

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

1. REVIEW THE SERMON

What stood out to you from the message this week?

If you could describe 1 John 4:1-6 in one sentence, what would it be?

How would you define discernment?

Based on 1 John 4:1, why do we need to test the spirits? (“ for many false prophets...”)

How do we test the spirits based on 1 John 4:2-6? (confession of Christ, reception of Scripture)

2. ASSESS YOUR LIFE

Do you consider yourself a spiritually discerning person? Why or why not?

On a scale from 1-5, how would you evaluate the importance you've placed on spiritual discernment in your Christian walk? (1-no importance 2- low importance 3- sort of important 4- important 5- very important, essential)

3. APPLY THE TRUTH

***Leaders, consider using one of these in your accountability time**

Are there areas in which your own sinfulness keeps you from exercising discernment?

In what ways can you grow in your own ability to spiritually discern truth from error? (Think about books- what are you reading? Think about podcasts- what are you listening to? Think about spiritual leaders- who are you seeking for guidance? Think about prayer- how are you asking God to help?)