

## **1. 1 John 2:1-6**

- In general, what about this section do you resonate with? Is there anything you don't understand?
- How would you define sin?
- How might verses 1-2 relate to verses 3-6?
- What might the people John was writing to have been dealing with in terms of lack of confidence in this section? How is John providing reasons for followers of Jesus to have confidence in this section?

## **2. 1 John 3:11-16**

- In general, what about this section do you resonate with? Is there anything you don't understand?
- If you'd like a Cain & Abel refresher you can find the story in Genesis 4:1-8.
- Why would the world hate people who are trying to love each other?
- Read verse 16 again. When you hear that, do you mostly think about how you could lay your life down for a friend, or have you ever considered that a friend may do that for you?
- What might the people John was writing to have been dealing with in terms of lack of confidence in this section? How is John providing reasons for followers of Jesus to have confidence in this section?

## **3. 1 John 4:11-19**

- In general, what about this section do you resonate with? Is there anything you don't understand?
- Is it ever hard to feel like "no one has ever seen God?"
- What does John think we can do to show each other God?
- What does it mean for perfect love to drive out fear?
- What might the people John was writing to have been dealing with in terms of lack of confidence in this section? How is John providing reasons for followers of Jesus to have confidence in this section?

## **4. 1 John 5:1-3**

- In general, what about this section do you resonate with? Is there anything you don't understand?
- When you hear the word "commandment," what are the first things that pop into your head?
- Are those words more negative or positive?
- What might the people John was writing to have been dealing with in terms of lack of confidence in this section? How is John providing reasons for followers of Jesus to have confidence in this section?