

International Bible Study Commentary

Verse-by-Verse Bible Lessons Thru the Bible L.G. Parkhurst, Jr.

1 John 4:1-6 Scripture Handout New American Standard Bible

Assign each person in the class one or more verses to study.

Each person should answer these two questions on their assigned verse.

1. What does this verse say?

2. What does this verse mean to me?

Discuss your answers with the class.

(1 John 4:1) Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world.

(1 John 4:2) By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God;

(1 John 4:3) and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God; this is the spirit of the antichrist, of which you have heard that it is coming, and now it is already in the world.

(1 John 4:4) You are from God, little children, and have overcome them; because greater is He who is in you than he who is in the world.

(1 John 4:5) They are from the world; therefore they speak as from the world, and the world listens to them.

(1 John 4:6) We are from God; he who knows God listens to us; he who is not from God does not listen to us. By this we know the spirit of truth and the spirit of error.

Write out the verse or verses you have been assigned below:

Answer These Questions for Class Discussion or Personal Study

- 1. What does the verse say?
- 2. What does the verse mean to me?