

**DISCUSSION**

1. Read 1 John 5:11-13. Why does he say that he wrote these things? Why do you think he felt it was important that people are assured of eternal life?
2. How might this assurance of our faith affect our daily lives? What are some noticeable ways that assurance could be seen by others?
3. According to John, what is required to have life? What does he mean when he says, “whoever has the Son”? What does it look like to have the Son?
4. Humans were created in the image of God for relationship with Him, but we fell. How is our fallen identity impacted by God’s gift of eternal life? How should we view ourselves, if we have Jesus?
5. Everyone wants to be loved. Where does that desire come from? How does “having the Son” fill that desire?
6. What do you think it means when John says, “to you who believe in the name of the Son of God”? In other words, what does it mean to believe in a name, specifically Jesus’ name? What are some truth statements you support if you “believe in His name?”
7. What is the purpose of eternal life? How can we live in light of eternity daily? In other words, what does it look like to embrace the fact that this life is a vapor, or that this light momentary affliction is working for us an eternal weight of glory? Find scriptures that help shape the vision of eternal life, and discuss.

## **FAMILY DISCIPLESHIP**

1. What is eternal life? Why is there death in the world?
2. Why did God offer us eternal life? How did He do it?
3. When John says that we can have life in Jesus, what does he mean?
4. How does eternal life change the way we live now?

## **NEXT STEPS**

- Contemplate what it means to “have Christ.” Thank God for giving you sight to see the foolishness of the world and His greater power. Pray for strength to embrace this eternal reality and calling. Ask God to help you engage others with this wonderful truth.
- Prayerfully consider ways that you could better live in light of eternity. Make a list of ways that you can be actively “redeeming the time, because the days are evil.” (Eph. 5:16)