



Series How Can You Be Sure?

Passage 1 John 2:15-27

Title Avoiding Antichrists – Following the Real Jesus

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Discussion Starter – In what way do you see differences and similarities between the Antichrist and antichrists? Explain. What are some of the ways you see the manifestation and effects of the antichrists in your life?

Warning Not to Love the World (1 John 2:15-17)

- What is the purpose of John's warning not to love the world or the things in the world? How do the world and the things in the world differ? Read Genesis 3:6 and James 4:1-4. Discuss how these verses add additional insights to this warning.
- What mindset is John encouraging the Christian readers to have in reference to the world that is passing away? How does this practically apply to us as Christians today?

The Antichrist (1 John 2:18a)

- What are the four revealing characteristics or events mentioned in the sermon that identify the Antichrist? Read Daniel 8:23-26, Revelation 13:1-18 and Revelation 17:1-18. Discuss how these references validate the four revealing characteristics and events mentioned in the sermon.

Warnings of the many mini antichrists (1 John 2:18b-19)

- Where does John say the many mini antichrists come from? Why is this important? Is this the only place where mini antichrists come from? Read Mark 13:22-23. Discuss insights gained from this passage.
- How do false teachers manifest themselves today? What are some of the tactics they use to get people to follow them? Read 2 Timothy 4:3-4 and Matthew 16:4. What do these scriptures reveal about the motives and reasons these false teachers are able to exist?

Anointing from God (1 John 2:20-27)

- Where does this anointing of God come from? Who are those who receive it? What does this anointing enable us to do as Christians?
- Read John 16:13-14, John 3:3. How do these verses speak to the identification of false teachings going on in the church today and the purpose of the anointing for the child of God?