THRIVING TOGETHER SMALL GROUPS

Exploring Scripture – Discovering Truth – Knowing Jesus – Living Connected

Sept 29, 2025

CHECK-IN WITH EACH OTHER: How has your relationship with the Lord been the past week or since we last connected? How can I be praying for you in your journey with the Lord? Did anything come to mind about how you and I ought to think and act as children of God in our relationships with others?

Scripture Segments: 1 John 5:1-21

- 1. In this last chapter of 1^{st} John, look for the phrases "we know" and "you may know". Review these verses: Vs. 2; 10, 13, 15, 18, 19, 20.
 - a. By reading each of the statements that have this phrase in them, what is it that we know?
 - b. Knowing these, how should it make a difference in how we live day to day as children of God?
- 2. In verses 6 12, John uses words like "truth" and "testimony" and "testified".
 - a. What is the "testimony" God has given about His Son (v.11)? Think about the phrase: "God's testimony is greater" (v.9). How should this inform how we consider human opinions & statements about Jesus?
 - b. Do you personally feel confident in the testimony about Jesus? Why or why not?
 - c. How can we in this group and in our church encourage each other to trust more in God's testimony than what we hear from those around us who do not take God at His word?

Practical Application:

Consider your relationship with God in light of what Jesus has done for you and me. Are you assured of eternal life? Pray for those in your life who are not assured of eternal life.