



2/21 - Small Group Questions

Week 24: Self-Control

Read I John 2:12-17

1. What does John intend us to understand by using different levels of physical maturity to describe believers?
2. Where are you on the maturity level? Why? What defines the levels of spiritual maturity listed according to John?
3. What does John mean by "the world" in verse 15? Didn't he create the cosmos and call it good? Did not God so love the world that He sent his only son?
4. What is the lust of the flesh? (hint: its not just sexual in nature) What is the lust of the eye?
5. What is meant by the pride of life?
6. John is teaching that all sin would fall into one of these categories. These things are not from the Father, therefore the Father would never use them in dealing with us. Therefore, how should we respond when we find ourselves involved with one of them?
7. How does it encourage us to know that the world is "passing away"? Since the world is passing away, why would we want to invest in it?
8. Where does Jesus tell us to invest? (Matthew 6:19-21) Are you? How?