



THIS IS HOW WE KNOW

Scripture List & Worksheet

1 John 2:5-6: But if anyone obeys his word, love for God is truly made complete in them. **This is how we know we are in him:** Whoever claims to live in him must live as Jesus did.

1 John 2:18: Dear children, this is the last hour; and as you have heard that the antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists have come. **This is how we know it is the last hour.**

1 John 3:7-11: Dear children, do not let anyone lead you astray. The one who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous. The one who does what is sinful is of the devil, because the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil's work. No one who is born of God will continue to sin, because God's seed remains in them; they cannot go on sinning, because they have been born of God. **This is how we know who the children of God are and who the children of the devil are:** Anyone who does not do what is right is not God's child, nor is anyone who does not love their brother and sister. For this is the message you heard from the beginning: We should love one another.

1 John 3:16: **This is how we know what love is:** Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters.

1 John 3:19-24: **This is how we know that we belong to the truth** and how we set our hearts at rest in his presence: If our hearts condemn us, we know that God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Dear friends, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence before God and receive from him anything we ask, because we keep his commands and do what pleases him. And this is his command: to believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and to love one another as he commanded us. The one who keeps God's commands lives in him, and he in them. **And this is how we know that he lives in us:** We know it by the Spirit he gave us.

1 John 4:1-3: Dear friends, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world. **This is how you can recognize the Spirit of God:** Every spirit that acknowledges that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, but every spirit that does not acknowledge Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you have heard is coming and even now is already in the world.

1 John 4:6: We are from God, and whoever knows God listens to us; but whoever is not from God does not listen to us. **This is how we recognize the Spirit of truth and the spirit of falsehood.**

1 John 4:9: **This is how God showed his love among us:** He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him.

1 John 4:13: **This is how we know that we live in him and he in us:** He has given us of his Spirit.

1 John 4:17: **This is how love is made complete among us** so that we will have confidence on the day of judgment: In this world we are like Jesus.

1 John 5:2: **This is how we know that we love the children of God:** by loving God and carrying out his commands.

Practical Application:

How do these Scriptures reveal the love of God for us?

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List three misconceptions about what the love of God is or is not.

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How do these Scriptures help you to identify a true Gospel from a false Gospel?

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How do these Scriptures help you to identify a true believer from one who only professes faith?

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How is God asking you to personally respond to these Scriptures in your own life?

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