



## #5 Confident I'm In God's Family 1 John 5:1-21 (ESV)

**1 John 5:1** 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.

### We're In God's Family By Birth

1. There are two births: **PHYSICAL** and **SPIRITUAL**.

Both births share similar characteristics:

- a. One is born **INTO A FAMILY**.
  - b. Once one is born, that birth **CANNOT BE UNDONE**.
  - c. A child born both ways, **LOVING THEIR PARENTS**.
  - d. A child of both births bears **SIMILAR CHARACTERISTICS OR BIRTHMARKS**.
2. The Child of God carries at least three **BIRTHMARKS**.
    - a. **LOVE**
    - b. **OBEDIENCE**
    - c. **FAITH**

### This New Birth Is Accomplished Through Jesus

There are Four Witnesses that Prove it:

**1 John 5:7-9** For there are three that testify: <sup>8</sup> the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree. <sup>9</sup> If we receive the testimony of men, the testimony of God is greater, for this is the testimony of God that he has borne concerning his Son.

Four Witnesses:

1. The **WATER**
2. **BLOOD**
3. **Holy Spirit**
4. **God**

### We Can Be Confident We're In God's Family

1. John wrote this letter so we can **KNOW WE HAVE ETERNAL LIFE**.

**1 John 5:13** I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God that you may know that you have eternal life.

2. Lack of Assurance negatively affects:
  - a. **PRAYER LIFE**
  - b. **ABILITY TO WITHSTAND TEMPTATION**
  - c. **JOY, HOPE AND FAITH**
  - d. **EFFECTIVENESS OF ONE'S WITNESS**
  - e. **STUNTS SPIRITUAL GROWTH**

### How Does God's Family Live?

1. God's Children should live to **WORSHIP HIM** and stay away from **IDOLS**.

**1 John 5:21** Little children, keep yourselves from idols.

**Are You In God's Family Today?  
Are You Confident In That Relationship With Him?  
What's Your Direction?  
Are You Living A Life That Is Heading Toward  
Jesus Or Away From Jesus?**