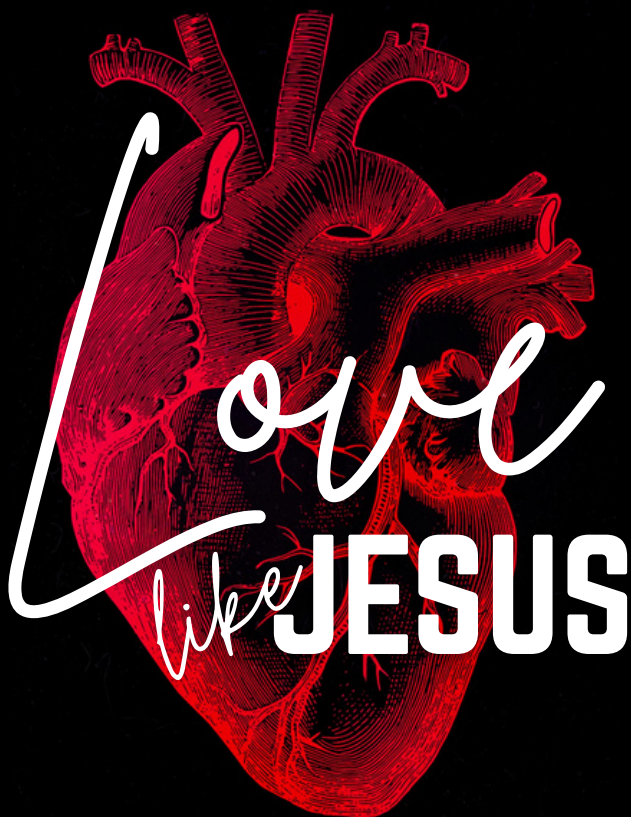




ADULT VERSION



Hey church family! We are excited to introduce our newest devotional booklet. These booklets are designed to complement our current sermon series and foster deeper engagement within our church community. Each week features five reading and devotional days, carefully crafted to align with the themes of our weekly Sunday sermons. By journeying through these devotions together, we aim to create a unified church experience that enhances our collective understanding and application of God's Word.

Each devotional includes a corresponding scripture reading and a scripture memory verse, encouraging us to immerse ourselves in God's Word daily. To guide our study, we will be using the H.E.A.R. method, which stands for Highlight, Explain, Apply, and Respond. This method is explained in detail on the next page and provides a structured approach to help us reflect on and internalize the scriptures.

Additionally, each week's devotionals are designed to lead into the coming Sunday sermon. This allows us the opportunity to think through common themes and topics that will be explored in the sermon. By studying these themes throughout the week, we can come to Sunday services with a deeper understanding and readiness to engage with the main study of the text.

Our hope is that this devotional booklet will not only deepen our personal faith but also strengthen our collective bond as a church family. By engaging with the same scriptures and themes, we can support and encourage one another in our spiritual growth. Let's embark on this journey together, seeking to grow closer to God and to each other through His Word.

Highlight ➤ Explain ➤ Apply ➤ Respond

The H.E.A.R. Method is a great tool to study and explore God's Word. Explained below, you can use this method as a guide to your daily Bible reading each day.

H Highlight – As you read through each daily passage, several verses and words will stand out to you. Highlight them and consider writing them out. You can even give them a title that holds meaning for you.

E Explain. Explain what the text means. Why was it written? To whom was it originally written? How does it fit with the verses before and after it? What does the Holy Spirit intend to communicate in this text?

A Apply. Write 2 to 5 sentences about how the text applies to your life. This bridges the gap between the ancient text and your modern life. Ask questions such as: How can this help me? What do these verses mean to us today? What would the application of this verse look like in my life? What is God saying to me?

R Respond. Respond to the passage you have read. Your response may take different forms and change from day to day, based on your reading. It may be a prayer, either for your life or on behalf of someone else. You may write down a specific action step you need to take. You might describe how the passage convicts you to change. Keep in mind that your response to scripture is about you and you alone, not other people or society at large.

THE FOUNDATION OF FELLOWSHIP

Scripture Reading: 1 John 1:1-10

Scripture Memory: 1 John 1:7

John reminds us that true fellowship with God begins with understanding who Jesus is—the Word of life revealed to humanity. The apostles saw Him, touched Him, and testified about Him so that others might also share in fellowship with God and His people. This fellowship isn't simply about shared interests or surface-level community; it's about being connected to the eternal life found in Christ. To walk with God, we must choose to live in His light, which exposes sin and draws us closer to His holiness. Fellowship with God cannot coexist with a life hidden in darkness. Yet John gives us hope: if we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. The Christian life isn't about pretending we're without sin—it's about acknowledging our weakness and relying on the cleansing power of Jesus' blood.

