

Sermon Notes

The Litmus Test - Abiding in Christ

Today's lifelines:

For those who are His but not abiding: 1 John 1:9

For those that can't abide because they are not truly His: Romans 10:8-13

Reality #1 The Gut Check (1 John 2:3-6)

Reality #2 The Heart Check (1 John 2:15-17, Romans 8:31-39)

Reality #3 The Actions Check (1 John 3:4-10, Philippians 4:4-9)

Reality #4 The Final Check (1 John 4:12-16, Jude 17-25)

Application (Psalm 119:9-16)

Sermon Reflection Guide

"Let the *Word* of Christ *dwell* in you(all) *richly*
teaching and *admonishing* one another in all *wisdom...*"

- *Colossians 3:16a*

Focus #1: GOD

1. What does this passage reveal about the character or nature of God?
2. What does this passage reveal about God's eternal plans and purposes?
3. What does this passage reveal about how God interacts with his creation?

Focus #2: ME

4. How does this passage reveal sin in my own mind, heart, or life?
5. In what ways does this passage help us to see how we need to be aligned with God's will?
6. What is one tangible and measurable way that the Spirit is leading me to respond to his Word?

Focus #3: OTHERS

7. What is one truth that I can share meaningfully with someone, and with whom?
8. How can I specifically encourage someone or everyone in my Life Group or church family from this passage?

Three contributions (reflections, questions, observations, etc.) I plan to include in our next Life Group discussion:

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- 2.
- 3.

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SEPTEMBER

29 Communion

OCTOBER

2 Life Together

4 Person High @ Southern Alamance

4-5 AHG Campout @ Mayo Park

11 PHS vs. Orange (**HOMECOMING**)

12 Church Work Day

17 BBA Fall Meeting @ Westwood