

How to Know That You Know That You Are Saved

Happy Mothers Day! May 12, 2024

Are you a born-again believer, a loving overcomer by faith?
1 John 5:1-5

1. Right belief = **confession** ; stating the truth
 - a. Peter (Matthew 16:15-16)
 - b. **Martha** (John 11:25-27)
 - c. Jesus before the Council (Matt. 26:63-64; Dan. 7:13-14)
2. Right **behavior** = filial devotion to the Father's offspring
 - a. John the apostle (John 1:12-13 and John 3:3)
 - b. Ananias said, “ **Brother** ” Saul (Acts 9:17)
3. Right motivation = love of God
 - a. When duty becomes **delight**
 - b. What God commands, God enables (Ezek. 36:36-37)
4. Right result = victory over the world (see Galatians 6:14)
 - a. Victory is a **gift** of God through Christ (1 Cor. 15:57)
 - b. Give up your small **ambitions**
5. Right dependence = faith in Jesus
 - a. Faith is coming to the end of **myself**
 - b. Faith **longs** to see the power and glory of God

On Your Own (better with others)

1. Is stating the correct answer to the question, “Who is Jesus?” a reliable indication that a person is saved? Why or why not?
2. Do you really have to love everybody who is a Christian? What makes that difficult especially in an election year? How can you love a brother or sister with whom you disagree politically?
3. *agree/disagree* (use Scripture to support your answer)

It is better to obey the commands of God, even if you obey from a wrong motivation, than to disobey.
4. BROWSE PSALM 119 paying attention to the following verses Psalm 119:16, 24, 35, 47, 70, 77, 92, 143, 174 on “delight.”
How is delighting in God’s Word like loving God?
5. The world system is anti- (against) Christ and largely godless in its organization and aims, pride, self-reliance, and selfishness. Do you think that you are part of a movement of Christians that has overcome the world? Why or why not?
6. What is one thing that you are depending solely on Jesus to do for you? In your personal life? In your family? In church? Pick one area and share what you are trusting God to do.