- What is one thing that you saw in today's passage that you can apply to your own life?
- In what areas of your life are you tempted to "walk in darkness" rather than be transparent before God?
- How does confession restore both your relationship with God and with others?

THE CALL TO WALK WORTHY

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 5:1–14

Scripture Memory: 1 John 1:7

Paul calls believers to imitate God as dearly loved children, walking in love just as Christ loved us and gave Himself up for us. Walking in the light isn't only about avoiding sin; it is about actively living in a way that reflects the sacrificial love of Jesus. Paul contrasts the works of darkness—sexual immorality, impurity, greed—with the fruit of living in the light. We are urged to expose darkness, not participate in it, because light transforms everything it touches.

Living as children of light is not passive. It requires vigilance, discernment, and courage to say no to what is empty and harmful. Paul says, “Wake up, sleeper, and rise up from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.” Walking in the light is both an awakening and a daily decision to let Christ's love shape our actions. When we choose light over darkness, we not only protect our own hearts but also become a beacon for others seeking truth.

- What is one thing that you saw in today's passage that you can apply to your own life?
- How can you imitate God's love in a practical way this week?
- What darkness might God be calling you to expose with His light?

FELLOWSHIP THROUGH OBEDIENCE

Scripture Reading: John 15:1-11

Scripture Memory: 1 John 1:7

Jesus uses the image of the vine and branches to show that fellowship with God is sustained by abiding in Him. Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own, neither can we thrive spiritually apart from Christ. Walking in the light is not simply about moral choices but about staying connected to the source of life. Obedience is the evidence of abiding, "If you keep my commands you will remain in my love." Fellowship flows out of that obedience, producing joy, fruit, and deeper intimacy with God. Yet Jesus warns that branches not remaining in Him wither and are thrown away. True fellowship with God is inseparable from dependence on Him. This dependence doesn't stifle us; it frees us to bear lasting fruit that glorifies the Father. His command to remain in His love through obedience protects us from spiritual decay and leads to fullness of joy. To walk in the light is to continually draw nourishment from Jesus, trusting His wisdom over our own.

- What is one thing that you saw in today's passage that you can apply to your own life?
- What practices help you "abide" in Christ each day?
- How does obedience strengthen your fellowship with God and others?

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LIGHT FOR THE JOURNEY

Scripture Reading: Psalm 119:97–112

Scripture Memory: 1 John 1:7

The psalmist delights in God's Word as the guiding light for life's journey. "Your word is a lamp for my feet and a light on my path." Walking in the light means walking according to God's Word, letting it shape decisions, values, and desires. The psalmist testifies that love for God's commands makes him wiser than his enemies and more understanding than his teachers. Fellowship with God grows as we meditate on His Word and allow it to renew our hearts. Without the light of Scripture, we stumble in darkness, vulnerable to sin and deception. But when God's Word is our delight, it anchors us in truth, even when life is difficult. The psalmist affirms his commitment: "I am resolved to obey your statutes to the very end." Fellowship with God is not built on fleeting emotions but on the steady commitment to walk in His revealed truth, trusting His Word as both shield and compass.

- What is one thing that you saw in today's passage that you can apply to your own life?
- How does Scripture currently shape your daily walk with God?
- What practical step can you take to let God's Word guide more of your decisions?

Highlight ➤ Explain ➤ Apply ➤ Respond

LIVING IN THE LIGHT OF FELLOWSHIP

Scripture Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:4–24

Scripture Memory: 1 John 1:7

Paul reminds the church that as followers of Christ, we are not in darkness but children of the light and of the day.

Therefore, we are called to stay awake, self-controlled, clothed in faith, love, and the hope of salvation. Walking in the light is a communal calling, where fellowship strengthens perseverance. Paul urges believers to encourage one another, build each other up, and live in peace with one another. Fellowship with God is not meant to be isolated; it is cultivated within the body of Christ.

The passage ends with a call to continual joy, prayer, and thanksgiving to keep us in step with God's Spirit. To walk in the light is to resist the apathy and chaos of darkness by clinging to the hope we have in Christ. God is faithful, Paul reminds us, and He will sanctify us completely.

