

“We Know That We Know That We Know”
(#16 in the “*Epistles Of John*” series)

I John 5:18-21

- I. What we know (I John 5:18-20)
- a. The _____ of God (vs. 18)
(I John 5:1a – “*Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God...*”)
- i. True believers in Christ will not _____,
_____ and _____ sin with no remorse.
(I John 1:9 – “*If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*”)
- ii. “*he that is begotten of God*” is actually a reference to _____.
(II Timothy 1:12b – “*...for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day.*”)
(I Peter 1:5 – “*Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.*”)
- iii. “*We know*” that the power of God keeps the true believer from ever _____ his salvation- no matter what!
- b. The _____ of God (vs. 19)
(John 8:44a – “*Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do...*”)
- i. “*We know*” that those who are truly _____ are the *people of God*.
- c. The _____ of God (vs. 20)
(John 1:1, 14 – “*In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God... ¹⁴ And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.*”)

(John 17:3 – “*And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.*”)

- i. “*We know*” that Jesus Christ was the Son of God and promised Messiah and that, through faith in Him, we have _____
_____.

- II. Whereas we know (I John 5:21)
- a. An expression of _____
- b. An ending _____
- i. “*idol*” = “_____”; *image of the _____ thing*”
- ii. Sometimes we’re guilty of “_____ idolatry”- we say that we love Christ more than anything, but our actions reveal that there are some things that hold a higher place in our hearts than He does.

It *does* matter what you believe! Consider this little poem: “*Shed a tear for Jimmy Brown, for Jimmy is no more. For what he thought was H₂O was really H₂SO₄!*” (H₂O = _____; H₂SO₄ = _____) When it comes to Jesus Christ, accept no _____!