



Riverstone
BAPTIST CHURCH

Sermon Based Questions

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Series- Marked By Love Prt 3

Hold Firm to Christ

24 As for you, see that what you have heard from the beginning remains in you. If it does, you also will remain in the Son and in the Father. 25 And this is what he promised us—eternal life. (1 John 2:18-3:3)

1. Hold firm to Christ in the face of opposition. (1 John 2:18-25)

2. Hold firm to Christ and know his anointing. (1 John 2:26-29)

**3. Hold firm to Christ and be revealed as God's child.
(1 John 3:1-3)**

A. Examining the texts.

1. 1 John 2:18-25. Based on these verses who are the anti-Christ? And how important is Christ to our relationship with the Father?
2. Read 1 John 2:26-29. What from these verses, is “the anointing?” What purpose does it serve and how does it/he help in the face of false teaching about Christ?
3. Read 1 John 3:1-3. What is the privilege that John reveals in these verses and how does this passage point toward hope?

B. Meditation & application

4. Based on what John writes here- how would you answer someone who asked you- “what or who is the anti-Christ? Why do you think John needed to talk about this?”
5. How do you think we personally experience the anointing that John speak of here? How in your experience- does “the anointing,” teach you about Christ? Read John 16:4-15; how does this add to your understanding of the anointing?
6. John speak of adoption and hope in the beginning of chapter three. How important is adoption to your own faith journey? How does the hope spoken of here encourage you?
7. If you were to turn this whole section of scripture into a prayer- how would you put it and what would you pray for? How does this passage give clarity to us in understanding what matters in Christian discipleship? If you were going to encourage another believer using this passage- how would you do so and what would you say?

“Dear Heavenly Father; we thank you for sending Christ to us. We thank you for all he reveals about you, we pray and ask that we might know the fullness of the Spirit’s anointing in order that we might live for your glory- grow in our union with Christ and rejoice in the privilege of our salvation. In Jesus Name- Amen.