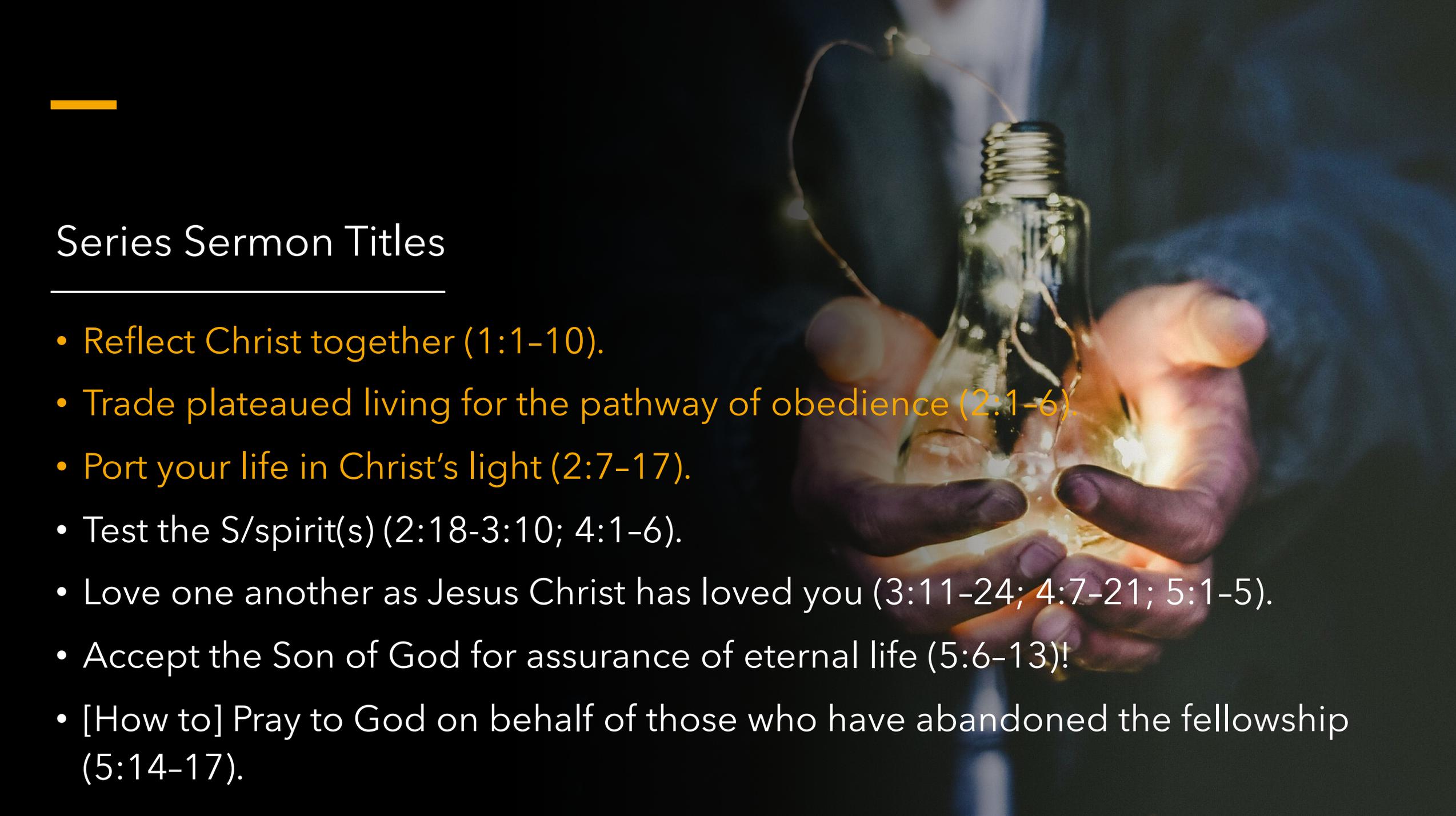




# Walk in the Light

The Christian Message for a Culture in Crisis



## Series Sermon Titles

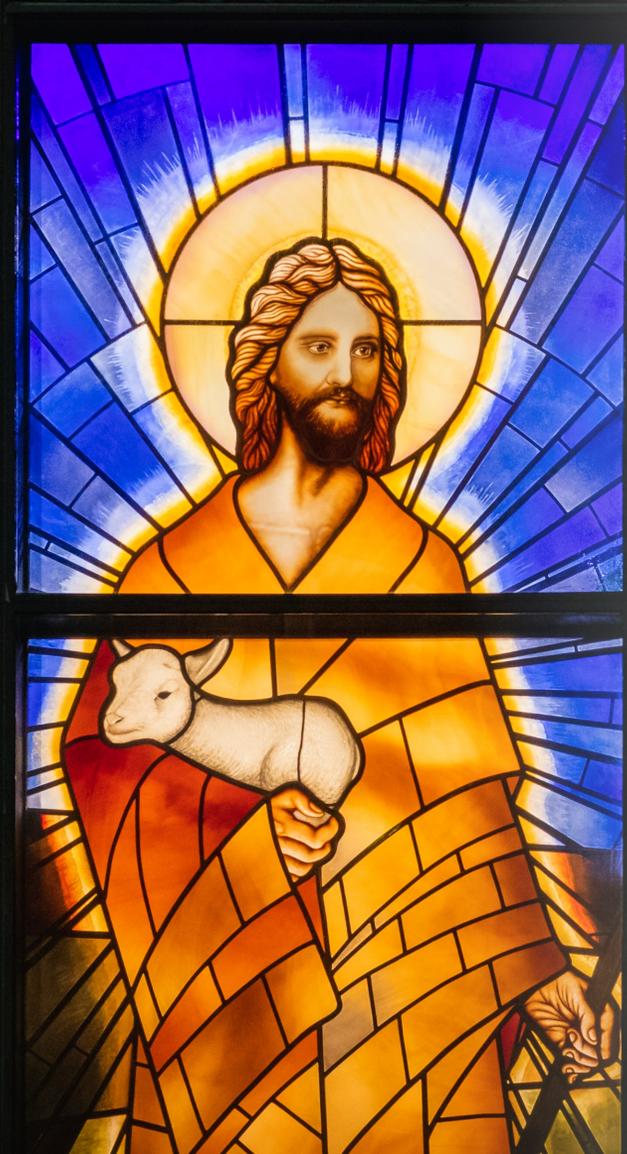
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- Reflect Christ together (1:1-10).
- Trade plateaued living for the pathway of obedience (2:1-6).
- Port your life in Christ's light (2:7-17).
- Test the S/spirit(s) (2:18-3:10; 4:1-6).
- Love one another as Jesus Christ has loved you (3:11-24; 4:7-21; 5:1-5).
- Accept the Son of God for assurance of eternal life (5:6-13)!
- [How to] Pray to God on behalf of those who have abandoned the fellowship (5:14-17).



# Test the S/spirit(s).

1 John 2:18-3:10; 4:1-6



# Biblical Idea

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John exhorted the church to test the spirits of bogus prophets based upon true confession and true conduct.



# Timeless Tension

A naturalistic culture does not value the discernment of spirits.

# Timeless Purpose

To demonstrate how the Christian confession & conduct being clarity to the discernment of spirits.





# Timeless Truth

The Holy Spirit's testimony is always compatible with the word of God.



# Today's Purpose

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To discern the Holy Spirit  
from oppositional spirits at  
work in us and in the world  
for better devotion and  
better ministry.





# Today's Message

Determine the genuineness of the indwelling Spirit.

Testing Two  
Sources: (1)  
Yourself and (2)  
Your Influencers

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First, determine  
the genuineness  
of the Spirit by  
the test of love.

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Second,  
determine the  
genuineness of  
the Spirit by the  
test of  
consistency.

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Third, determine  
the genuineness  
of the Spirit by  
the test of  
density.

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Fourth,  
determine the  
genuineness of  
the Spirit by the  
test of maturity.

