



SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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- 1) Begin your time by briefly praying and asking the Holy Spirit to help you as you discuss and study.
- 2) Read 1 John 2:15-17 together.
- 3) What stuck out to you as you read? Is there anything you don't understand? Is there anything you'd like to discuss?
- 4) Why might it be shocking to some to hear that God hates certain things? Why is it important for us not to lose sight of this hatred?
- 5) Why is it important to reflect on what we have in Christ, as John does in this section?
- 6) In what sense do believers have victory over the evil one? How does this give you encouragement and hope?
- 7) What are some ways that worldliness is often misunderstood? How should we understand worldliness, biblically?
- 8) What are some things we need as God's image-bearers that the world cannot provide?
- 9) What are some things that the world promises to provide but cannot?
- 10) Spend some time reflecting on the lusts of the flesh, the desires of the eyes, and pride in possessions. Are there any areas in your life where these temptations are waging war?
- 11) How does Jesus set an example for how to resist each of these temptations?
- 12) John argues that the pleasures of this world are fleeting. How do you see this in today's culture? In your own life?
- 13) How does increasing our love for God help defeat these sinful desires?

14) End your time in prayer. Ask God to help you apply the things you've discussed and learned during this time of study.

* Some of these questions taken from, Daniel L. Akin, *Exalting Jesus in 1,2,3 John* (Nashville, TN: Holman Reference, 2014).