

Faith and Knowledge in 1 John

Exploring the relationship between faith, knowledge, and divine revelation.



Thought Block Bible Study



A woman with long dark hair is sitting at a desk by a window, reading an open book. She is wearing a dark top and has her hand near her face in a thoughtful pose. The room is dimly lit, with a strong red light coming from the window, creating a dramatic atmosphere. The window shows some foliage outside.

The Concept of 'Knowing' in 1 John

1 Experiential Knowledge

Beyond intellectual understanding, rooted in relationship with God.

2 Certainty of Relationship

Assurance of believers' connection to God through Christ.

3 Transformative Understanding

Knowledge that changes lives, not mere information.

Evidences of Knowing God



Obedience

Keeping God's commandments demonstrates true knowledge of Him.



Indwelling Spirit

Holy Spirit's presence affirms fellowship with God.



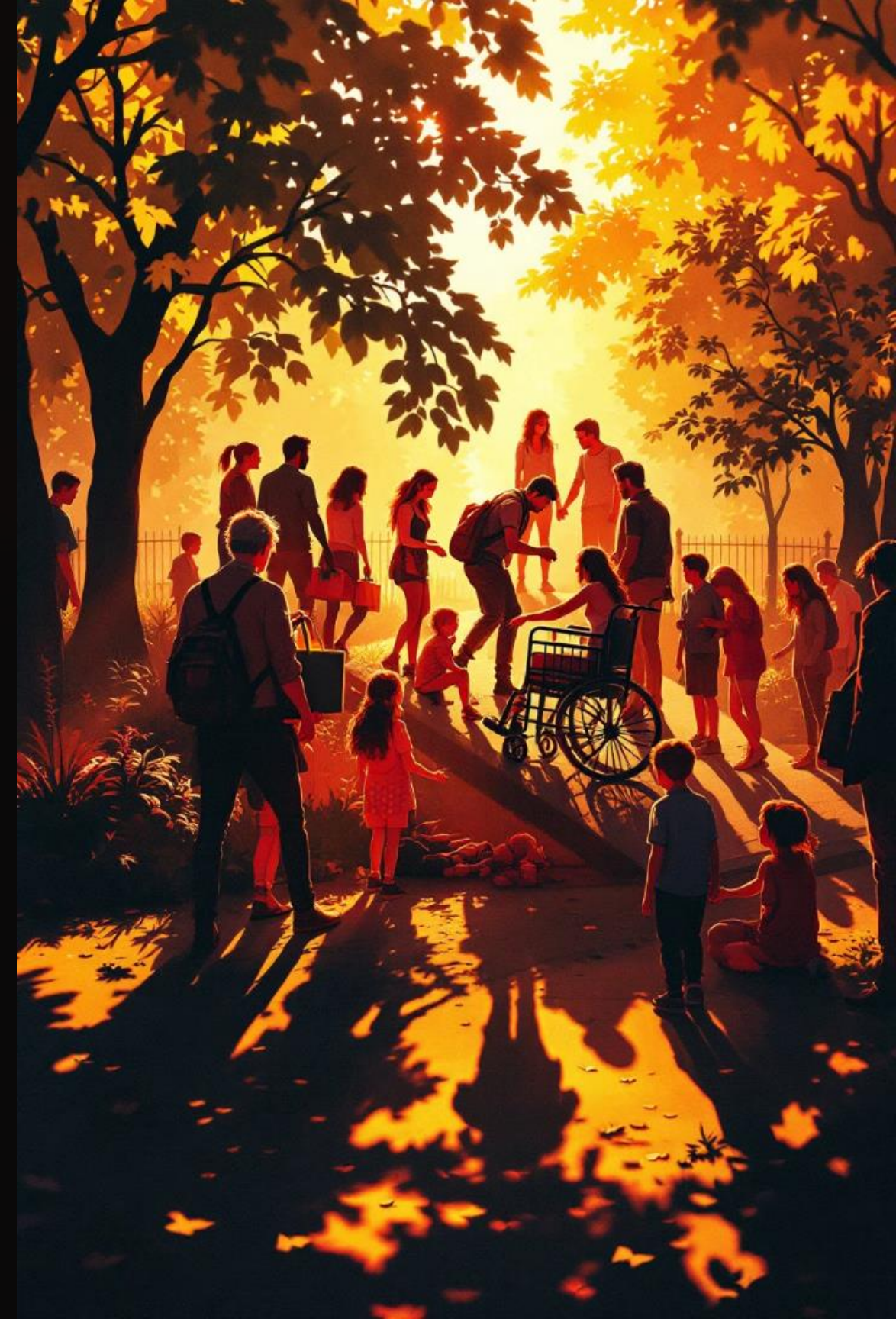
Love

Genuine love for others signifies knowing God.



Eternal Life

Assurance of eternal life through faith in Christ.





Grounding Faith in Reality

1

Incarnation Witness

Apostles' physical encounters with Jesus provide historical foundation.

2

Obedience as Proof

Active commitment to God's will demonstrates genuine faith.

3

Spirit's Confirmation

Holy Spirit enables discernment and abiding in God.

Nature of Faith in 1 John

Personal Revelation

Faith as intimate, experiential relationship with God.

Transformative Experience

Faith changes believers through God's love and presence.

Spirit-Led Connection

Holy Spirit guides and assures believers of faith.



Divine Origin of Faith

1

God's Self-Revelation

Faith begins with God's choice to reveal Himself.

2

Spirit's Indwelling

Holy Spirit confirms and strengthens faith in believers.

3

God's Love Initiative

Divine love enables human response of faith.



Knowing Through Divine Revelation

Christ's Incarnation

Jesus as God's ultimate self-disclosure to humanity.

Spirit's Guidance

Holy Spirit provides insight and assurance to believers.

God's Testimony

Divine witness about Christ grounds believers' knowledge.

Experiential Love

God's love transforms believers, revealing His nature.



Implications for Biblical Studies

Faith

Not merely intellectual, but relational and experiential

Knowledge

Rooted in divine revelation, not human reasoning

Assurance

Based on God's testimony and Spirit's witness