



Riverstone
BAPTIST CHURCH

Sermon Based Questions

Date- Sunday 8th April 2018

Series- Short but significant

Christology, love and obedience

“9 Anyone who runs ahead and does not continue in the teaching of Christ does not have God; whoever continues in the teaching has both the Father and the Son.” 2 John 9.

- 1. Life is found by staying in the truth. (2 John 1-4)**
- 2. Life is found in love and obedience. (2 John 5-11)**
- 3. Life is found in face to face connection (2 John 12-13)**

A. Examining the texts.

1. Read 2 John 1-4. How many times does John mention “truth,” in these opening verses and why do you think he emphasizes it so much?
2. Read 2 John 5-11. What is the chief heresy that John is dealing with here? Why do you think it is so important to him?
3. Read 2 John 12-13. Why do you think that John wants to talk face to face with this particular church and what does it say about John’s view of humanity and the body in general?

B. Meditation & application

4. Do you think that doctrine and theology matters? How do you think that John would feel about doctrine and theology?
5. What is the relationship between truth and love in John’s mind and what implications does this have for us?
6. How would you describe “your Christology?” What do you understand about Jesus identity and why do you think that this is a “core gospel issue,” for John?
7. What would it look like for you to “walk in truth, walk in love and walk in obedience?” Assuming that this is what John wants us to do as disciples- how could we do that and what would we need to do for that to happen?

Dear heavenly Father, Thank you that Jesus embraced the limitations of human flesh in order to redeem us from the curse of sin. Help us to hold fast to the truth despite the pressures that we face to do otherwise. May we be genuine disciples of Christ- who walk in the truth, in love and in obedience.” In Jesus’ Name- amen.