- 1) Begin your time by briefly praying and asking the Holy Spirit to help you as you discuss and study.
- 2) Read 1 John 3:4-10 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) How does John define sin? How does a biblical understanding of sin help us understand the gospel rightly?
- 5) How does Christ's person (who He is) qualify Him to deal with sin?
- 6) Why do Christians still sin given verse 6?
- 7) How does Jesus' work destroy the Devil's work?
- 8) What is the connection between the Devil's work and personal holiness? How is sin contrary to Christ's work?
- 9) Why is external holiness a mark of regeneration if the new birth is a work in our hearts?
- 10) How are righteousness and love related? Are these virtues choices we make or natural results of holiness?
- 11) End your time in prayer. Ask God to help you apply the things you've discussed and learned during this time of study.

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