

## PROVE IT! JESUS IS GOD

1 John 5:6-9

### 1 John 5:6 *Came by water and blood*

First and last \_\_\_\_\_ appearances of Christ: Baptism and the cross

Baptism: Mt 3:13-17 Time of real declaration concerning Jesus.

It's not enough to believe in His birth/baptism (water). When you put your trust in Him you've got to put your trust in the fact that it is also the \_\_\_\_\_ that gets you to heaven.

*... it is the spirit that beareth witness...* Holy Spirit verifies message inside heart of believer.

John 15:26; 16:14

We weren't around when Christ was born or baptized or when He shed His blood on the cross but the \_\_\_\_\_ was!

Father--\_\_\_\_\_ witness

Holy Spirit --\_\_\_\_\_ witness Romans 8:15 - 16

Wiersbe: *The Law requires 2 or 3 witnesses for a matter to be settled (Deut 19:15). The Father witnessed at the baptism and at the cross, and the Spirit witnesses today \_\_\_\_\_ the believer. The Spirit, the water and the blood settle the matter: Jesus is God.*

### 1 John 5:7 Three heavenly witnesses to deity of Christ:

**Bear record:** – give evidence; \_\_\_\_\_; be a witness to fact that Jesus is God.

Proves the Trinity. Within the nature of the one God are three persons, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. These three are called God and there is only one God.

**Father**--called God: God the Father used 13X in NT. Jn 12:28 Matt 27:45, 50 - 54

**Word**--called God: John 1:1-4, 14, 18 Heb 1: 8

**Spirit**--called God:

Easton: *divinity established*

(1.) *from the fact that the \_\_\_\_\_ of God are ascribed to him (Ex. 17:7; Ps. 95:7; compare Heb. 3:7-11); and*

(2.) *that divine attributes are also ascribed to him, omnipresence (Ps. 139:7; Eph. 2:17, 18; 1 Cor. 12:13); omniscience (1 Cor. 2:10, 11); omnipotence (Luke 1:35; Rom. 8:11); eternity (Heb. 9:4).*

(3.) \_\_\_\_\_ is ascribed to him (Gen. 1:2; Job 26:13; Ps. 104:30), and the working of miracles (Matt. 12:28; 1 Cor. 12:9-11).

(4.) Worship is required and ascribed to him (Isa. 6:3; Acts 28:25; Rom. 9:1; Rev. 1:4; Matt. 28:19).

**1 John 5:7 Holy Spirit** sent to bear \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ. John 15:26; 16:14

Only one present today who was present at baptism of Christ is Holy Spirit.

Witness of the Holy Spirit is \_\_\_\_\_ ...agrees with witness of water and the blood.

Witnesses to validity of baptism and crucifixion of Christ --He was \_\_\_\_\_ !

**1 John 5:8 Witness in earth:** from human realm.

*Agree:* exist, happen, take place; live; be located in; remain, stay; come

Witness #1: *Spirit* bears witness \_\_\_\_\_ us. Confirms in hearts Romans 8:15 - 16

Phillips: ...*that still, small voice of God bringing its assurance that all is well. ...*(Rom 8:16).

Spirit confirms presence by Word of God. 1 Corinthians 2:14

Believer has kindred spirit with God's people because of the witness of the Spirit in him.

Witness #2, the *water* bears witness \_\_\_\_\_ us. Water baptism.

Witness #3—the *blood*, which bears witness \_\_\_\_\_ us. Jesus became our propitiation (mercy seat) by shedding His blood for our sins. Heb 12:24

**1 John 5:9** The *witness in earth* is one thing but the *record in heaven* is \_\_\_\_\_ important.

What people say is great. However, what God says is more important.

Phillips: *The Bible is true – and it is absolutely incumbent upon us that we believe the Lord Jesus Christ and accept God's Word at its \_\_\_\_\_ value.*

Ask an unbeliever if He trusts Christ with all His heart. He will say, " \_\_\_\_\_ ."

Ask a believer if He trusts Christ with all His heart and he will say, " \_\_\_\_\_ ."

What is the difference? The internal confirmation or witness in the heart of the Believer.

Questions for discussion:

1. Discuss *Came by water and blood* in v. 6

2. What is the difference between witness in earth (8) and record in heaven (9)

3. What is the "Spirit, water, and blood" describing in v. 8