

CERTAIN ETERNITY



THE LETTER OF FIRST JOHN



GOAL 1:

Know and Live
A Certain Eternity

(Over 30 evidences of a transformed heart!)



GOAL 2:

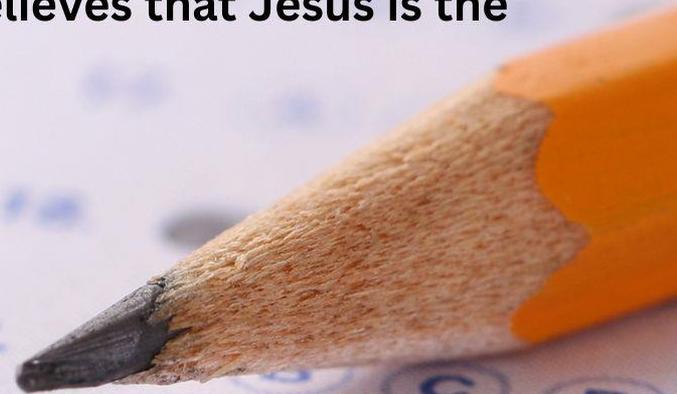
Know and Live
Yahweh's Kingdom
versus
the kingdom of the
world



GOAL 3:

Know and Live
Good Theology

1 Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him. 2 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. 3 For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. 4 For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. 5 Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?” 1 John 5:1-5



Those who are born of God...

- keep his commandments (1 John 2:3-4)
- walk as Christ walked (3:24)
- don't hate others but love them (2:9, 3:14, 4:7-8, 4:20)
- don't love the world (2:15)
- confess the Son and receive (have) him (2:23, 4:15, 5:12)
- practice righteousness (2:29)
- don't make a practice of sinning (3:6, 3:9-10, 5:18)
- possess the Spirit of God (3:24, 4:13)
- listen submissively to the apostolic Word (4:6)
- believe that Jesus is the Christ (5:1)
- overcome the world (5:4)

-compiled by John Piper from 1 John

Faith Test

Everyone who *believes* that
Jesus is the Christ has been
born of God



“Continual faith is the result of the new birth, not its cause. Christians do not keep themselves Born Again by believing, and lose their salvation if they stop believing. On the contrary, it is their perseverance in the faith that gives evidence that they have been born again. The faith that God grants in regeneration is permanent, and cannot be lost. Nor, as some teach, can it die, for dead faith does not save . There is no such thing as an ‘unbelieving believer.’”

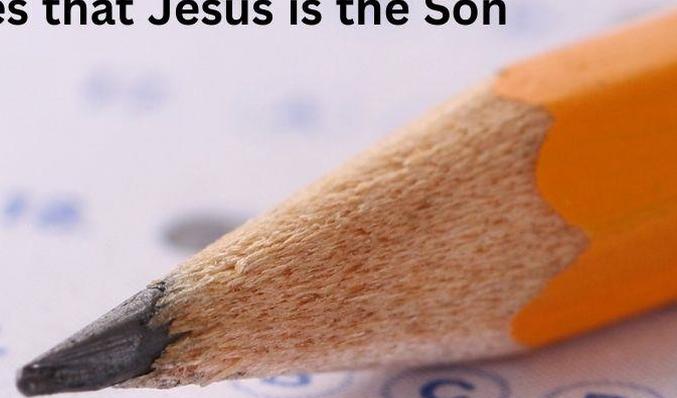
-John MacArthur

“Birth implies a certainty. There was a time when you were not born and a time when you were.”

Adrian Rogers



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“Nikao was a popular term among the Greeks, who believed that ultimate victory could not be achieved by mortals, but only by the gods. They even had a goddess named Nike, the goddess of victory who aided Zeus in his battle against the Titans. Against that pagan backdrop, it was stunning for the New Testament to assign to Christians the invincibility associated only with the gods.”

-John MacArthur

“I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.” John 16:33



“This faith overcomes the world, that is, it overcomes the enslaving power of the world to be our supreme treasure. Faith breaks the enslaving spell of the world’s allurements. By doing that, faith leads us into obedience with freedom and joy. God and His holy (commandments) will look beautiful and not burdensome. The new birth has taken the blinders off. We see things for what they are. We are free to obey with joy.”

- John Piper



A. Lincoln



Love Test

“7 Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God...21 And this commandment we have from him: whoever loves God must also love his brother.”

-1 John 4:7, 21

“2 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. 3 For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome.”

