Living the Confident Life 1 John 2:18-29

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The church is in a battle for the truth about Jesus.

But Peter and John replied, "Judge for yourselves whether it is right in God's sight to obey you rather than God. 20 For we cannot help speaking about what we have seen and heard." Acts 4:19-20(NIV)

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was with God in the beginning. 3 Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. John 1:1-3(NIV)

But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name. John 20:31(NIV)

The ramifications of this truth are a matter of life and death.

They went out from us, 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. 1 John 2:19(NIV)

Matthew 13:24-30

If we belong to Christ, we will remain with Christ.

John 10:27-29

Matthew 24:24

Romans 8:31-39

being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus. Philippians 1:6(NIV)

Matthew 7:21-23

21 Now it is God who makes both us and you stand firm in Christ. He anointed us, 22 set his seal of ownership on us, and put his Spirit in our hearts as a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come. 2 Cor 1:21-22(NIV)

And now, dear children, continue in him, so that when he appears we may be confident and unashamed before him at his coming. 29 If you know that he is righteous, you know that everyone who does what is right has been born of him. 1 John 2:28-29(NIV)