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he that believeth not God hath
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believeth not the record that
God gave of his Son.
- I John 5:10

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THE MOST IMPORTANT QUESTION YOU'LL EVER ANSWER: WHO IS JESUS CHRIST?

RECap of 1 John 1-4:

The Epistles of 1 John were combatting Cerinthianism, a Gnostic teaching that taught that the divine Christ joined the man Jesus at baptism and left him before he died.

John was making it clear in his epistles that he was an eye-witness to the person and works of Jesus Christ, and was a reliable source to who Jesus is.

John repeatedly made the point in his epistles that we are born of God when we love one another, thereby encouraging the reader to obey Christ in Spirit.

In 1 John 1-4, John drives home the following points about Jesus:

The blood of Jesus cleanses us from sin. (1 John 1:7)

Jesus is our advocate for our sin with the Father. (1 John 2:1)

When we believe we are born of God (1 John 3:9), and He sends us his Holy spirit (1 John 2:27), which allows us to fellowship with one another (1 John 1:7) and leads us into all truth. (1 John 4:6)

Jesus Christ is righteous. (1 John 2:29, 1 John 3:7, 1 John 2:1) This was especially important in combatting Cerinthianism, which denied that ANY righteousness could be practiced in a body of flesh, therefore insisting that the "spirit of Christ" joined Jesus' flesh at His baptism, and left him at His death.

What Jesus accomplished on the cross made it possible for us to one day be like Him. (1 John 3:2)

1 John 5

Faith in the Incarnate Son of God

Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God: and every one that loveth him that begat loveth him also that is begotten of him.

By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep his commandments.

For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous.

For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.

Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is he that came by water and blood, even Jesus Christ; not by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit that beareth witness, because the Spirit is truth.

For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one.

And there are three that bear witness in earth, the Spirit, and the water, and the blood: and these three agree in one.

If we receive the witness of men, the witness of God is greater: for this is the witness of God which he hath testified of his of his Son.

How we Know Jesus Christ

1. We are born of Him (1 John 5:1)
2. We love God and keep His commandments
(love God, love each other) (1 John 5:2)
3. Our belief in Jesus allows us to overcome
the world (1 John 5:5)

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4. Jesus was born of the Spirit and of the Flesh, being fully God and fully man (1 John 5:6, 8)
5. Jesus, Father God, and the Holy Spirit are One (1 John 5:7)



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And this is the record,
that God hath given to us
eternal life, and this
life is in his Son.

These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.

And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us:

And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him.

If any man see his brother sin a sin which is not unto death, he shall ask, and he shall give him life for them that sin not unto death. There is a sin unto death: I do not say that he shall pray for it.

All unrighteousness is sin: and there is a sin not unto death.

We know that whosoever is born of God sinneth not; but he that is begotten of God keepeth himself, and that wicked one toucheth him not.

And we know that we are of God, and the whole world lieth in wickedness.

And we know that the Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may know him that is true, and we are in him that is true, even in his Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God, and eternal life.

Little children, keep yourselves from idols. Amen.

How we Know Jesus Christ

4. Jesus gives us eternal life (1 John 5:11)
5. Eternal life is only found through Jesus
(1 John 4:14)
6. Jesus hears and grants our petitions that
are according to His will (1 John 5:14-15)
7. When we know truth, for Jesus IS truth
(1 John 5:20)

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