- What is one thing that you saw in today's passage that you can apply to your own life?
- In what ways can you encourage and build up others in your church community this week?
- Which of Paul's final instructions (rejoice always, pray constantly, give thanks, etc.) do you need to emphasize more in your life?

WALKING AS JESUS WALKED

Scripture Reading: 1 John 2:1–11

Scripture Memory: 1 John 2:3

John reminds believers that Jesus is our advocate when we sin, but also calls us to obedience as proof of our relationship with God. The Christian life is not merely about avoiding sin but walking in the light, imitating Christ's love and character. When John says, "the one who says he remains in him should walk just as he walked" (v. 6), he highlights that obedience is not optional—it is the evidence of faith. Love and obedience are inseparable; we cannot claim to love God if we hate our brother or sister.

The challenge for us today is to evaluate our lives not by how much we "know" about Jesus but by how closely we live like Him. Do our actions reflect obedience to His commands? Do our relationships show His love? Walking in the light doesn't mean perfection, but a pattern of confession, growth, and love. To truly know Jesus is to let His Spirit shape our steps.

- What is one thing that you saw in today's passage that you can apply to your own life?
- In what areas of your life do you need to take a step closer to "walking as Jesus walked"?
- How does your obedience to God reflect the love of Christ to others?

THE CALL TO LOVE

Scripture Reading: John 14:15–24

Scripture Memory: 1 John 2:3

Jesus makes obedience very clear: “If you love me, you will keep my commands.” Love for Christ is not proven by feelings or words but by actions. He promises the Holy Spirit as our Helper, empowering us to live out His commands. Obedience is not a burden but a sign of relationship, rooted in love and sustained by the Spirit’s presence. When we obey, God’s love is revealed in us, and we experience a deeper fellowship with Him.

This means our Christian walk is more than moral effort; it’s a partnership with the Spirit of God. Obedience flows naturally when love drives us. Consider how children obey parents out of trust and love—so too should believers respond to their Heavenly Father. When obedience feels difficult, it is often because we’ve lost sight of love.

Returning to the cross reminds us that our obedience is a joyful response to His sacrifice.

- What is one thing that you saw in today’s passage that you can apply to your own life?
- How do you connect your love for God with your daily obedience?
- What role does the Holy Spirit play in helping you keep Christ’s commands?

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WARNING AGAINST THE WORLD

Scripture Reading: 1 John 2:15–17

Scripture Memory: 1 John 2:3

John warns believers not to love the world or the things in it. This is not about enjoying creation but about setting our hearts on desires, possessions, or pride that compete with God. The pull of the world is temporary and deceptive—it promises satisfaction but leaves us empty. In contrast, obedience to God leads to eternal life. The world is passing away, but the one who does God's will remains forever. Every day, believers face the tension between cultural pressures and God's truth. The temptation to pursue status, wealth, or pleasure above obedience is strong, but fleeting. As disciples, we must guard our hearts by aligning our priorities with God's will. Our obedience reveals where our true loyalty lies. Choosing Christ over the world isn't easy, but it is the only path that leads to lasting fulfillment.

- What is one thing that you saw in today's passage that you can apply to your own life?
- What worldly desires most compete for your heart's attention and obedience to God?
- How does remembering eternity help you resist the pull of the world?

LOVING ONE ANOTHER

Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 13:1–13

Scripture Memory: 1 John 2:3

Paul reminds us that love is greater than any spiritual gift, knowledge, or sacrifice. Without love, all obedience and service become meaningless noise. Love is patient, kind, selfless, and enduring. This chapter calls us to examine whether our obedience is motivated by love for God and others or by pride and obligation. True obedience grows out of love, just as true love expresses itself in obedience. When we love others, we reflect the character of Christ, who perfectly fulfilled God's law through love. Obedience without love can become cold legalism, but love without obedience becomes shallow sentiment. God calls us to hold both together. Our greatest testimony to the world is not simply right doctrine but the visible demonstration of Christlike love. When we obey God in love, we display His heart to a watching world.

- What is one thing that you saw in today's passage that you can apply to your own life?
- How can you better ensure that your acts of obedience flow from genuine love?
- What practical ways can you show Christlike love to those around you this week?

