



Blessed Assurance - How We Know Truth From Falsehood - 1 John 2:18-27, 4:1-6

Discussion Questions:

1. Read 1 John 2:18. How do we know that it is the last hour? Aren't we in a long "last hour?" (2 Peter 3:8) What is the difference between the Antichrist who will come and those antichrists who are present now?
2. What were the three characteristics of false teachers that we were taught? Read 1 John 2:19. What is a false teacher's relationship with the church? Does being a part of a local church mean that we are a part of "the church?"
3. Read 1 John 2:20-23 and 1 John 4:1-3. Why would false teachers abandon the church? What is the foundational question of the Christian faith? What are the vital parts of this answer that true believers must agree with?
4. Read 1 John 2:24-27. How can we be deceived by false teachers? How can we be sure to not be deceived? How can we test the beliefs/teachings of anyone against the truth? How do we need to pay careful attention to whom we listen to and to whose teaching we follow?

Reflection Questions:

1. How can satan do his greatest damage to the church from inside of it? How can we make sure to avoid him doing work in our church?