

Authentic Christianity: The Authentic Message

1 John 1:1-4

1. What comes to mind when you hear the word... 'authentic'? Why is this word important to people in today's culture?
2. In this letter the Apostle John is giving us a belief test, an obedience test, and a love test. What area of your life might likely be shown deficient? Why do you say that?
3. Have you ever been asked a question about the reliability of the message? What are some biblical statements that help you to believe that the Christian message is reliable?
4. J.D. Greear said that "faith is the unexplainable meeting the undeniable." What does that mean? Is it helpful?
5. What is John's focus on the word 'life'? How is this concept important to us?
6. How would you show from these 4 verses that Jesus is God?
7. How would you show from these 4 verses that Jesus is human?
8. Why is it helpful to know that religious groups will be in error on one or both of these two truths (Jesus is God & human)?
9. Why is fellowship with the Father and the Son a reason to share with others? How does this make our joy complete?