

Strong and Sure

Strong in Faith – I John 5:1-5

Discussion Points

May 31, 2020

Read/Reflect

1. Read I John 5:1-5 out loud. How do these verses relate back to the beginning of this letter (see the first verses of chapter 1)?
2. Following his argument in verses 1-5, how does John link love for God, believing in Jesus, loving one another, and obeying God's commands?

Explore

3. In what ways has the Covid-19 pandemic and all the changes it has brought upon us caused you to re-evaluate things you thought were either important or a priority in your life?
4. In what ways does Christianity become something other than faith in Christ alone? Are there times these distortions have been true about your own faith?
5. When do you feel the most distant from God? How do you or could you regain the assurance that God's presence is always near?
6. Does following God's will at times feel like a burden to you? Why do you think that is? How can Jesus' invitation of Matthew 11:28 encourage you?
7. What does it mean to overcome the world, or to be "more than conquerors" (see Romans 8:31-39)? What does this look like, or could it look like, in your own life?

Pray

- Spend some time in confession before God for the ways that Christian faith gets distorted in us, and commit to devoting your life to Jesus, Saviour and Lord.
- Rejoice in God's faithfulness, in his power to save, and in his promise to overcome the world.