Discussion Guide

11/8/26

1 John 1:1-2 Part 2

1. When you hear the phrase “Relentless Love” what comes to mind and why?
2. What do you remember from last week’s sermon? How has this helped in your pursuit of Christ in the last week and why?
3. What stood out to you in this week’s sermon and why?
4. Why is it important to understand what heretical teaching existed during John’s time of writing and during our time of living? Are they the same or different? Why or why not?
5. Discuss Gnosticism and philosophical dualism. Why are these teachings heretical?
6. Why is it most loving in certain circumstances to tell people what they do not want to hear?
7. What is the prosperity gospel? Why is it heretical? Will this knowledge change the way you act, think or speak this week? Why or why not? (1 Timothy 6:5–10; Luke 12:15; Matthew 6:19–21)
8. What is the self-help gospel? Why is it heretical? Will this knowledge change the way you act, think or speak this week? Why or why not? (Mark 8:34–35; Romans 3:23–24; Ephesians 2:1–10)
9. What is the cheap-grace gospel? Why is it heretical? Will this knowledge change the way you act, think or speak this week? Why or why not? (Mark 1:15; Luke 13:3; Romans 6:1–4; Titus 2:11–14)
10. What is the works-righteousness gospel? Why is it heretical? Will this knowledge change the way you act, think or speak this week? Why or why not? (Galatians 2:16; Ephesians 2:8–9; Romans 4:4–5)
11. Talk through how you would interact with someone who is struggling with one of the false gospels discussed this week.