CHOOSING OBEDIENCE OVER CONFORMITY

Scripture Reading: Romans 12:1-8

Scripture Memory: 1 John 2:3

Paul urges believers to present their bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God. This is our true worship—offering ourselves fully to God in obedience. He warns against being conformed to the patterns of this world, instead calling us to be transformed by the renewing of our minds. Through this, we discern God’s will—what is good, pleasing, and perfect. Obedience is not about blending into the world but about living distinctly for Christ. Obedience transforms every part of life: how we use our gifts, how we serve others, and how we think. To obey God is to continually surrender our will and desires, trusting that His way is better. It is costly but also deeply rewarding, shaping us into the likeness of Christ. Our daily decisions to obey or conform reveal whose voice we follow. Let us choose obedience that glorifies God and strengthens the body of Christ.

- What is one thing that you saw in today’s passage that you can apply to your own life?
- What does it mean for you to live as a “living sacrifice” in your current season of life?
- In what specific ways can you resist conformity to the world and pursue obedience to God?

Highlight ➤ Explain ➤ Apply ➤ Respond

GOD'S GREAT LOVE FOR HIS CHILDREN

Scripture Reading: 1 John 3:1–24

Scripture Memory: 1 John 3:1

Being called “children of God” is not just a title, it’s an identity that changes everything about our lives. In 1 John 3, John reminds us that God’s love has been lavished on us so generously that we are His children right now—not just someday in the future. This love is what sets us apart from the world, and it’s why those who don’t know God often can’t understand our way of living. As His children, we are called to live in righteousness, to reject sin, and to pursue holiness as a reflection of our Father’s nature. God’s seed remains in us, guiding us into obedience, righteousness, and love. This passage challenges us to examine how we live each day. While we still wrestle with sin, our lives should be marked by a growing pattern of righteousness, not lawlessness. This isn’t about perfection but about transformation. To be God’s child is to live in His love and to let that love direct our steps.

- What is one thing that you saw in today’s passage that you can apply to your own life?
- How does knowing you are a child of God reshape the way you view yourself and your struggles with sin?
- In what areas of your life do you need to let God’s righteousness shine more clearly?

LED BY THE SPIRIT

Scripture Reading: Romans 8:12-17

Scripture Memory: 1 John 3:1

Paul writes that those who belong to Christ are no longer slaves to fear but are adopted as God's children, crying out "Abba, Father." This adoption is both intimate and powerful—it means that the Spirit of God lives in us, guiding us to live differently. We no longer follow the patterns of sin that once defined us; instead, we are led by the Spirit into holiness. Being God's child means sharing not only in His blessings but also in the sufferings of Christ, because our identity is rooted in Him. This truth should give us both assurance and responsibility. Assurance, because nothing can take away our status as God's children. Responsibility, because being led by the Spirit requires obedience and surrender to God's direction. Our lives should increasingly look different from the world because the Spirit is shaping us from the inside out. As His children, we live with the confident hope of an eternal inheritance, knowing that our present obedience connects us to our future glory.

- What is one thing that you saw in today's passage that you can apply to your own life?
- In what ways have you experienced the Spirit leading you as a child of God?
- How does adoption into God's family impact the way you face fear or uncertainty?

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GOD'S LOVE FOR THE LOST

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 5:6–14

Scripture Memory: 1 John 3:1

We look once again at how Paul reminds believers that we are no longer in darkness but are now light in the Lord. As children of light, we are called to walk in goodness, righteousness, and truth. Our lives should expose what is false and reflect what is true, not because we are perfect, but because God's light shines through us. We are to wake up from spiritual sleep and live awake to the reality of Christ's presence and His coming kingdom. Living as children of light requires intentional choices. It means resisting the empty promises of the world and instead seeking what pleases the Lord. This way of life may set us apart and even make us misunderstood, but it also allows others to see God's truth more clearly through us. We don't live as children of light in our own strength; rather, the Spirit equips us to walk in holiness and bear fruit that honors our Father.

- What is one thing that you saw in today's passage that you can apply to your own life?
- What "darkness" do you need to expose or leave behind in order to walk more fully as a child of light?
- How can your daily life reflect the goodness, righteousness, and truth of Christ more clearly?

