

“Blessed Assurance: Counterfeit Christians”

I John 2:18-28

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GOD HAS EQUIPPED YOU TO REMAIN IN JESUS AND NOT BE MISLED.

1) LAST-HOUR COUNTERFEITS LEAVE (v. 18-19)

2) THE GENUINE ANOINTED ARTICLE (v. 20-23)

3) REMAIN IN THE TRUTH (v. 24-28)

READ AHEAD FOR NEXT WEEK: 1 John 3:1-10

Discussion Questions

ICEBREAKER: Was there ever a time when you tried an imitation off-brand product? How was it? How could you tell the difference?

- 1) In this passage John refers to the last hour, what does that refer to?
- 2) What clues can you find in the text that would help you identify the last hour?
- 3) John uses the word Antichrist to talk of two different, yet similar things. What are they?
- 4) What beliefs mark the spirit of the Antichrist?
- 5) What indications did these Antichrists give that they “did not really belong to us”?
- 6) What reassurance does John offer those who remain in Him in verses 20-23?
- 7) What does it mean to deny Jesus is the Christ (the anointed one)?
- 8) What do the false teachers deny so far in context of 1 John?
- 9) What is the message that is supposed to remain in you?
- 10) If one of the marks of the antichrists is that they depart, what is the mark of the believer?
- 11) What modern day teachings or religions would deny Jesus is the Christ?
- 12) What tools do you have to make sure that you remain in Him and aren’t misled?
- 13) How can we pray for you this week?