



WORKSHOP QUESTIONS & DISCUSSION

Spirit, Water & Blood (I John 5:1-13)

Love, Obedience and Overcoming

“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. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and keep His commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome. For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. Who is he who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?” I John 5:1-5 NKJV

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Question # 1

- What is it referring to when it says “loves Him who begot” vs. “loves him who is begotten by Him”?

- “By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and keep His commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome.” 1 John 5:2-3 NKJV*

- Question # 2**

- Why are love and obedience equated to one another?

- Question # 3**

- What commandments are we meant to obey?

- Question # 4**

- Why are we taught so often that keeping God's commands is impossible, when in fact the Word says it is not a burden?

- "For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. Who is he who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?" I John 5:4-5 NKJV*

- Question # 5**

- What does it mean to be an overcomer?

- Question # 6**

- Why is faith itself considered the victory?

Yahweh's Witnesses

“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. For there are three that bear witness in heaven: the Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit; and these three are one. And there are three that bear witness on earth: the Spirit, the water, and the blood; and these three agree as one.” I John 5:6-8 NKJV

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Question # 7

What does it mean that Jesus came by water and blood?

Question # 8

Describe and incident in the scriptures in which the Spirit bore witness regarding Y'shua.

“For there are three that bear witness in heaven: the Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit; and these three are one. And there are three that bear witness on earth: the Spirit, the water, and the blood; and these three agree as one.” 1 John 5:7-8 NKJV

Question # 9

How do the Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit bear witness in Heaven?

Question # 10

How do the Spirit, the water, and the blood bear witness on earth?

The Witness of God or the Witness of Men

“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. 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. And this is the testimony: that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life. 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." I John 5:9-13 NKJV

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Question # 11

What is the difference between the witness of God and the witness of men?

"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." I John 5:10 NKJV

Question # 12

- Why is not believing the testimony of Christ the same as calling God a liar?

- “And this is the testimony: that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life.” I John 5:11-12 NKJV*

Question # 13

- What does it mean to have life in the Son? (Think about here on earth and eternally.)

- “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.” I John 5:13 NKJV*

Question # 14

- What does it mean to believe in the name? Why is the name so critical?

NEXT WEEK

Spirit, Water, & Blood (1 John 5:1-13)