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IMITATING THE FATHER'S HOLINESS

Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 1:13–19

Scripture Memory: 1 John 3:1

Peter calls us to prepare our minds for action, to be sober-minded, and to set our hope fully on God's grace. As obedient children, we are to imitate the holiness of our Father. Just as God is holy, we are called to be holy in all that we do. This is not about following a set of rules, but about reflecting the character of the One who redeemed us with the precious blood of Christ. We have been purchased at a great cost, and that should shape the way we live. Holiness is about setting ourselves apart for God. It means living with reverence, gratitude, and obedience, knowing that our Father has freed us from our former way of life. As children of God, our conduct should point others back to the One who rescued us. The call to holiness is both challenging and freeing—it challenges us to live differently but frees us to live in the fullness of our new identity in Christ.

- What is one thing that you saw in today's passage that you can apply to your own life?
- What does it mean for you personally to be "holy in all your conduct"?
- How does remembering the cost of Christ's sacrifice motivate your obedience as God's child?

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REFLECTING THE FATHER'S LOVE

Scripture Reading: John 13:31–35

Scripture Memory: 1 John 3:1

When Jesus told His disciples He was leaving them, He gave them a new command: to love one another as He had loved them. By this love, the world would know they were His disciples. Jesus promised not to leave them as orphans but to send the Spirit, who would make His presence known in them. As children of God, our defining characteristic should be love—a love that mirrors the Father's heart and reveals the presence of Jesus in us. This love is not sentimental; it is sacrificial and active. It calls us to lay down pride, selfishness, and bitterness and instead to forgive, serve, and build up others. When we love as God loves, we demonstrate to the world that we belong to Him. Our identity as children of God is best displayed through love that is patient, kind, and enduring, because it reflects the very heart of our Father.

- What is one thing that you saw in today's passage that you can apply to your own life?
- How can you show the Father's love to someone who is difficult for you to love?
- In what ways does your love for others serve as evidence that you belong to God's family?

GOD IS LOVE

Scripture Reading: 1 John 4:7-21

Scripture Memory: 1 John 4:18

John reminds us that God Himself is the very definition of love. True love originates from Him, and anyone who claims to belong to Him must reflect that love in their words, actions, and relationships. Love is not just a warm feeling but a sacrificial commitment rooted in God's own character. The greatest proof of God's love is the sending of His Son, Jesus Christ, as the atonement for our sins. When we love one another, God's presence is made visible and His Spirit confirms His work in us. Authentic love is not rooted in fear or selfishness but in God's perfect love. If we live in God's love, we can have confidence even in the face of judgment. Our fear of punishment is replaced with assurance of salvation. To claim love for God but withhold love from people is to contradict the very heart of the gospel.

- What is one thing that you saw in today's passage that you can apply to your own life?
- In what ways has God's perfect love freed you from fear in your life?
- How can you better reflect God's love to someone you may struggle to love?

TESTING THE SPIRITS

Scripture Reading: 1 John 4:1–6

Scripture Memory: 1 John 4:18

The Apostle John warns us that not every spiritual voice or message comes from God. False prophets, spiritual counterfeits, and deceptive ideologies exist in the world, and believers must discern truth from error. The way to test the spirits is by holding everything up to the truth of Jesus Christ. Does the teaching confess Christ as Lord, fully God and fully man, come in the flesh? If it denies Him, it is not from God. God's Spirit will never contradict God's Word. In today's world, many voices claim to speak truth through media, politics, philosophy, and even religion. But only God's Spirit affirms the reality of Christ's victory and His presence in us. Because of Christ, we do not need to be intimidated. John assures us that "the One who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world." Discernment is not about suspicion but about clinging to Christ, walking closely with Him, and measuring all things by His Word.

- What is one thing that you saw in today's passage that you can apply to your own life?
- What are some "voices" in your life that you need to test against Scripture?
- How can you grow in discernment without becoming judgmental?

GOD'S LOVE POURED OUT

Scripture Reading: Romans 5:1-11

Scripture Memory: 1 John 4:18

Paul writes that through Christ, we have peace with God, even in the midst of trials. God's love is not abstract; it has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit.

This means His love is an active presence within us, transforming how we see suffering, perseverance, and hope. Even while we were powerless and undeserving, Christ died for us—demonstrating the ultimate picture of sacrificial love. Because of this, we no longer need to fear God's wrath. Instead, we are reconciled, made right, and brought into fellowship with Him. The enemy may accuse us, and circumstances may try to crush us, but God's love assures us that He has already won. His perfect love casts out fear, not because life is without hardship, but because we know the One who holds us is faithful. God's love is not seasonal or conditional—it is eternal, proven on the cross, and applied daily by His Spirit.

