



**Series: 1 John**

**Lesson: 13. The Testimony for Our  
Faith**

**Passage: 1 John 5:1–12**

**STRONGLY Recommended Reading: 1 John (weekly) & Gospel of John  
(at least once during our study)**

- **Being \_\_\_\_\_ of God (vv1–4)**
  - \_\_\_\_\_ is the condition of the new birth ('begetting').

*John 1:12 – But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name,*

- The result of loving the One Who 'begat' us is that we love others begotten by Him too.
  - Our \_\_\_\_\_ is one of the most underemphasized aspects of salvation.
  - We require the new birth to be part of God's family and love others; it's impossible otherwise! (cf. 3:11–14)



- Loving God \_\_\_\_\_ a love for others, both by implication and by cultivation.
- How does keeping God's commandments equate to His love?
- His commandments are not 'burdensome' because those begotten of God \_\_\_\_\_ the world.
  - Major theme (2:13–14; 4:4)
  - νίκη/νικάω –
- Our victory comes from \_\_\_\_\_ alone.
  - We know we have overcome the world because of Christ.

*John 16:33 – “These things I have spoken to you, so that in Me you may have peace. In the world you have tribulation, but take courage; I have overcome the world.”*

- Tribulation comes from the κόσμος [*kosmos*] described earlier in 2:15 – 17; 3:13.



- **The Testimony Concerning \_\_\_\_\_ (vv5–8)**

- John now focuses on the \_\_\_\_\_ of our faith so that faith has substance.
- He gives the \_\_\_\_\_ that proves Jesus is all He needs to be to guarantee our salvation.
  - He shows His divinity & humanity (cf. v1 & v5).
  - μαρτυρία/μαρτυρέω –
- The evidence:
  - Water –
  - Blood –
  - Spirit –

***John 15:26** – “When the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, that is the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify about Me,” (cf. John 14:26; 16:13–14)*

- He cites three witnesses to as proof for a reason (cf. Deut. 19:15; Matt. 18:16; John 5:31–39).



- The \_\_\_\_\_ of That Testimony (vv9–12)

- The 'lesser to greater' argument

- Why is this testimony so important?

- Jesus is the source of \_\_\_\_\_

(cf. 1:1–2; [2:17] 2:25; 3:14; 4:9; 5:11–13; 5:20).

### What Do We Do with This Text?

1. The true nature of \_\_\_\_\_ is to believe Who God says Jesus Christ is.

**Blanks:** Begotten, Faith, adoption, produces, overcome, faith, Jesus Christ, object, testimony, Necessity, eternal life, faith

