

Small Group Guide

Various Passages

From the sermon - #TYMK17



Little children, keep yourselves from idols.

1 John 5:21

Discuss

1. Where do you see the most darkness around you? 1 John 1:5-7 explains that God is light and there is no darkness in Him. How do you ensure that you are walking in His light?
2. What is the danger in chasing the darkness of a seemingly harmless shadow? Can you still stumble even though the lights are not completely out? Why is it so important not to chase even the little shadows in life?
3. But sometimes we may stumble. Read 1 John 2:1-3. What hope do these verses bring you in your struggle against darkness?
4. Read the Gospel of John 12:46 and discuss how believing in Christ brings us out of darkness.
5. What is the importance of staying on guard against idols? (1 John 5:21)
6. The Gospel of John 17:12 speaks of how Christ guarded His disciples. Even though your actions are your responsibility, Christ still guards you from sin. How have you seen this happen in your life?

Pray

Pray for yourself that you stay on guard against sin. Pray also for others that they do the same. Be specific in the sins you list and the people you pray for.

Do

1. Ask God to reveal to you the "shadows" you are chasing.
2. Write these "shadows" down so you can physically see them.
3. Pray that God takes the desire to chase these "shadows" away from you.
4. Make an action plan that will guard you from these "shadows".

Next small group meets the week of November 11th