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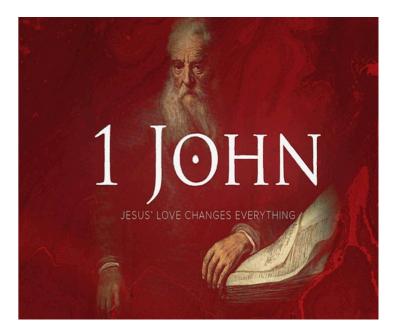
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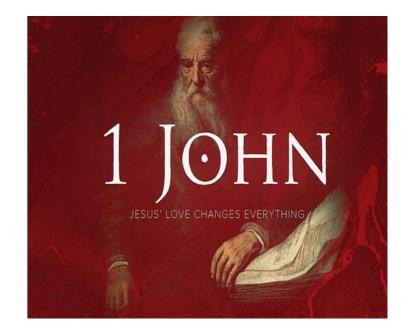
Written for you *but* not to you.

- Reading it with a perfomance lens will lead to a wrong reading.
- Written to give you assurance.
- Faith is a vital interpretive key, but handles are provided.



1 John 5:1-12 "Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God... This is the victory that has overcome the world, even our faith. Who is it that overcomes the world? Only the one that believes that Jesus is the Son of God... the Spirit, the water and the blood...

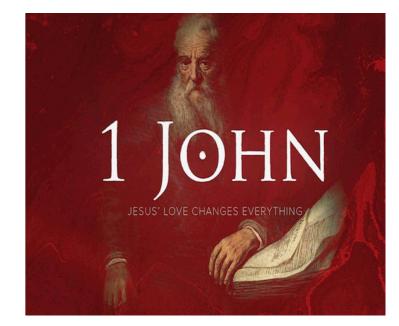
And this is the testimony: *that* God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life.



1 John 5:1 "Everyone who believes *that Jesus is the Christ* is born of God."

Can it really be that simple?

YES!!!!



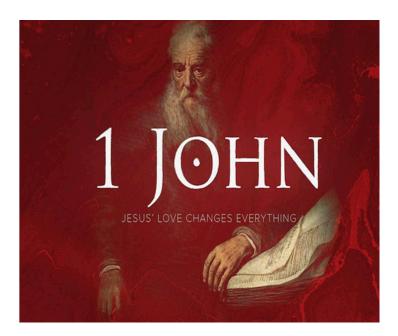
Jesus said, "come follow me." Matthew 4:19

Paul said "if you confess Jesus is Lord..." Romans 10:9

John says "Everyone who believes Jesus is the Christ..." Salvation rests entirely on the Person of Jesus Christ.

Your faith doesn't make it happen, it makes you a full-fledged subjective participant in what has <u>already happened.</u>

Faith makes what Jesus has done real and present, TO YOU!



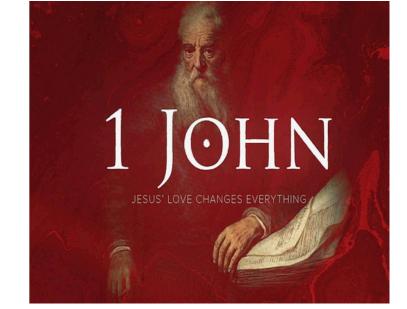
Our faith is to rest in a Person who did it all for us.

"This is the victory that HAS overcome the world, even our faith...only the one that *believes* Jesus is the Son of God." 1 John 5:4-5 **OHN**

Spirit, Water, Blood

"there are three the testify; the Spirit, the water and the blood, and the three are in agreement." 1 John 5:7-8

HOW? & WHAT?



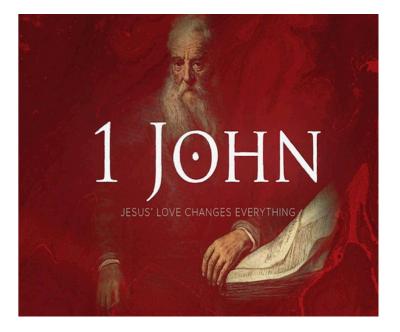
Zach's interpretation... Leviticus 8 - Public Ordination

Lev. 8: 5-6 "...washed them with water..."

Lev. 8:10-12 "....some of the *anointing oil*..."

Lev. 8:22-24 "....took some of its <u>blood</u>..."

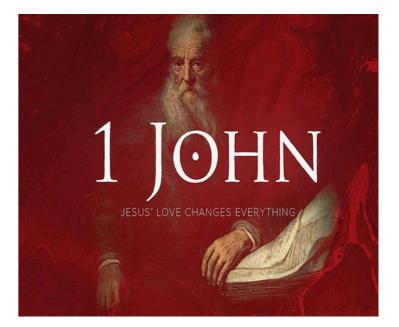
Jesus publicly revealed at His Baptism.



The Spirit

"...the One on whom you see the Spirit descending on and remaining." John 1:32

"He will testify of Me." John 15:26



The Water

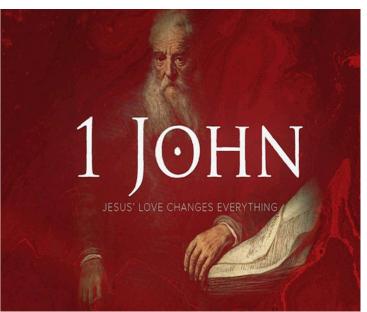
"Permit it to be so, for it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Matt. 3:15

Jesus had no need to be washed, but followed the public procedure to validate that he was coming as the Anointed and Consecrated of God. The Blood "Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world." John 1:29

"Jesus the Mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel." Hebrews12:24

The Blood speaks, it says:

- * It is finished
- * Sacrifices are over
- * Religious works are obsolete
- * Shows us the depths of our sin
- * Shows us the depths of God's
- love
- * That Jesus is the Christ, the Messiah of God



Only the Blood of Jesus <u>works</u>!

Hebrews 9:14 "how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works."

God's testimony: "[He] God has given us eternal life, and that life is in His Son."

There are sign posts and handles for this testimony, the Spirit, the water, the blood, and now, YOU! 1 JOHN

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