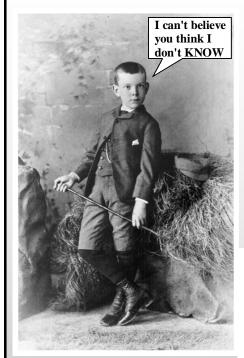
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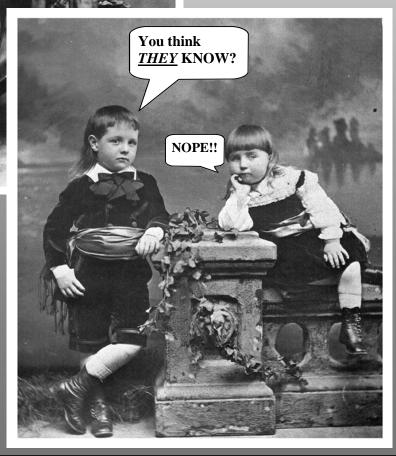












THINGS THAT WE CAN KNOW

(Study in 1 John)
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I. We can know that we are SAVED

A. THROUGH BELIEF ON THE LORD JESUS CHRIST

<u>1Jn 5:13</u> These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.

B. THROUGH OBEDIENCE TO GOD'S WORD AND WILL

- 1. Assurance comes through obedience to God's Word
- <u>1Jn 2:3</u> And hereby we do know that we know him, if we keep his commandments.
 - 2. Obedience is the NORM for a mature Christian—(Not the average Christian)
 - a) To lack holy living is to bring doubt and confusion
- <u>1Jn 2:4</u> He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.
- <u>1Jn 2:29</u> If ye know that he is righteous, ye know that every one that doeth righteousness is born of him.
 - b) To have a holy and mature life style is to bring assurance
- <u>1Jn 2:5</u> But whoso keepeth his word, in him verily is the love of God perfected: hereby know we that we are in him.
- 1Jn_5:19 And we know that we are of God, and the whole world lieth in wickedness.

C. THROUGH OUR LOVE OF THE BRETHREN

- 1. How do we KNOW when we love the brethren?
- <u>1Jn 5:2</u> By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep his commandments <u>1Jn 3:14</u> We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren. He that loveth not his brother abideth in death.
 - 2. God gave us the perfect example of love
- 1Jn 3:16 Hereby perceive we the love of God, because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren.

- a) To "Love" is to act, not feel warm an fuzzy!
- 1Jn 3:17 But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?
- 1Jn 3:18 My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth.
 - b) Our own heart will condemn us when we fail to do right toward others
- 1Jn 3:19 And hereby we know that we are of the truth, and shall assure our hearts before him.
- 1Jn 3:20 For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things.
- 1Jn 3:21 Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God.
 - D. THROUGH THE WITNESS OF THE SPIRIT OF GOD
- <u>1Jn 4:13</u> Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his Spirit.
- 1Jn 3:24 ... And hereby we know that he abideth in us, by the Spirit which he hath given us.

II. We can Know that we are Clean

- A. CHRIST HAS MADE US CLEAN
- - B. GOD WILL DEAL WITH THOSE OF HIS WHO REFUSE TO REPENT AND CEASE FROM SIN
- 1Jn 5:16 If any man see his <u>brother</u> sin a sin which is not unto death, he shall ask, and he shall give him life for them that sin not unto death. There is a sin unto death: I do not say that he shall pray for it.
- 1Jn 5:17 All unrighteousness is sin: and there is a sin not unto death.
- 1Jn 5:18 We know that whosoever is born of God <u>sinneth</u> not; (that is have a life of habitual sin) but he that is begotten of God keepeth himself, and that wicked one toucheth him not.
- 1Jn 5:19 And we know that we are of God, and the whole world lieth in wickedness.
- 1Jn 5:20 And we know that the Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may know him that is true, and we are in him that is true, even in his Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God, and eternal life.

III. We know it is the last time

- <u>1Jn 2:18</u> Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come, even now are there many antichrists; whereby we know that it is the last time.
- 2Ti 3:1 This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come.
- 2Ti 3:2 For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,
- 2Ti 3:3 Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good,
- 2Ti 3:4 Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God;
- 2Ti 3:5 Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.

- 2Ti 3:6 For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts,
- 2Ti 3:7 Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.
- 2Ti 3:12 Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.
- 2Ti 3:13 But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived.
- 2Ti 3:14 But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned *them;*
- 2Ti 3:15 And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.
- 2Ti 3:16 All scripture *is* given by inspiration of God, and *is* profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:
- 2Ti 3:17 That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works.

III. We can know the truth

- 11/10 2:20 But ye have an unction from the Holy One, and ye know all things.
- <u>1Jn 2:21</u> I have not written unto you because ye know not the truth, but because ye know it, and that no lie is of the truth.
- <u>1Jn_4:2</u> Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God:
- <u>1Jn 4:6</u> We are of God: he that knoweth God heareth us; he that is not of God heareth not us. Hereby know we the spirit of truth, and the spirit of error.

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know him that is true, and we are in him that is true, even in his Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God, and eternal life.

IV. We can know He is coming again and what that means for us

<u>1Jn 3:2</u> Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.

V. We can know that God hears our prayers

1Jn 5:14 And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us:

1Jn 5:15 And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him.

