

Discussion Questions - 2/2/25

Complete Joy in Christ: Experiencing True Fellowship - 1 John 1:1-4

Here are three basic questions you can always ask in any bible study:

- What does this text teach us about God?
- What does this text teach us about ourselves?
- If this text is true, what should we do to obey this teaching? This answer ought to be specific, in that it can be clearly measured.

Here are some specific questions about this text:

1. John writes about “what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched.” What does it mean for you to have a direct encounter with Christ today, even though He is no longer physically present?
2. John says he is writing so that we may have fellowship with him, and with the Father and Son. What does it look like to experience true fellowship with God in your daily life? How can you cultivate deeper fellowship with other believers in your community? Share a time when you felt loved by Christians. What is your group doing that is communicating God’s love to you?
3. In verse 4, John writes, “We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.” How does your relationship with Christ impact your joy? Are there areas of your life where joy seems absent, and how can you invite Christ’s presence into those spaces?
4. John emphasizes proclaiming the “Word of Life.” Who is one person in your life that God may be leading you to share your faith with? What obstacles might you face in doing this, and how can you overcome them with God’s help? Based on where your relationship is with this person, how might you begin a conversation about faith?