

Sermon Application Study

September 6, 2026

Target Passage → 1 John 5:16-21

1. Explain, to the best of your understanding, the distinction John is making between sin that leads to death and sin that does not lead to death. Why is the difference important?
2. What protects a Christian from continuing in sin?
3. What does it mean that “the whole world lies in the power of the evil one?” Isn’t God in control? Explain.
4. What has the Son of God come to do for us as we live in this evil world?
5. Why does John end his letter with, “Little children, keep yourselves from idols”?

Bridge Passages (for further study) → John 15:1-11, James 5:13-20, 1 John 3:4-10

For Me →

1. Are you close enough to some people at Calvary that they can see your sin and pray for you? If so, how does that make you feel? If not, why not?
2. Describe your relationship with Jesus in terms of vs.20? What do you know? How has this affected your life?

PRAYER FOCUS

Spend some time sharing your struggles and sins with each other so you can carry those burdens to the Lord in prayer together.

For the Mission →

What should we do when we have a friend/acquaintance/fellow church member who continues in sin without repentance and does not seem to be experiencing any God-given conviction or restoration?