Hope Small Groups Sermon Notes | Sep. 30, 2018    
Self-Diagnosis | 1 John 2:3-11

Big Idea: Being a Christian is knowing God, abiding in Christ, and living in the light. We verify those claims by obeying his commandments, imitating his walk, and by loving one another.

The Claim to be a Christian is  
Stated and Verified in Three Ways:

1. Knowing God is Verified by Obeying   
God (3-4)   
  
  
2. Abiding in Him is Verified by Imitating Christ (5-6)  
  
  
3. Living in the Light is Verified by Loving One Another (9-10)  
  
**Hope Group Sermon Discussion Questions**  
  
1.      Ice Breakers: Have you ever been “WebMD’d?” Or have you ever mistaken someone’s identity and realized you don’t know them?      
  
  
2.    In what ways, can we know that we know God?   
  
  
  
3.    What do our actions/lifestyle have to do with our faith?   
  
  
  
4.    How do we walk in the same way in which he walked? (1 John 2:6) 

5.    1 John 2:8 speaks of the “true light.” Who or what is the “true light” and why is knowing the “true light” so important? Compare this to John 8:12-30.   
  
  
  
  
  
6.    (extra credit: compare the “true light” in 1 John 2:8 to the dayspring/sunrise in Luke 1:78-79; Mal. 4:2)