

1 John 2:3-6 (New American Standard Bible (1995 Update))

³ **By this we know that we have come to know Him, if we keep His commandments.** ⁴ The one who says, "I have come to know Him," and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him; ⁵ but **whoever keeps His word, in him the love of God has truly been perfected. By this we know that we are in Him:** ⁶ **the one who says he abides in Him ought himself to walk in the same manner as He walked.**

1 John 2:9-11 (New American Standard Bible (1995 Update))

⁹ **The one who says he is in the Light and yet hates his brother is in the darkness until now.** ¹⁰ The one who loves his brother abides in the Light and there is no cause for stumbling in him. ¹¹ But the one who hates his brother is in the darkness and walks in the darkness, and does not know where he is going because the darkness has blinded his eyes.

1 John 2:12-14 (New American Standard Bible (1995 Update))

¹² I am writing to you, little children, because your sins have been forgiven you for His name's sake. ¹³ **I am writing to you, fathers, because you know Him who has been from the beginning.** I am writing to you, young men, because you have overcome the evil one. I have written to you, children, because you know the Father. ¹⁴ I have written to you, fathers, because you know Him who has been from the beginning. I have written to you, young men, because you are strong, and the word of God abides in you, and you have overcome the evil one.

1 John 2:28-29 (New American Standard Bible (1995 Update))

²⁸ Now, little children, abide in Him, so that when He appears, we may have confidence and not shrink away from Him in shame at His coming. ²⁹ **If you know that He is righteous, you know that everyone also who practices righteousness is born of Him.**

1 John 3:1-3 (New American Standard Bible (1995 Update))

¹ See how great a love the Father has bestowed on us, that we would be called children of God; and *such* we are. **For this reason the world does not know us, because it did not know Him.** ² Beloved, now we are children of God, and it has not appeared as yet what we will be. We know that when He appears, we will be like Him, because we will see Him just as He is. ³ **And everyone who has this hope fixed on Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.**

1 John 3:13-24 (New American Standard Bible (1995 Update))

¹³ Do not be surprised, brethren, if the world hates you. ¹⁴ **We know that we have passed out of death into life, because we love the brethren.** He who does not love abides in death.

¹⁵ Everyone who hates his brother is a murderer; and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him. ¹⁶ **We know love by this, that He laid down His life for us; and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren.** ¹⁷ But whoever has the world's goods, and sees his brother in need and closes his heart against him, how does the love of God abide in him?

¹⁸ **Little children, let us not love with word or with tongue, but in deed and truth.** ¹⁹ **We will know by this that we are of the truth, and will assure our heart before Him** ²⁰ in whatever our heart condemns us; for God is greater than our heart and knows all things. ²¹ Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; ²² and whatever we ask we receive from Him, because we keep His commandments and do the things that are pleasing in His sight. ²³ **This is His commandment, that we believe in the name of His Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, just as He commanded us.** ²⁴ **The one who keeps His commandments abides in Him, and He in him. We know by this that He abides in us, by the Spirit whom He has given us.**

1 John 4:7-21 (New American Standard Bible (1995 Update))

⁷ Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. ⁸ **The one who does not love does not know God, for God is love.** ⁹ **By this the love of God was manifested in us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world so that we might live through Him.** ¹⁰ **In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.** ¹¹ **Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.** ¹² No one has seen God at any time; if we love one another, God abides in us, and His love is perfected in us. ¹³ **By this we know that we abide in Him and He in us, because He has given us of His Spirit.** ¹⁴ **We have seen and testify that the Father has sent the Son to be the Savior of the world.** ¹⁵ **Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God.** ¹⁶ We have come to know and have believed the love which God has for us. God is love, and the one who abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him. ¹⁷ **By this, love is perfected with us, so that we may have confidence in the day of judgment; because as He is, so also are we in this world.** ¹⁸ There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves punishment, and the one who fears is not perfected in love. ¹⁹ We love, because He first loved us. ²⁰ **If someone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for the one who does not love his brother whom he has seen, cannot love God whom he has not seen.** ²¹ And this commandment we have from Him, that the one who loves God should love his brother also.

1 John 5:1-4 (New American Standard Bible (1995 Update))

¹ **Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God, and whoever loves the Father loves the child born of Him.** ² **By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and observe His commandments.** ³ For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments; and His commandments are not burdensome. ⁴ **For whatever is born of God overcomes the world; and this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith.**