WHEN YOUR FAITH IS CHALLENGED, WHO DO YOU BELIEVE?

<u>Truth</u>: Jesus is who He says He is, and God has provided proof of this giving us assurance and hope.

"And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son." I John 5:11

The defendant: Jesus

- Who He is: Incarnation
- What He has done: Atonement

The accusers: Gnostics (false teachers)

- Characteristics: Where, How, Why
- Teaching: Discrediting Jesus' authority and work

The defense: The Witnesses

- Water
- Blood
- Holy Spirit
- God's children

Discussion Questions:

- 1. Is Jesus' authority being challenged in the church today? How? How can we defend truth?
- 2. Do people try to discount their sins as the Gnostics did or cover sins in other ways? What does that look like? Why do they do it?