



BIG IDEA

Does it sound too good to be true? Does it sound like an impossibility that there is a way to overcome your fears, doubts, struggles, and depressions, that it's possible to find the joy you long for, the hope you wish to be true, and the life that you've been struggling to find?

THOUGHTS FROM THE SERMON

1. What stood out to you in this week's sermon? What were your biggest takeaways?

Read: 1 John 5:1-12

2. Is this important theological truth that being born of God causes us to believe in Jesus a new concept for you? What is the significance of this order of salvation?
3. What is moral commitment and what is the expectation for those who claim to love God? What evidence in your life shows your genuine love for God?

Read: 1 John 5:1-3

4. Those who believe in Jesus have received the testimony of God. What is God's testimony and how does it give us hope?

Read: 1 John 5:6-12

5. How does this passage encourage us in the midst of our fears, doubts, struggles, and depressions? What does this say about our own efforts?
6. As you reflect on your life, what do you need to claim victory over in your past or in your present?
7. Because God's testimony gives us hope, how will you create opportunities to share God's testimony with unbelievers this week?
8. In light of this truth, what can you be praying for this week?

NOTES

JUST FOR YOU

1. What has God shown you as you studied his word this week?
2. Why is there such value in reading and understanding the scriptures we looked at this week?
3. What points in the message encouraged you and gave you hope?
4. How will you personally apply what you learned from the sermon to your life?
5. How is your living proving or disproving what you say you believe?

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Pray: That God's testimony would be revealed to unbelievers so that they can overcome their fears, doubts, struggles and depressions.

Read: Read John 3:1-21 in light of this passage. Does 1 John 1-12 add more context to Jesus' conversation with Nicodemus?

Write: Take time to write down your thoughts and insights from the sermon this week. Keeping a journal is just one more tool that you can use to track what God is showing you in your walk with him. Consider writing in questions for the podcast on the Gateway Church app.

Sing: Listen to the worship songs from Sunday throughout the week. Look up the lyrics to each song and spend some time reading them as well.

Memorize: As a Life Group, pick a few verses from the sermon and memorize them this week. (Check out the read section for options)

Love: Share this message of hope with someone you love.