

Blessed Assurance

How We Know That We Know

1 John 2:3-11

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Big Idea: Joyful obedience is the best proof of a genuine relationship with God.

The Question (v. 3)

How do we know that we know Him?

- “Know” – A personal, deepening, relational knowledge.

The Answer (v. 3)

We keep His commands.

- “Keep” – Not perfection, but a lifestyle of obedience modeled after Jesus.

The Result (vv. 5-6)

Our love for God grows.

- “Made complete” – To grow, mature, or fully experience.

The Evidence (vv. 7-11)

Love God  Love Others

- “Old command...New command” – Leviticus 19:18, John 13:34-35.

Bottom Line: Does your life reflect a real relationship with Christ?

Discussion Questions:

1. What does John want you to know in this passage?
2. How do we pursue consistent obedience without falling into legalism or trying to earn God's acceptance?
3. How have you seen obedience to God deepen your love for Him or help you experience His goodness more fully?
4. Why do you think John connects our love for God with the way we treat other people?
5. How can we apply the truth from this passage to our lives this week?