## SHINE - 1 John 2:18-29

## Memory Verse: 1 John 2:25 - "And this is the promise that he made to us—eternal life."

## Christians are to be on guard concerning our faith.

We have a real enemy who stands in opposition to Christ. 1 John 2:18-19; Matthew 4:1-11; Matthew 7:15; 2 John 7; Matthew 24:24; 1 John 4:3; Mark 3:29

John warns about the anti-Christian teachers already in the world, and he tells us how to recognize them: (1) they have left the fellowship of the truth, v. 19; (2) they deny that Jesus Christ is the Son of God come in the flesh, v. 22; (3) they try to seduce believers v.26.

Christians have been given all they need to be <u>steadfast</u> and confident in the Truth. You've been given all the tools you need to combat the enemy. *1 John 2:20-27; 2 Thessalonians 2:15; 2 Timothy 3:14-16* 

Abiding in Christ is the confidence that we need to <u>stand</u> <u>firm</u>. Now use the tools you have! 1 John 2:28-29; John 15:4-9; John 15:10; John 8:31; John 14:23; 1 John 3:24; 2 John 9: James 1:25 Next Week's Reading Guide:

1 John 3:1 1 John 3:2-3 1 John 3:4-5 1 John 3:6 1 John 3:7-8 1 John 3:9 1 John 3:10

## **Discussion Questions:**

- 1. How do you identify a false teacher?
- 2. What tools do you have that you are not currently using?
- 3. What will abiding look like in your life this week?