

The Secret

1 John 2.29-3.10

Focus: to challenge us to embrace the transforming power of the love of God that rules out sin that allies us with the devil.

Resources:

Here are a couple helpful resources for your prep. this week:

<https://bible.org/seriespage/lesson-15-believer-and-sin-1-john-34-10>

<https://www.desiringgod.org/messages/no-one-born-of-god-makes-a-practice-of-sinning>



NW's 2018 Priority

Bought: we belong to Christ!

we want to ...

- be captivated by the truth that we belong to Christ, that we are His people and...
- be in awe of this privilege...
- respond in willing obedience...
- invite others to join us!

Discussion:

- read the passage. How does this passage strike you on hearing it read aloud?
- What encouragement do you find in the first 3 verses? How is the return of Jesus to affect you? How can you be more mindful of his return?
- How do you explain that verses 4-10 are written to Christians? What is John trying to accomplish in the church? How do verses 4-10 make you feel about your sin?
- What voices do you hear in our culture that tend to minimize or justify sin?
- What can you do to embrace the love of God in such a way that it helps you say "No" to sin? share ideas and pray for one another.

Missional Opps! Challenge your group to love a neighbor well at one of these events!

- Scout a decent couple of movies and take a neighbor to the **Raleigh Road Drive-in** in Henderson! <http://www.raleighroaddrivein.com>
- Take a neighbor to **Friday Night on White**, Takes place along South White Street on the second Friday of each month from April through September. The free concerts run from 6-9 p.m. and feature a variety of premier local bands.