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## Volume: 3 Acceptance With God Acceptance With God Lesson: 23 Lesson: 23 1. In whom has God made us accepted? **NOTE:** Faith and feeling should not be confounded. Faith is ours to exercise "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath in the Word of God, regardless of our feelings, and often in blessed us with all spiritual blessings. . . in Christ: according as He hath chosen us in Him. . . to the praise of the glory of His grace, opposition even to our feelings. Many fail to accept the pardon and " wherein He hath made us \_\_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ assurance of the acceptance of Heaven, because they do not take God at Ephesians 1:3-6 His word, but instead turn their attention to their changeable moods and feelings. Faith always precedes the joyful feelings, which naturally result 2. What great gift comes with our acceptance of Christ? from the assurance of forgiveness and acceptance. This order is never "And this is the will of Him that sent Me, that every one which seeth reversed. the Son, and believeth on Him, may have and I will raise him up at the last day." John 6:40 See also John 6. How only do any become children of God? 17:2. "Ye are all the children of God by \_\_\_\_\_\_ in Christ \_\_\_\_\_\_." Galatians 3:26 3. What is the first and primary evidence of our acceptance with 7. What is the foundation of faith? God? "If we receive the witness of men, *the of God is* "Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the of ." Romans : for this is the witness of God which He hath of His 10:17 \_\_\_\_\_. And this is the record, that \_\_\_\_\_ hath given to us \_\_\_\_\_, and this \_\_\_\_\_\_ is in His \_\_\_\_\_."1 John 5:9-11 8. What assurance has the believer of his union with God? "Hereby know we that we dwell in Him, and He in us, *because* hath given\_\_\_\_ of His\_\_\_\_\_." 1 John 4:13 NOTE.- The primary basis of all faith and acceptance is the word of 9. What three definite witnesses of acceptance are mentioned by John? God. - that which God Himself has said. To receive and believe this is the first essential to salvation. - the first evidence of acceptance. "There are three that bear witness in earth, the , and the , and the : and these three agree in one." **1 John 5:8** 4. Why did John write his testimony concerning God's love and 10. How does the Spirit witness to our acceptance with God? purpose in giving Christ? "These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the "Because ye are sons, God bath sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your Son of God; that ye may know that ye have \_\_\_\_\_\_ life, and that ye hearts, crying, *Abba, Father*." Gal. 4:6. "The Spirit itself beareth witness may \_\_\_\_\_ on the name of the \_\_\_\_\_ of God." 1 John 5:13 "These are written, that ye might \_\_\_\_\_ that \_\_\_\_\_ is the with our spirit, that we are the children of God. " Romans. 8:16 \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_ of God; and that believing ye might have life through 11. Of what is Christian baptism an evidence? His name." John 20:31 "As many of you as have been baptized into Christ have on ." Galatians 3:27 5. What witness does the true believer in Christ have that he is accepted of God?

"He that believeth on the Son of God *hath the \_\_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_:* he that believeth not God hath made Him a liar: because he believeth not the record that God gave of His Son." 1 John 5:10

**NOTE:** In baptism, the water and the Spirit both bear witness of God's acceptance. The same Spirit which, at Christ's baptism, said, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased," witnesses to the acceptance of every sincere believer at his baptism.

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