Forbidden Hospitality

2 John

Focus: calling us to love those who walk in truth and to refuse even hospitality to those whose teaching is contrary to Jesus

Resources:

Here are some Creeds to help your group grasp and learn the truth of Jesus:

https://www.crcna.org/ welcome/beliefs/creeds/nicenecreed

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vf8YpU4ZGoQ

https://www.crcna.org/ welcome/beliefs/creeds/ athanasian-creed



NW's 2018 Priority

Bought: we belong to Christ!

we want to ...

- be captivated by the truth that we belong to Christ, that we are His people and...
- be in awe of this privilege...
- respond in willing obedience...
- invite others to join us!

Discussion:

- Read the entire book aloud! (option: do you think this is written to a lady who was a leader in the church or that it is a metaphor for the church itself? This is a lesser thing. Don't get all bogged down in it!)
- John repeats his I John concern that we should love one another. What ought this look like for you? (this is a biggie! linger here and draw out some good, specific applications!)
- John urges us to "watch ourselves" in v. 8. How can you best grow in your knowledge of Jesus? How ought you guard against false teaching?
- In vv. 10-11, John forbids even greetings to these false teachers! Why is he so adamant about this? How might this look in our day? How do you reconcile this with the command to love even our enemies?
- One of the Creeds in the sidebar could add a good closing discussion/prayer to your time together!
- **Missional Opps!** Challenge your group to love a neighbor well at one of these events/opportunities!
- 10/7 we are having a baptism service and then a picnic/potluck at the church facilities at 5. Invite a neighbor to the picnic and introduce them to lots of your friends and our leaders!
- https://www.wakeforestnc.gov/wake-forest-food-truck-rodeo-2018-10-28.aspx