

Sermon Questions for Life Groups, Individuals, and Accountability Groups

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Scripture Is the Test by Which All Else Is to Be Measured

1 John 4:1–6

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CONNECT

- What sorts of measuring standards does our culture use for making decisions?

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- Read 1 John 4:1–6. What danger does John warn against? How dangerous is this? Please explain.
- What are some characteristics of a false prophet (see 2 Timothy 4:3; 1 Kings 22:5–23)? What will a false prophet aim to do, and how does love of the world (living for what is here in this life, versus living for God) tie into this? Where will a false prophet entice others to put their hope?
- How does the church in Berea, Macedonia, handle Paul's teaching (Acts 17:11)? What does this teach us about the authority of God's Word? What does it mean that God's Word is our final authority? In our culture, what competes against God's Word as final authority?
- Why must we be so vigilant (1 Peter 5:8; 2 Corinthians 11:14–15a; Jeremiah 17:9)?
- What reasons do people give for not being committed to a local church? Why is it necessary to be connected well to a local church (and extremely dangerous not to be)? How central is the assembly of fellow believers in your life?

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- What is your next step in keeping God's Word and His Bride (the Church) central in your own life?