

## **Sermon Questions for Life Groups, Individuals, and Accountability Groups**

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*Comfort the Afflicted and Afflict the Comfortable*

1 John 2:3–6

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### CONNECT:

- What area in your life is the most difficult to give up control? Time, talent, money, sexual decisions, agenda, or priorities and values? Why?

### GROW:

- Why is it so difficult to give up control in all aspects of our lives? In other words, do we surrender some things and hold other things back? What excuses can we make while we do this?
- Is it possible to obey Jesus' commands fully if we are not abiding in Him continuously? What does abiding in Christ mean? What does it look like in your daily life?
- It is possible to serve the body of Christ, even lead, while not truly knowing Jesus? (Judas was our example this week.) What do you need to do to be able to spot teachings from false teachers?
- If we are abiding in Christ, and obeying His commands, we will bear much fruit. We are warned in this week's sermon that we are to evaluate our own relationship with Christ and our own fruit. What is the danger of inspecting someone else's fruit?

### GO:

- Explain the difference/relationship between salvation and works as if doing so to a new believer.