

## 2026-05-03 Discussion Questions

The pastor emphasizes that God's commands started with just one in the Garden of Eden. How does understanding God's commands as protective rather than restrictive change your perspective on obedience?

The sermon warns against worshiping Christian objects like crosses or buildings rather than Christ himself. What things in your spiritual life might you be elevating to a place that belongs only to God?

First John states that if we walk in the light, the blood of Jesus purifies us from all sin. What does it practically mean to walk in the light rather than darkness in your daily life?

The pastor distinguishes between generally confessing sins and specifically naming them before God. Why might specific confession be more transformative than blanket statements of repentance?

John writes that anyone who claims to live in Christ must walk as Jesus walked. What specific aspects of Jesus' walk are most challenging for you to imitate in your current circumstances?

The sermon suggests that America's problems stem not from Washington but from Christians who have stopped being Christian. How does personal holiness connect to cultural transformation?

First John 3:16-18 calls us to lay down our lives for others and love with actions, not just words. What concrete actions demonstrate sacrificial love in your relationships right now?

The pastor states that we need accountability from other believers, yet most Christians avoid it. What fears or pride keep us from inviting others to speak truth into our lives?

The sermon challenges the idea of easy believism that separates faith from obedience. How do you balance the truth that salvation is by grace through

faith with James' teaching that faith without works is dead?

First John warns against loving the world or anything in it. What desires or possessions compete with your love for God, and how can you practically reorder your affections?