

THE LOVE OF GOD

THE BOOK OF 1 JOHN

TRUE OR FALSE

1 JOHN 4:1-6

SCRIPTURE STUDY

Before you begin: *Open with prayer and spend a minute or two in silence before God. Have multiple people ask the Holy Spirit to enter your time together and illuminate your hearts and minds to scripture.*

- Have someone read the passages in their entirety aloud. As a group, summarize the passage, and as you do so, note any observations, questions, and exciting insights you found while reading through the text. What jumped out at you? What was something you noticed now that you didn't see before?
- What does it mean to test the spirits? In what ways can we discern whether a message or teaching is from the Spirit of God or from a false spirit?
- Why is it essential to correctly understand whom Jesus is when discerning the spirits?
- How can we balance being discerning and open to learning from others and hearing different perspectives?
- How can we apply the concept of testing the spirits to our everyday lives and interactions with others?