- What is one thing that you saw in today's passage that you can apply to your own life?
- How does knowing God's love was poured out when you were powerless shape your confidence today?
- In what ways can you lean into God's love when you face trials?

SHINE LIKE STARS

Scripture Reading: **Philippians 2:14–16**

Scripture Memory: **1 John 4:18**

Paul challenges us to live differently from the world around us. He reminds us to do everything without grumbling or arguing so that our lives reflect the character of Christ. In a world filled with negativity, complaints, and selfishness, Christians are called to live as “blameless and pure, children of God.” This doesn’t mean we’re perfect, but it does mean our lives should stand out as different—showing God’s light in a dark world. Paul gives us a powerful image: we “shine like stars in the world.” Stars stand out against the night sky, guiding travelers and drawing attention upward. In the same way, when we live with joy, integrity, and love, we reflect God’s presence to those around us. How do we do this? By “holding firm to the word of life.” God’s Word keeps us grounded in truth, helps us test the spirits, and ensures that our love and actions are rooted in Him.

- What is one thing that you saw in today’s passage that you can apply to your own life?
- Where in your life do you find yourself most tempted to grumble or argue, and how can God help you respond differently?
- What’s one way you can “shine like a star” for Christ in your workplace, home, or community?

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LIVING BY THE SPIRIT

Scripture Reading: Galatians 5:22–26

Scripture Memory: 1 John 4:18

Paul gives us a beautiful picture of what life looks like when we live by the Holy Spirit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Notice that love is listed first—because love is the root of all the other fruit. When God’s perfect love fills us, it shows up in how we speak, act, and respond to others. Love is not just a feeling; it is evidence that God’s Spirit is alive and working in us. But Paul also warns us not to become arrogant or provoke one another. Testing the spirits includes testing our own hearts: Are we living by the Spirit or by our selfish desires? Walking in step with the Spirit means letting God’s love shape our words and actions, even when it’s not easy. When we live this way, we reflect Christ to the world and become living witnesses of His perfect love.

- What is one thing that you saw in today’s passage that you can apply to your own life?
- Which “fruit of the Spirit” do you see growing most in your life right now? Which one do you want to grow more?
- How can you make sure you’re “keeping in step with the Spirit” this week?

THE TESTIMONY OF GOD'S SON

Scripture Reading: 1 John 5:1–21

Scripture Memory: 1 John 5:13

Faith in Jesus Christ is not just a hopeful wish—it is the very foundation of eternal life. John reminds believers that to believe in Jesus as the Son of God is to be born of God. This new birth brings victory over the world, because our faith anchors us in Christ's finished work. God Himself gives testimony to His Son through the Spirit, the water, and the blood, affirming that eternal life is found only in Him. Those who believe in Christ hold this testimony in their hearts, and those who reject Him reject the truth of God's own witness. John's words encourage us to live with confidence because our eternal life does not depend on feelings or performance but on the trustworthiness of God's promise. This passage calls us to rest in the assurance that eternal life is not something we might receive later—it is already given in Christ. John states clearly, "The one who has the Son has life." If you believe in Jesus, you can walk today in the peace that comes from knowing your future is secure.

- What is one thing that you saw in today's passage that you can apply to your own life?
- What is your main motivation for fasting, and how can you keep your focus on God?
- How might fasting help you become more aware of God's presence and your need for Him?

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THE GIFT OF GRACE

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 2:4–10

Scripture Memory: 1 John 5:13

Faith in the Son of God reminds us that salvation is never earned but freely given by God's grace. Paul emphasizes that we were once dead in our sins, unable to rescue ourselves, but God, in His great love, made us alive with Christ. This truth anchors our assurance: eternal life is not fragile, dependent on our works, but firmly secured by God's mercy. We are saved by grace through faith, and this is not from ourselves—it is the gift of God. When life feels shaky, it is easy to think we must do more to “keep” our salvation. Yet Paul's words remind us that our salvation rests fully in Christ's sacrifice and God's unchanging love. Our good works flow out of this gift, not as a condition for it. Living with this assurance transforms how we view obedience—it becomes an act of gratitude rather than fear. We walk in confidence, knowing that eternal life is secured not by what we do but by what Christ has already accomplished.

