

1 John (3-5)

Instructor: Philip Tsao

Time: Tuesday 9:00-10:00pm ET

Class Size: limit of 20

Syllabus (week by week)

1. The fellowship of the divine life & the teaching of the divine anointing (1-2)
2. The virtues of the divine birth: Practicing righteousness 2:28-3:10
3. The virtues of the divine birth: Practicing love - the divine seed 3:9-17
4. The virtues of the divine birth: Practicing love - the divine Spirit 3:18-24
5. The virtues of the divine birth: Practicing love - the proving of spirits 4:1-6
6. The virtues of the divine birth: Practicing love - God, the supreme love 4:7-16
7. The virtues of the divine birth: Practicing love - God, the supreme love 4:17-5:3
8. The virtues of the divine birth: Overcoming the world - eternal life in the Son 5:4-13
9. The virtues of the divine birth: Overcoming the world - the true God 5:14-21

Course Description:

In his Gospel, John shows sinners the way to eternal life—believing in Jesus Christ, the Son of God. In his Epistle, he teaches believers how to have assurance of this life in them by pointing them to the virtues of being born of God: righteousness, love, and overcoming the world which lies in the power of the evil one. By studying this Epistle, we aim to have this assurance for ourselves and become people who are full of these virtues.

This class will cover 1 John chapters 3-5 in a guided round-table Bible study format. There may be up to 30 minutes of homework per week outside of class time.

Course Material: Commentaries will be provided in class