



Sermon Growth Guide

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Truth Endures

2 John 1:1-6

Key Verse: 2 John 1:2 “Because of the truth, which lives in us and will be with us forever.”

Big Idea: Enduring truth isn’t found in your feelings or your feed—it’s found in the Father. When we walk in His truth, we walk in love.

Foundations

In a world where “truth” feels like a moving target—shaped by headlines, feelings, and trends—John’s second letter calls the church back to the enduring truth of God.

Truth, is not found in our feelings or our feeds, but in the Father. This truth is not abstract; it’s embodied in Jesus Christ—the Way, the Truth, and the Life.

John insists that right belief naturally produces right action, namely that we love one another. To walk in truth means to live faithfully according to God’s commands, which are summed up in one word: love. Our beliefs shape our behaviors; our theology fuels our practice.

In an age of shifting values and loud opinions, the church’s witness depends on our steadfastness. To be faithful is to stay anchored in Scripture, centered on Christ, and active in love. When we walk in truth and love, we reflect the heart of Jesus—and the world sees the difference.

Understanding God’s Word

Read 2 John 1:1-6 together.

John opens his letter grounding love in truth. What happens when we try to love without truth—or pursue truth without love? In what ways does the Gospel’s “True Story” (Creation–Fall–Redemption–Consummation) give you security in a shaky world? How have you experienced God’s grace, mercy, and peace when you’ve stood firm in His truth?

Applying God’s Word

John rejoices that the church’s “children are walking in truth.” Who has modeled that kind of steady faith for you?

How does obedience to God’s commands actually liberate us rather than restrict us? When you think about Jesus washing the disciples’ feet, what does that scene teach you about truth expressed in love?

Witnessing God’s Word

What practical consequences do these worldviews have on relationships, community, or hope?

How can Christians speak truth in love without sounding arrogant or combative? What does it look like to “hold fast” to Scripture in a culture allergic to absolute truth? How can your daily life (workplace, home, friendships) demonstrate that Christ’s truth leads to freedom and joy?