

Connect

Are you the type of person who needs to know all the facts and be 100% sure before making a decision, or are you comfortable "winging it" and seeing what happens? What is one area of life where you hate having any uncertainty?

Verses - 1 John 5:6-13 (CSB)

READ ALOUD:

6 Jesus Christ—he is the one who came by water and blood, not by water only, but by water and by blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. 7 For there are three that testify: 8 the Spirit, the water, and the blood—and these three are in agreement. 9 If we accept human testimony, God's testimony is greater, because it is God's testimony that he has given about his Son. 10 The one who believes in the Son of God has this testimony within himself. The one who does not believe God has made him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony God has given about his Son. 11 And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. 12 The one who has the Son has life. The one who does not have the Son of God does not have life. 13 I have written these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life.

Briefly restate the context. How is it encouraging, challenging, comforting, etc.?

Study: **Answer the questions together based on the Bible verses.**

1. According to vv.6-8, who are the "three that testify," and what is the common focus of their testimony? Why must they agree?

2. V.9 compares human testimony with God's testimony. How has John argued that we should accept God's testimony even more readily? (vv.6-9)

3. According to verses 11-12, what is the specific content of the testimony God has given us? Where is this "life" found?

4. Based on v.13, what was John's primary purpose? Who is he writing to? Why is that important?

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DISCUSS 1
John writes so that we may "know" we have eternal life right now. Pastor Takeshi urged us not to "waste" it. If eternal life is an intimate relationship with Jesus today and not just a future ticket to heaven... *What is one area of your life you want to "stop wasting" and start living with Him this week?*

DISCUSS 2
How does daily identifying with Jesus change the way you view your own mistakes or your need for approval from others?

Minister to one another sharing specific prayer requests.