



Week 3 Message-Based Curriculum

Text: 1 John 2:18-27

Opening

- Begin with a **brief welcome and prayer** to set the tone for the group time.
- **Introduce the theme:** In uncertain times, the way to assurance isn't to predict the future but to remain in Jesus, the Christ. Don't quit now—abide.

Discussion Questions

CONNECT

- Share a time when you wanted to quit—on a hike, a project, or a habit. What kept you moving?
- What's a cultural message that sounds 95% right but has a twist that worries you?

DISCOVER

Read 1 John 2:18-27 together

(Optionally add John 15:4, 9–11 for connection to Jesus' teaching.)

- In verse 19, John says some “went out from us.” What does that reveal about the challenge of remaining faithful in uncertain times?
- What are some modern beliefs or influences that pull people away from trusting Jesus as the Christ? How do they sound convincing at first?
- How does John encourage believers to stay rooted when faith feels unclear or unpopular?
- What do verses 24–25 promise to those who remain in Jesus? How might that bring assurance to you today?

APPLY

- Where do you feel most tempted to drift from Jesus right now—through distraction, disappointment, or doubt?
- What helps you personally remain connected to Jesus when you feel tired or uncertain?
- What would it look like to remain in Jesus in your real schedule this week? (Think about work, school, or relationships.)
- Who in your life helps you remain rooted in truth? How can you intentionally involve them this week?

- What's one small, concrete step you can take before next week to stay close to Jesus when life feels shaky?
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GROUP PRAYER

Invite everyone to pray aloud using short prompts:

- **Assurance:** "Spirit, assure us that we belong to You."
- **Endurance:** "Jesus, You haven't quit on us—help us not quit on You."
- **Truth:** "Father, anchor us in the confession that Jesus is the Christ."

(Optional) **Communion Moment:** If your group practices communion, frame it as a reminder that *He remains*—and invite the prayer: "Jesus, I remain in You."

CLOSING

- Re-read 1 John 2:24–25 together and remind the group: *Assurance grows not by predicting the future, but by remaining in Jesus today.*
- Preview next week's passage: **1 John 2:28–3:10.**