

Part 23: Certainty Over Eternity

1 John 5:6-13

- 1. Fill in the blanks. Spiritual Principle God _____ me that I _____ eternal life by the
- 2. Read 1 John 5:6-9. From the sermon, what does the "water" and the "blood" refer to here?
 - a. What type of evidence do the "water" and "blood" provide for the validity of the gospel?
 - b. Read Matthew 3:13-17. How did God testify to who Jesus is here? Why do you think He did this?
 - c. Read Matthew 27:50-51. How did God testify to who Jesus is here? Why do you think He did this?
 - d. Why does it matter so much that Christianity is based in *history*?
 - e. What helps you to *remember* that Jesus literally lived among us? That He's an actual historical figure?
 - f. What type of evidence does the "Spirit" provide for the validity of the gospel? Consider 1 John 5:10 and 1 John 2:27.
 - g. What is significant about the three testifying (water, blood, Spirit) in light of Deuteronomy 19:15?

h. What is uniquely powerful about God giving us external AND internal evidence that the gospel is true?

- 3. Read 1 John 5:9-13. Why is everyone personally *responsible* to believe that gospel?
 - a. Why is it encouraging to you personally to know that *God* is the one who convinces me that I have eternal life by the gospel?
 - b. Why should it make you bold to share the gospel to know God is the one who convinces?
 - c. Is there any other way to get to Heaven beyond Jesus? Why?
 - d. Why can I be certain right NOW that I am going to Heaven forever?
 - e. How will you be impacted by grasping the certainty of Heaven for you more and more?