

### TRUTH: 1 John 5:1-8

#### 1 John 5:1

According to this verse, who is a Christian (born of God)?

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How should I act towards others who love God?

**With hate | With tolerance | With love**

Which way have I been acting towards most Christians recently?

**With hate | With tolerance | With love**

#### 1 John 5:2

Another sign that I am a Christian is that I love God by \_\_\_\_\_  
His commands.

Have I been choosing not to keep God's commands recently?

Y  N

If so, I will take time now to confess this to God.

#### 1 John 5:3

This verse says that keeping God's commands is not \_\_\_\_\_.  
It's easy to sin, but it causes many difficult complications. When I do what is right,  
things are simpler in the long run.

#### 1 John 5:4

Things done God's way make us victorious!

Which side do I want to be on? **Losing side | Winning side**

#### 1 John 5:6-8

The Spirit is T\_\_\_\_\_.

I'll write one truth I've learned (or relearned) about Jesus in this study of **1 John**:

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## TRUTH: 1 John 5:9-15

### 1 John 5:9-10

Has someone ever told me a story that was almost too good to be true?

Y  N

Did I end up believing it?  Y  N

Why or why not? \_\_\_\_\_

People must choose who to believe and trust. God is trustworthy. We have human eyewitnesses and testimony, as well as testimony from God and the Holy Spirit about Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

Satan's goal is to convince me that God is a liar.

What lies about God have I been tempted to believe? \_\_\_\_\_

I will take the time this week to find out what God's Word says about these lies, seeking help from a pastor or godly leader/friend if needed.

### 1 John 5:11-13

According to **verse 13**, those who believe in Jesus Christ can **GUESS | KNOW** that they have eternal life.

How can being confident of where I will go when I die affect my daily life?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### 1 John 5:14-15

I can be confident that God \_\_\_\_\_ my prayers and gives me what I \_\_\_\_\_.

How am I to pray?

According to my will  According to God's will

How has God answered one of my prayers?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

I will stop and thank God for this answer to prayer.



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## TRUTH: 1 John 5:16-21

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Theologians believe the “sin that leads to death” is an absolute refusal to believe the Gospel, the message of redemption through Christ.  
(See **John 8:24**, where Jesus is speaking to the Jews.)

With whom in my Cause Circle will I share my faith this week so that he/she will have an opportunity to accept the Good **News**? \_\_\_\_\_

Who can I pray for this week that may be struggling with sin? \_\_\_\_\_ (initials)

Do I have anyone who prays for me on a regular basis?  Y  N  
If not, I will ask \_\_\_\_\_ to pray for me.

### 1 John 5:18-20

When have I been completely confused by instructions for putting something together or directions on a GPS? \_\_\_\_\_

Jesus came so that I might have understanding of, and access to, God.

### 1 John 5:21

Children of God are to keep themselves from what?

An "idol" is *anything or any relationship that I value more than God.*

A good indicator of knowing if I have an idol in my life is to look at how I spend the majority of my time, what I spend the most money on, and what I think about most.

Do I have any idols in my life?  Y  N  
(If so, list them here.) \_\_\_\_\_

My plan for how to give up any idols I might have is:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



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## TRUTH: 2 John 1-6

### 2 John 1-3

How would it feel if I had a backstage/all access pass to a concert, show, or sporting event? \_\_\_\_\_

Believers in Jesus Christ have full access to Him, the Word of God, the Truth. How does/should that fact affect my daily life? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Though it is common at the beginning of letters in the New Testament, what three blessings does John remind the believers they have received from God?

\_\_\_\_\_ : *undeserved favor*  
\_\_\_\_\_ : *pardon from sin*  
\_\_\_\_\_ : *restored relationship with God*

■ Since I may take these blessings for granted from time to time, I will take some time every day this week to be thankful for them.

### 2 John 4-6

John enjoyed seeing people of faith live out the truth of God's Word.

Who gives me joy when I see them living out the truth of God's Word?  
\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ one another. (v. 5)  
One way I will do this today is: \_\_\_\_\_.

