



BETHELCHURCH

Overcoming the World's Lies  
1 John 4:1-6  
Pastor Steven Dunkel

## At Home Study Guide

For the week of April 3, 2016

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- What were the three lies and corresponding truths Pastor Steven identified in 1 John 4:1-6?
- Are there areas in your life where you regularly listen to culture more than Scripture?
- When do you find it easier to rely on your willpower rather than the Spirit's power?
- In what areas of your life would you say you've most experienced the transformation that comes from knowing Jesus?
- Memorize 1 John 4:4 this week to remember whose you are. "Little children, you are from God and have overcome them, for he who is in you is greater than he who is in the world."

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