

¹⁸ *Dear children, this is the last hour; and as you have heard that the antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists have come. This is how we know it is the last hour.* ¹⁹ *They went out from us, but they did not really belong to us. For if they had belonged to us, they would have remained with us; but their going showed that none of them belonged to us.* ²⁰ *But you have an anointing from the Holy One, and all of you know the truth.* ²¹ *I do not write to you because you do not know the truth, but because you do know it and because no lie comes from the truth.* ²² *Who is the liar? It is whoever denies that Jesus is the Christ. Such a person is the antichrist—denying the Father and the Son.* ²³ *No one who denies the Son has the Father; whoever acknowledges the Son has the Father also.*

How to Grow in True Wisdom

1. Have an ever-growing understanding of the God of the Bible.

2 Timothy 3:16-17(MSG) *There's nothing like the written Word of God for showing you the way to salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. Every part of Scripture is God-breathed and useful one way or another—showing us truth, exposing our rebellion, correcting our mistakes, training us to live God's way. Through the Word we are put together and shaped up for the tasks God has for us.*

2. Walk in community.

Proverbs 11:14: *"Where there is no guidance, a people falls, but in an abundance of counselors there is safety."*

3. Share with others what you know is true.

John 17:15-18. ¹⁵ *My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one.* ¹⁶ *They are not of the world, even as I am not of it.* ¹⁷ *Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth.* ¹⁸ *As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world.*

Matthew 28:19-20 *"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations...and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you."*