



1 John 5:1 Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God, and everyone who loves Him who begot also loves him who is begotten of Him.

Here's the only qualification we can meet to become a child of God: believe in Jesus & receive Him as your Savior & salvation!

It's the nature of God to love EVERYONE! So with His love abiding in us, (Romans 5/5) we can't help but love people, by the Holy Spirit!

2 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and keep His commandments.

By being dead to sin, & alive in righteousness, (which takes place at the moment of your New-birth), & by being filled with the love & nature of God, you do love Him, because of His love for you. Because the Law of Moses was fulfilled by Jesus, that fulfillment lives within us, & thus we do keep the commandments of God, in spirit & in truth! This isn't to say that we don't make mistakes & commit acts of transgression personally, but it does mean that God doesn't lay them to our account, because He placed righteousness, (the righteousness of Jesus), to our account!

3 For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome.

God has seen to it that we are loved by Him, and that we're holy before Him, & He also empowered us to walk in agreement with His commandments which are: Love God, & love people! That's what Jesus referred to in the Gospels as the greatest commandment, & He overlapped both of them into one! Love is the fulfillment of the law, the New Testament says!

4 For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world — our faith.

Here is such a powerful 'double truth': You've already gotten the victory over the world, through the victory of Jesus! And, His faith that's alive in you (as part of you being a partaker of His divine nature), has placed His victory into you, & grants you authority to live in victory!

5 Who is he who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This truth is repeated for dramatic effect in your understanding! You don't earn victory over Satan, sin, darkness, fear, bondage, & in life: you already have these victories, through Jesus! The Holy Spirit living in you is your total & eternal victory over everything life can bring to you!

6 This is He who came by water and blood — Jesus Christ; not only by water, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit who bears witness, because the Spirit is truth.

The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Truth, & He is dedicated to revealing Jesus to you, in you & through you, & to lead you into ever-increasing revelation knowledge of the grace of God!

7 For there are three that bear witness in heaven: the Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit; and these three are one.

The Holy Trinity are totally & perfectly united in purpose, design, & desire!

8 And there are three that bear witness on earth: the Spirit, the water, and the blood; and these three agree as one.

The Holy Spirit is representing the Father & Son now on Earth, just as Jesus did for the Father!

9 If we receive the witness of men, the witness of God is greater; for this is the witness of God which He has testified of His Son.

Beyond the flow of everyone that is ministering the Gospel of Jesus in the world, the Holy Spirit is bearing witness for the Father of the Son, & convicts us of His righteousness!

10 He who believes in the Son of God has the witness in himself; he who does not believe God has made Him a liar, because he has not believed the testimony that God has given of His Son.

Unbelievers haven't turned God into a liar, (as it appears to say above). The Word of God tells us that God cannot lie! Unbelief in Jesus has the effect of lying to the mind of an unbeliever, whose mind is blinded by the powers of darkness!

11 And this is the testimony: that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son.

This is the Gospel message in a word: receive the eternal life of God through receiving Jesus!

12 He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life.

'Eternal life 101': be Born-again, have eternal life! Reject Jesus, live separated from God forever!

13 These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life, and that you may continue to believe in the name of the Son of God.

The Holy Spirit bears witness in our spirit that we are the children of God, heirs of God, co-heirs with Jesus. As we actively & consciously feed on faith in Him, we maximize our walk with Him & our ministry by Him!

14 Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us.

To know that we're born of God, sealed in Him & seated with Him, surely gives us courage, confidence & encouragement! We are one with Him, alive in Him, united with Him, & in Him we live, move, & have our being! He knows us, loves us, hears us, & has already blessed us with everything that we'll ever have need of!

15 And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we have asked of Him.

Since we are called, justified, purified, & glorified in union with Jesus, & since we rule & reign in life through Him, & since we have the victory in life, what opposition could God have to meeting our need, supplying our provision, & answering our prayers?

16 If anyone sees his brother sinning a sin which does not lead to death, he will ask, and He will give him life for those who commit sin not leading to death. There is sin leading to death. I do not say that he should pray about that.

Here's the power of intervention/intercession, which goes beyond just praying for people: genuine intercession is the giving out of the Gospel of Jesus! We have Jesus Himself as our chief example of how to make intercession for people: teach the truth of God to them, & lead them to Him! He also intervened in their bodily conditions by ministering healing & deliverance: He intervened in death, by raising people from the dead. Jesus didn't just pray for people, He spent most of His ministry actually flowing in the anointing of the Holy Spirit, going about doing good & healing those that were oppressed of the devil, for God was with Him! (Acts 10/38) The disciples/apostles then continued His pattern of ministering to people, & they turned the world upside down in doing so! Should we have any less of a ministry? Regarding the 'sin unto death' mentioned here, it speaks of a 'brother' sinning a sin, which doesn't cause his life to be taken. We have reference of sin unto death committed by Christians in Acts 5, & is referred to in 1 Cor. 11.

These are believers in Jesus, & obviously, walking in rebellion, disobedience, or in spiritual darkness can lead people into physical, emotional, mental, & lifestyle captivity. So we're to make intervention in everyone's life with the truth of Jesus as much as we can, helping to turn people from physical destruction. But this destruction doesn't come from God, for it is Satan that steals, kills, & destroys! (John 10:10) As long as someone is breathing on the earth, it's not too late to reach them with grace, love, & mercy, & a fresh revelation of the will of God concerning them!

17 All unrighteousness is sin, and there is sin not leading to death.

This death is physical death when pertaining to Christians. The rebellion by Ananias & Sapphira in Acts 5, & as happened to some of the Church members in the Church in Corinth mentioned in 1 Corinthians 11, Christians can walk in personal rebellion to the will, Word, & Spirit of God, & can lose their life, but not their spirit! (See 1 Cor. 5/1-5). A sinful pattern can certainly be broken out of our walk in the Lord, without it being deadly to us!

18 We know that whoever is born of God does not sin; but he who has been born of God keeps himself, and the wicked one does not touch him.

Here's a dynamic spiritual law that doesn't seem to be understood by a lot of people in the Body of Christ! Jesus carried away the sin of the world, He purged us from our sins with His own blood, We're now dead to sin & alive in righteousness, & God isn't imputing sin to us since Calvary! In fact, before the Law of Moses was formulated, God wasn't imputing sin to people! It was only under the dispensation of Law that God was reckoning sin to mankind! So for the entire history of mankind, there's been more time that God wasn't imputing sin to man than the time span that He was imputing it! Even though mankind has always been sinful since the fall of Adam & Eve in Eden, God only imputed during the time that the Law was convicting people of failing to keep the Law!

19 We know that we are of God, and the whole world lies under the sway of the wicked one.

Because we belong to the Lord, & are dead to sin & alive in righteousness & the world-at-large is dead in sin, we are ambassadors of Christ that have been entrusted & empowered with the truth of the Gospel of Christ Jesus!

20 And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us an understanding, that we may know Him who is true; and we are in Him who is true, in His Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God and eternal life.

Jesus reveals & reflects Abba-Daddy; the Holy Spirit reveals & reflects Jesus: we reflect them all to the world! Revelation knowledge gives us inspiration, impartation, comprehension, & holy motivation. It enables us to discern the truths of God & see them manifest in our midst. Jesus is God, & He is eternal life, & we're anointed to give this truth to the entire world! Jesus is the Truth, & we're giving Him to the world!

21 Little children, keep yourselves from idols. Amen.

Let us walk in the Truth, the Whole Truth, & abide in nothing but the Truth, in Jesus' name!

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