

About the Series: In a dark world, God is light. In a cold world, God brings love. In a dying world, God brings life. In this study of John's first letter, you will learn what it means to be in fellowship with God and see that growing more intimately close to Him builds up a confident faith that will allow you to be unshakeable in times of uncertainties.

PART 3 Debunking the Lies

1 John 2:18-27 | Dr. Stephen G. Tan

Discussion Questions

- 1. Aside from eternal life that Christ gave you when you received Him as your Savior, what are the other blessings of being His child?
- 2. Read 1 John 2:18-27 and discuss the following points about how you can build up a confident, unshakeable faith even amidst deceivers and false teachers who try to plant doubts in your mind regarding biblical truths.

Christians need to be discerning with the help of the Holy Spirit because deceivers use subtlety and familiarity to mislead (v. 18-21). What good do warnings do in medicines and appliances, or even with people? What warning did John give to Christians? What groups of people are trying to lead Christians away from Christ and the truths of the Bible nowadays? How can you protect yourself from these deceivers and false teachers? What were Jesus' words in John 14:6 and John 16:13 that should encourage you to live a Spirit-filled life daily?

Christians need to know what they believe about the Jesus Christ of the Bible in order to differentiate the real Savior and the imposters (v. 22-23). Why does Satan always center his main attack on the person of Jesus Christ and on what He did for you on the cross?

What do the false teachers teach about the person of Jesus Christ, which is definitely not based on the truth of the Bible? What important truths do you know about Jesus Christ?

Christians should regularly remind themselves of biblical truths to counteract the doubts and lies deceivers try to propagate (v. 24-27). What makes Christians doubt Christ and their salvation? What encouragement did John give to his readers in verse 25 that resonates with what Jesus Himself said in John 3:36? Why is it important to make the decision to believe now in the Lord Jesus Christ as your Savior instead of waiting or focusing on something else before making the decision to believe in Him? What important facts about biblical truths should you regularly remind yourself so that you will not be swayed by doubts and lies propagated by deceivers?

Reflect & Respond

What is better than to have the sure hope and certainty of salvation and eternal life in Jesus Christ? How would you allow the Holy Spirit to help you discern when you are in doubt of what to believe and differentiate between the real Savior and the imposters? What steps do you need to take or is there anything you need to do to keep yourself grounded in the Word of God?

Prayer

Heavenly Father, I am often bombarded with many things especially from social media that may plant seeds of doubt in my mind about my Savior, Jesus Christ. Please help me to be discerning on what I should be reading, believing, and applying in my life. May You protect me from all the evilness of this world and give me the desire to saturate my mind with the truths that Your Word provides. I pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.