



The Test for Distinguishing Who is Born of God
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I John 3

This chapter is what is known as a _____. The author is arguing with someone and we know the position of the person(s) that John is arguing with by his argument. John was wrestling with what is a form of pre-_____. They claimed re-birth in God – not in _____ or moral terms but in terms of _____; they possessed the divine nature and therefore could not _____ and were removed from any obligation to the _____. The essence of their belief was:

- a) freedom from the _____; b) rejected that Christ had come in the _____; c) spiritually exclusive, which lead to _____ of people;
- d) _____ the community because of their exclusive righteousness; e) deny the commandment to _____.

All of this lead to flagrant _____ behavior based upon the belief that they were “sinless.” Because they were _____ again, they were incapable of committing _____, calling themselves “sinless,” or “guiltless” or they believed that sins of the _____ were no longer of any concern to God. God did not care whether they sinned or not.

To correct this, John constructs a **Test for Distinguishing Who is Born of God.**

The Test: Vs. 29 – Everyone who does what is right is born of God – summary statement – master this and you pass the test.

- 1) Vs. 3:1-3 Everyone born of God _____ at the gift of grace – the love of God _____ on us that we should be children of God – we do not know what we will be, but we will be like him – when he _____ we shall be like him for we shall _____ him as he is – everyone _____ themselves as he is _____;

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2) Vs. 4-6 Everyone born of God knows that Jesus _____ to take away our sin – so no one who keep _____ lives in him – if you continue in sin you do not _____ him (agrees with his opponents)

3) V. 7-10 Everyone born of God knows that whoever does what is sinful is of the _____. The Son of God came to _____ the devil's work –no one born of God will continue to sin. The difference between a child of _____ and child of the devil is: a) anyone who does not do what is _____ is not a child of God; neither is anyone who does not love his _____.

John is raising the issue of the true test of the fact that one is born again is how one acts in _____: a) do the right thing in all _____ righteousness; b) _____ for the brothers and sisters. John is not stressing “sinless perfection” in one's nature or absolute moral conformity but we know that you are born of God by _____ expressed as doing the right thing in all _____ and love of the bothers and the sisters.

The rest of the chapter reinforces this teaching

Vs. 11 – message from the beginning – love one another

Vs. 12 – do not be like Cain who was a murderer –

Vs. 13 -- do not be surprised if the world hates you like Cain hated Abel

Vs. 14-15 – anyone who hates his brother or sister is a murder and love is not in them.

Vs. 16 – this then is how we know what love looks like: Jesus laid his life down for us and we should lay down our lives for the brothers and sisters

Vs. 17 – if anyone has possessions and sees his brother in need and does not help

Vs. 18 – let us not love in words or tongue but in action and in deed

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Glorious

Martha Munizzi

When you come into His presence
Lifting up the name of Jesus
And you hear the music playing
And you see the people praising

Just forget about your worries
Let your troubles fall behind you
Don't you wait another minute
Just get up and on your feet and

Get to Dancing
Singing
Jumping
Leaping

Get to Shouting
Make it loud and
Make it Glorious

Start Rejoicing
Praising
Lifting
Raising

Get to Shouting
Make it loud and
Make His Praise
Glorious
Glorious

I was created to make Your praise Glorious
I was created to make Your praise Glorious, Glorious, Yes I was, Yes I was
I was created to make Your praise Glorious
I was created to make Your praise Glorious, Glorious, Yes I was, Yes I was



Hallelujah, You're Worthy

Sharon Jackson

Hallelujah, You're worthy
Hallelujah, Lord You're worthy
Hallelujah forevermore

You're my king, You're holy
You're my king, Lord You're holy
You're my king forevermore

How I love You so sweetly
How I love You so sweetly
How I love You forevermore

I adore You completely
I adore You completely
I adore You forevermore

You're my king, You're holy
You're my king, Lord You're holy
You're my king forevermore

You're so worthy, You're so worthy Lord
You're so worthy, You're so worthy Lord
And so I praise You, give You glory
You're so worthy

You're so holy, You're so holy Lord
You're so holy, You're so holy Lord
And so I praise You, give You glory
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