## SHINE - 1 John 5:1-21

Memory Verse: 1 John 5:13 - "I have written this to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know you have eternal life."

**1.** We <u>are</u> children of God by believing in Jesus, confirmed by our words and deeds. *1 John 5:1-5; Romans 10:9-10* 

## 2. We <u>believe</u> that Jesus Christ is God's son, sent by God to take away the sin of the world. 1 John 5:6-15; Matthew 3:16-17; John 1:29,32; John 13:35; 1 John 5:11-15

# **3. We live in fellowship with God by practicing love, not sin.** *1 John 5:16-21*

## Next Week's Reading Guide:

Psalm 96:7-10 2 Chronicles 5:7-14 Luke 4:1-8 Romans 12:1-2 John 4:21-24 Ephesians 5:1-20 Revelation 4:10-11

#### **Discussion Questions:**

 What is God's love language? Why do you think John says it's not burdensome to keep God's commandments?
Why is confession such an important part of salvation? Why not just believe?

3. Why do you suppose Jesus' baptism by John the Baptist was so important to God?

4. What is a past or present "tendency" or pattern of sin in your life? How does "practicing love" maintain or establish a pattern of fellowship with God and people?