- What is one thing that you saw in today's passage that you can apply to your own life?
- How does understanding salvation as a gift from God change how you live each day?
- What good works in your life can flow naturally out of gratitude for God's grace?

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UNSHAKABLE CONFIDENCE

Scripture Reading: Romans 8:31–39

Scripture Memory: 1 John 5:13

Paul reminds us that nothing in creation has the power to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. If God is for us, who can be against us? Assurance of eternal life rests in this truth: the same God who did not spare His own Son but gave Him up for us all will also graciously give us all things. This passage lifts our eyes from fear and places them firmly on Christ, our eternal security. The world, and even our own hearts, may sometimes accuse us, but Paul assures us that Christ is the One who intercedes for us. His victory over sin and death is complete, and no hardship, persecution, or trial can undo His saving work. Our faith in the Son of God gives us boldness, not because of our strength, but because of His unfailing love. We can face today and eternity with confidence, declaring with Paul: “In all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.”

- What is one thing that you saw in today’s passage that you can apply to your own life?
- What fears about the future do you need to release into God’s hands?
- How does Christ’s intercession for you strengthen your confidence in eternal life?

THE LIVING HOPE

Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 1:3–9

Scripture Memory: 1 John 5:13

Peter points believers to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. Eternal life is not a vague promise—it is a living, vibrant reality grounded in the risen Savior. Through faith in the Son of God, we are given an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for us. This assurance is not subject to the decay of this world but is securely guarded by God's power. Even when trials come, Peter reminds us that they refine our faith like gold tested by fire. Instead of weakening us, these trials prove the genuineness of our trust in Christ, resulting in praise, glory, and honor when He is revealed. Though we have not seen Him, we love Him; though we do not see Him now, we rejoice with inexpressible joy because the end result of our faith is the salvation of our souls. Assurance of eternal life allows us to endure present struggles with hope that cannot be shaken.

- What is one thing that you saw in today's passage that you can apply to your own life?
- How does knowing your eternal inheritance is secure impact how you handle trials?
- What practices help you rejoice in Christ even when life feels uncertain?

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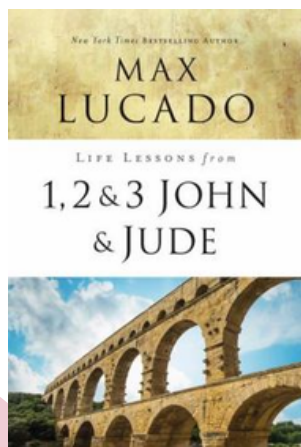
Scripture Reading: John 10:22–30

Scripture Memory: 1 John 5:13

Jesus makes a powerful claim: His sheep hear His voice, He knows them, and they follow Him. To those who belong to Him, He gives eternal life, and no one will snatch them out of His hand. Our assurance rests in this unbreakable promise. Eternal life is not temporary or conditional; it is secured by the authority of Christ, who is one with the Father. This passage gives us profound confidence. We may face doubts or spiritual battles, but the hands that hold the universe are the same hands that hold us securely. Eternal life is not about clinging tightly to God out of fear, but about trusting that He is holding tightly to us. The Father's love and Jesus' saving work ensure that nothing—not death, not the enemy, not our own weakness—can remove us from His care. We are His sheep, safe in His fold, and our future is eternally secure in Him.

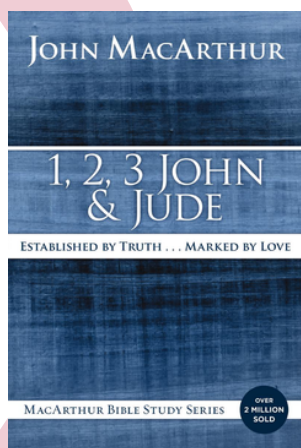
- What is one thing that you saw in today's passage that you can apply to your own life?
- How does Jesus' promise that no one can snatch you from His hand bring peace to your daily life?
- What does it mean to you personally to be known by the Good Shepherd?

Highlight ➤ Explain ➤ Apply ➤ Respond



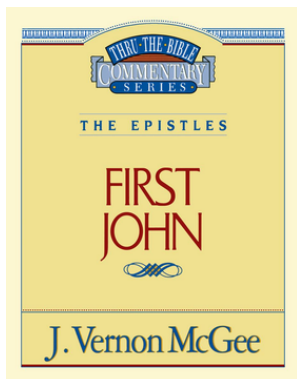
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