

prayer requests

Share prayer requests with the small group. Ask someone to take notes and share the requests with group members after the meeting.

study notes



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Sermon Study

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1 John 2:1-6

vision

Eastview
Christian
Church is a
fearless church
of Christ
followers whose
ridiculous love
and dangerous
witness are
irresistible.



*Eastview Christian Church small groups provide the optimal environment for the life change Jesus Christ intends for every person. Our groups typically have 8-14 people who **GATHER** together (Hebrews 10:24-25), **GROW** to be more Christ-like (Romans 12:1-2; 1 Peter 1:14-16), **GIVE** of themselves in various ways (1 Corinthians 12:12-27; Ephesians 4:11-16), and **GO** on to impact the world around them (Matthew 28:19).*

Gather (your group getting to know each other)

1 What does it mean to be a Christ-follower?

2. How would you feel/react if someone started a conversation by addressing you as "little children?" Why do you think Paul did this in verse 1?

Go
(your group on mission)

How can you help others walk as Jesus did?

Grow (your group growing as Christ-followers)

Have someone read 1 John 2:1-6.

Invite someone in the group to pray for the discussion and time in God's Word.

Discuss

1. What stood out to you from this week's sermon and passage?

2. How does our understanding or lack of understanding of who Jesus is and what He does for us (vv 1-2) affect how we handle our own sin?

3. We read in verse 2 that Jesus is our advocate and defender before God as Judge. Who is our constant accuser? How does Jesus Christ advocate and defend us?

4. What do you understand propitiation to mean? Consider the "Day of Atonement" in the Old Testament. Have someone read Leviticus 16:34. Discuss as a group the similarities between atonement and propitiation.

5. Why does understanding and placing trust in Jesus as the propitiation for our sins matter so much?

6. If Jesus is the propitiation for both our sins and the sins of the whole world, what are the types of lies believed by the world that make salvation impossible?

7. Discuss as a group the significance of the connection between obedience to God and knowing God. How have you seen this connection lived out in your own life or in those around you?

8. How can we walk as Jesus walked? Share specific examples.

Give
(your group serving each other)

Pray as a group for increased trust in Jesus and discernment in identifying God's truth from the world's lies.