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## **Inclusive Yet Exclusive**



## 1 John 5:1-12



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## POWER OF BELIEVING vs. 1

## Inclusive/ Exclusive

- The gospel message of Jesus is for everyone
  - All are spiritually dead with no hope of life without Jesus Romans 3:21-26
  - All who believe Jesus is the Christ Believe – wholehearted trust (without doubt) in the saving work of Jesus Christ (virgin birth, sinless life, sacrificial death, resurrection from the dead)



#### POWER OF BELIEVING vs. 1

#### Inclusive/ Exclusive

- The gospel message of Jesus is for everyone
- Born of God John 3:3-6
  - God pursuing love for humanity demonstrated through His redemptive plan
  - Conviction by the Holy Spirit for salvation



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#### JOHN 3:3-6

JESUS ANSWERED HIM, "TRULY, TRULY, I SAY TO YOU, UNLESS ONE IS BORN AGAIN HE CANNOT SEE THE KINGDOM OF GOD." NICODEMUS SAID TO HIM, "HOW CAN A MAN BE BORN WHEN HE IS OLD? CAN HE ENTER A SECOND TIME INTO HIS MOTHER'S WOMB AND BE BORN?" JESUS ANSWERED, "TRULY, TRULY, I SAY TO YOU, UNLESS ONE IS BORN OF WATER AND THE SPIRIT, HE CANNOT ENTER THE KINGDOM OF GOD. THAT WHICH IS BORN OF THE FLESH IS FLESH, AND THAT WHICH IS BORN OF THE SPIRIT IS SPIRIT. (ESV)



#### POWER OF BELIEVING vs. 1

# Inclusive/ Exclusive Proof Of Believing

- Love God first Matthew 22:37–38

  And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment."
- Love compassionate, Godly love for others Matthew 22:39 "And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself."
- God loves you



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## POWER OF OBEYING vs. 2-5

## Demonstrating What Is Known

- Certainty... without doubt
- · Love and obey God
- Love reveals the freedom of obedience
- Rejection God's commandment burdens and enslaves



### POWER OF OBEYING vs. 2-5

**Demonstrating What Is Known** 

Love... Obedience... Overcomer

- Everyone... all born of God... overcome the world
- Key to victory our faith
  - · Trusting and obeying God
  - · Agreeing with God
  - Seeking God



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## POWER OF OBEYING VS. 2-5

Demonstrating What Is Known Love... Obedience... Overcomer Victory For Only

- The one who believes
- · Jesus is the Son of God



## POWER OF TESTIFYING vs. 6-12

## Jesus Christ Testimony

- Water spiritual testimony Matthew 3:17
- Blood atoning death John 1:29
- The Spirit remaining John 1:32



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#### POWER OF TESTIFYING vs. 6-12

## Jesus Christ Testimony

## Man's Testimony Affirmed By God

- John gives a first-person account of the life, ministry, and signs of Jesus
- · God is the author of the plan of redemption that Christ makes known
- God's testimony will always be the strongest
- · Strongest affirmation of Jesus Christ
- The testimony of the believer affirms Jesus



#### POWER OF TESTIFYING vs. 6-12

Jesus Christ Testimony

Man's Testimony Affirmed By God

Refusing To Accept The Testimony

- Rejecting the gospel... Jesus is the Son of God that takes away the sins of the world...
- God has made that person a liar because they do not believe the testimony of God
- Remember...when sharing the gospel... the person is responding to God



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#### POWER OF TESTIFYING vs. 6-12

Jesus Christ Testimony Man's Testimony Affirmed By God Refusing To Accept The Testimony Simplified Truth

- Have Jesus... have life
- · Does not have Jesus.. Does not have life



HAVE YOU PUT YOUR FAITH IN JESUS CHRIST?

ARE YOU A LIVING TESTIMONY OF JESUS CHRIST?