-1 John 5:2-3

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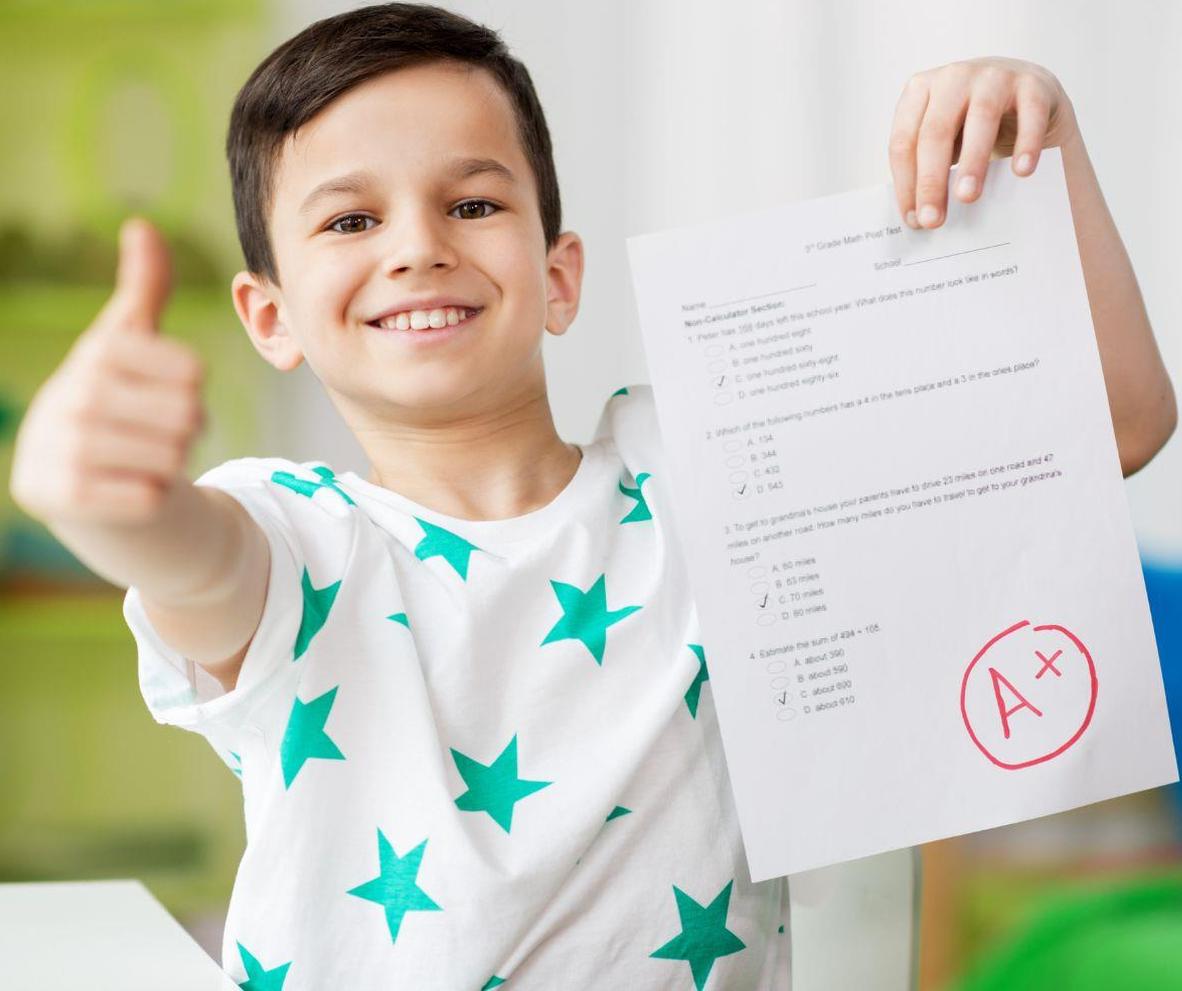
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2. Keep His Commandments

a. which are not burdensome

(Matthew 11:28-30)

“What you desire to do with your whole heart is not burdensome to do.” -John Piper



3rd Grade Math Post-Test

Name _____
School _____

Non-Calculator Section:

1. Peter has 188 days left this school year. What does this number look like in words?

- A. one hundred eight
- B. one hundred sixty
- C. one hundred sixty-eight
- D. one hundred eighty-six

2. Which of the following numbers has a 4 in the tens place and a 3 in the ones place?

- A. 134
- B. 344
- C. 432
- D. 543

3. To get to grandma's house your parents have to drive 23 miles on one road and 47 miles on another road. How many miles do you have to travel to get to your grandma's house?

- A. 65 miles
- B. 63 miles
- C. 70 miles
- D. 80 miles

4. Estimate the sum of $494 + 105$.

- A. about 350
- B. about 590
- C. about 600
- D. about 910

A+

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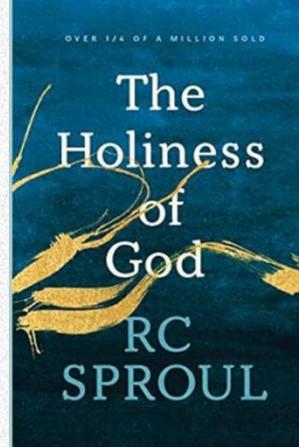
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New Study begins on
September 8th

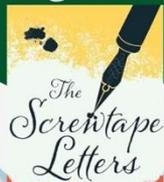
Time: 6:30pm
Place: 1745 Elm St
Bethlehem

Leaders: Sharon Brobst & Cheryl Nemeč

Please order your book and have first chapter read for
Sept 8th meeting.

Vine MEN'S STUDY

1st & 3rd Wednesdays
7 PM @ Millen's Home
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8/17 NAZ PARK 10 AM

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