



#### **1 John 4:1-6-Discerning Truth from Error**

- **We have more information now than ever..So how do you process all these ideas? Who are you listening to? What is your filter? What are you building your life on?**
- **Do you think that truth is a moving target, is flexible, or is otherwise relative to the person or situation? What does God's word have to say about this?**
- **Jesus is truth, and He has revealed truth to us. So we must discern if the voices we are allowing to shape our daily lives line up with the truth that Jesus has revealed.**
- **I'm empowered to examine and test the voices that influence my life. This involves discernment. Discernment is the ability to understand and apply God's word with the purpose of separating truth from error and right from wrong. Tim Challis**
- **Our discernment is grounded in Jesus and Scripture over popularity and preferences.**
- **The Holy Spirit will never contradict the Scriptures, therefore if someone comes claiming knowledge that does contradict, this person is not speaking from God.**
- **Jesus centered discernment should lead to humble confidence, not fear.**
- **So what shapes your beliefs on a regular basis? Who or what is shaping your thoughts and actions? Who are you trying to impress?**
- **...test the Spirits to see if they are from God...1 John 4:1.**