



WHAT IT  
MEANS TO BE A  
CHRISTIAN

## Knowing That You Know

1 John 2:1-11

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We know that we know Jesus by our obedient love.

### 1. How Jesus is known (vv. 1-2)

Jesus stepped in and did what we could not do for ourselves.

Salvation is by grace alone, through faith alone, in Jesus alone.

### 2. The results of knowing Jesus (vv. 3-6)

How do we know we have come to know Jesus? Faith and obedience

Obedience is not legalism.

Legalism is when we use good deeds to earn God's favor.

Three signs of legalism:

1. Response to disappointment
2. Superiority
3. Assurance

Obedience is the overflow of good deeds because you have God's favor.

### 3. Knowing Jesus in action: Love (vv. 7-11)

Loving others has been central all along.  
(Deuteronomy 6:5, Leviticus 19:18)

Our love for and obedience to Jesus is expressed most in how well we love others.