This is love, that we walk: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_. (v. 6)

In what ways (specifically) do I struggle to obey God? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

- I choose to love God this week by obeying His commandments.
- I will ask God to soften my heart so that I may love others better.



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### TRUTH: 2 John 7-12

#### 2 John 7-8

John warned about d\_\_\_\_\_.

Not everyone is looking out for my good. I need to be discerning about who I listen and to who I don't.

What are some ways I will do this?

- Memorize Scripture
- Find godly counsel from trusted adults
- Read good Christian books
- Pray for wisdom
- Read/study my Bible

#### 2 John 9

Do I regularly abide/continue in the teaching of Christ?  Y  N

How much time do I regularly spend reading and studying God's Word?

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Is there something I would be willing to give up in order to spend more time learning the truth of God's Word so that I will be able to recognize and reject lies?

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#### 2 John 10

Often it is difficult to find people who love Jesus.

Would I say that those I spend most of my time with are ...?

- People who love God
- People who say they love God but never talk about Him
- People who are against God
- People who just don't know about God
- People who talk about God but don't live like they love Him

Today, how will I start being a godlier friend?

- Share the Gospel with my unsaved friends in my Cause Circle
- Confront sin when it comes up, like gossip, a bad activity, or disrespect
- Start God-centered conversations by sharing with my friends what I learned from quiet time/church/youth group
- Encourage my friends with godly advice rather than with just what they want to hear



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## TRUTH: 3 John 1-8

### 3 John 1-4

Believers in Jesus are called throughout Scripture to have three different relationships with other believers.

1. *Leaders who will mentor me:*

Do I have anyone in my life (just as Gaius had John) who teaches me in the faith?  Y  N

If so, this is who that person is and how often I am taught by him/her:

\_\_\_\_\_.

2. *Believers who will walk alongside me in the faith:*

Do I have anyone in my life who encourages and supports me, and keeps me accountable?  Y  N

Do I do the same for my friend?  Y  N

If so, this is who that person is and how often we meet:

\_\_\_\_\_.

3. *Believers who depend on me to teach them:*

Do I serve another believer by teaching him/her to be faithful to God and to follow the truth of God's Word?  Y  N

If so, this is who that person is and how often I teach and mentor him/her:

\_\_\_\_\_.

### 3 John 5-8

Have I ever had to use crutches?  Y  N

Those who are injured use crutches to support the weight of their body.

Teachers/pastors/leaders of the church carry a heavy responsibility.

How can I support the teachers/pastors/leaders of my church this week?

With my time: \_\_\_\_\_

With my skills/talents: \_\_\_\_\_

With my finances: \_\_\_\_\_

I will commit to look for ways to support my teachers/pastors/leaders this week.

I will pray for them on a regular basis.



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### TRUTH: 3 John 9-14

Have I ever been treated badly by a friend?  Y  N

How did I respond? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Diotrephes was a bad example because he was not treating other believers in Jesus well. John was planning to expose his behavior. John taught Gaius (and the church) to not imitate Diotrephes' behavior.

Have I ever found myself following the bad example of a friend?  
 Y  N

Have I (or my parents while I was in the car) ever followed the wrong GPS directions and ended up somewhere I (we) didn't want to go?  
 Y  N

Just like wrong GPS directions, following a bad example can cause believers in Jesus to end up somewhere they don't want to be.  
Is there someone I need to stop imitating because of his/her bad example?  
 Y  N

Demetrius, on the other hand, was a good example.  
Have I surrounded myself with friends who have a dynamic, saving faith and are living for God? (If so, list them here. If not, write a prayer asking God to help you find godly friends.) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Am I a good example to others, making wise choices out of gratitude for God's grace in my own life?  Y  N

Knowing I will be either a good example or a bad example for my friends, what habits do I need to change this week?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

My prayer about being a godly example:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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# Weekly Action Sheet

## DO IT!

Write the action step you will take to live out what you have learned this week from God's Word.



### MY CAUSE CIRCLE

**CARE:** Write how you will show Christ's love to your lost friend this week.



**SHARE:** Write where, when, and how you will share the gospel this week.

### MY WEEKLY PRAYER REQUESTS