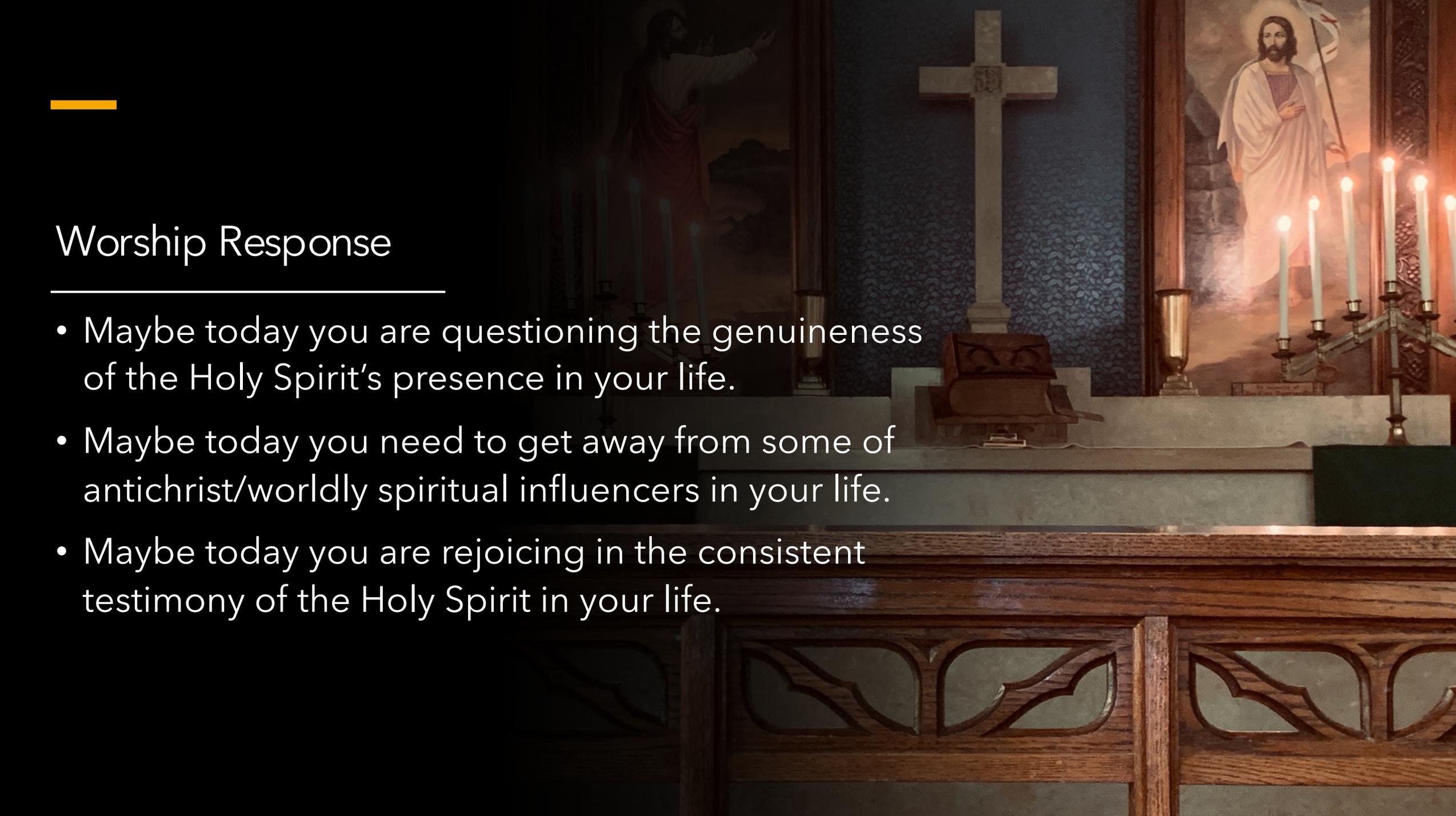
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# Walk in the Light

Obedient Christians Impact a Culture in Crisis.

A photograph of a church altar. In the center is a large wooden cross. To the left is a statue of Jesus with his right arm raised. To the right is a painting of Jesus holding a staff. In front of the altar is a wooden lectern and a candelabra with several lit white candles. The background wall is blue with a floral pattern. The foreground shows the top of a wooden pew with decorative carvings.

## Worship Response

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- Maybe today you are questioning the genuineness of the Holy Spirit's presence in your life.
- Maybe today you need to get away from some of antichrist/worldly spiritual influencers in your life.
- Maybe today you are rejoicing in the consistent testimony of the Holy Spirit in your life.



## Worship Response

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- Believe
- Repent
- Answer God's Call
- Obey
- Give
- Give Thanks
- Praise
- Ask for Help

