MS106-12 Answers (1 John 2:18-27)

Read 1 John 2:18-19

1) John said that we can know it is the last hour by the appearance of the antichrist coming near, and when we see all of the antichrists who have come. (2:18)

2) These "many antichrists" had come from within the church. "<u>They went out from us</u>, 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." (2:19)

3) These people proved that they did not really belong to us, because they went back into the world. (2:19)

Read 1 John 2:20-27

4) John contrast those who had remained with them to those who hadn't by saying that those who had remained had an anointing from the Holy One, and that all of them knew the truth. (2:20)

5) John was convinced that his readers knew the truth, because no lie comes from the truth. (2:21).

6) John describes whoever denies that Jesus is the Christ as being "antichrist". Such a person is the antichrist--denying the Father and the Son. (2:22)

7) No one who denies the Son has the Father, only those who acknowledge the Son have the Father also. (2:23)

8) God's Word must remain in us in order for us to remain in the Father and the Son. (2:24)

9) God has promised eternal life to those who remain in the Father and the Son. (2:25)

10) The anointing of God remains in all those who remain in the Father and the Son. The anointing is the Holy Spirit. **(2:27)**

11) We do not need anyone to teach us if we are filled with His Spirit, because as his anointing teaches us about all things, and the anointing is real, not counterfeit. (This is referring to those teachers that would lead us astray) (2:27) The Holy Spirit will give us witness in our spirit when something is true or a lie.

12) The anointing teaches us to remain in God through Jesus Christ. (2:27)