

If John: He Who Abides in Christ has Eternal Life

Key Verse 5:13

	Abide in the Light	Abide in Love	Abide in Assurance
1:1 We proclaim eternal life	Walk in the Light	Live as a Child of God	Love one Another
1:5 Message: God is light			
2:1 Jesus: Expiation for sins			
2:7 True light/darkness			
2:12 Writing to you...			
2:15 Do not love world			
2:18 He who denies son	Abide in Christ		
2:26 Anointing you received			
2:28 Abide in Him			
3:1 We are God's children			
3:4 Sin is lawlessness			
3:11 Love one another			
3:19 Commandment: Believe, Love			
4:1 Test the spirits			
4:7 The love of God			
4:13 Who abides in God			
5:1 Keep commandments			
5:6 Testimony to son	Assurance of Eternal Life		
5:13 You have eternal life			
5:18 One born of God			
5:19 We are of God			
5:20 Him who is true			

When was church planted?

??? (53 - 55 AD if Asia Minor)

When Written?

80's - 90's AD

Who wrote and why?

John wrote it, to warn about false teachers, to confirm salvation, and to make a clear distinction between light and darkness

Main Idea?

Abide in God, love one another

Distinguishing characteristic?

Discusses antichrist

Historical Background?

Gnosticism; body is evil and spirit is pure, pursuit of salvation through knowledge