

Study Objectives



MPLS
April 12, 2021

- Open
- Web Site Materials
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- Songs
- Reading
- Forest – Trees - Who We Are
- MacArthur vs N.T. Wright WHY? John's tooling us up.
- Reference: 1 JN 2. 7-11 Structural Diagram
- Q & A

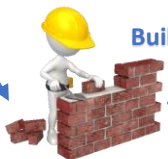
The Sabbath Rest Experiential Christianity

Sabbath Rest



Ga 5:24 And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. (RSV)

Sabbath Rest



Building Blocks of Faith

- Definitions
- Synonyms
- Apostolic/Scriptural Unfolding – NT Epistles Interpretive Lens
- Exhortational Foundation

Fellowship of LIFE



Building Blocks of Faith

- Have LIFE
- Testimony of the Father
- Having Believed Evidence of Faith
- Promise of the Spirit

Blood of Christ



Building Blocks of Faith

- Incarnate God; Birth God/Man; New Creation
- Reality of the Blood; Human; Man
- Curse/LIFE
- Blood of Old/Blood of New
- Cry of the Heart "Abba Father"; Peace with God
- Experience of LIFE

Study Method



Building Blocks of Faith

- Methodical Bible Study: Basic & Advanced Step
- Kipling in Experience
- Epistolary Method: Experience of Resident Life
- Know by the Knowing Experience

*I never asked you to live the Christian life,
I came to share MY LIFE with you.*

The Church in the Wildwood

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1. There's a church in the val-ley by the wild-wood,



No love - li - er place in the dale;

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A photograph of Charity Gayle performing on stage. She is wearing a dark, sleeveless top and a headband, holding a microphone and looking upwards. The background is a bright, hazy stage light.

**THANK YOU JESUS
FOR THE BLOOD**

Charity Gayle

Reading the Epistle

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5 This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him is no darkness at all. **6** If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not live according to the truth; **7** but if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. **8** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. **9** If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. **10** If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

2:1 My little children, I am writing this to you so that you may not sin; but if any one does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; **2** and he is the expiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

3 And by this we may be sure that we know him, if we keep his commandments. **4** He who says “I know him” but disobeys his commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him; **5** but whoever keeps his word, in him truly love for God is perfected. By this we may be sure that we are in him: **6** he who says he abides in him ought to walk in the same way in which he walked.

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12 I am writing to you, little children, because your sins are forgiven for his sake. **13** I am writing to you, fathers, because you know him who is from the beginning. I am writing to you, young men, because you have overcome the evil one. I write to you, children, because you know the Father. **14** I write to you, fathers, because you know him who is from the beginning. I write to you, young men, because you are strong, and the word of God abides in you, and you have overcome the evil one.

15 Do not love the world or the things in the world. If any one loves the world, love for the Father is not in him. **16** For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the pride of life, is not of the Father but is of the world. **17** And the world passes away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever.

18 Children, it is the last hour; and as you have heard that antichrist is coming, so now many antichrists have come; therefore we know that it is the last hour. **19** They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would have continued with us; but they went out, that it might be plain that they all are not of us.

20 But you have been anointed by the Holy One, and you all know. **21** I write to you, not because you do not know the truth, but because you know it, and know that no lie is of the truth. **22** Who is the liar but he who denies that Jesus is the Christ? This is the antichrist, he who denies the Father and the Son. **23** No one who denies the Son has the Father. He who confesses the Son has the Father also. **24** Let what you heard from the beginning abide in you. If what you heard from the beginning abides in you, then you will abide in the Son and in the Father. **25** And this is what he has promised us, eternal life.

26 I write this to you about those who would deceive you; **27** but the anointing which you received from him abides in you, and you have no need that any one should teach you; as his anointing teaches you about everything, and is true, and is no lie, just as it has taught you, abide in him.

28 And now, little children, abide in him, so that when he appears we may have confidence and not shrink from him in shame at his coming. **29** If you know that he is righteous, you may be sure that every one who does right is born of him.

3:1 See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. **2** Beloved, we are God’s children now; it does not yet appear what we shall be, but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. **3** And every one who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

4 Every one who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. **5** You know that he appeared to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. **6** No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. **7** Little children, let no one deceive you. He who does right is righteous, as he is righteous. **8** He who commits sin is of the devil; for the devil has sinned from the beginning. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the works of the devil. **9** No one born of God commits sin; for God’s nature abides in him, and he cannot sin because he is born of God. **10** By this it may be seen who are the children of God, and who are the children of the devil: whoever does not do right is not of God, nor he who does not love his brother.

11 For this is the message which you have heard from the beginning, that we should love one another, **12** and not be like Cain who was of the evil one and murdered his brother. And why did he murder him? Because his own deeds were evil and his brother’s righteous. **13** Do not wonder, brethren, that the world hates you. **14** We know that we have passed out of death into life, because we love the brethren. He who does not love abides in death. **15** Any one who hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him. **16** By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us; and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren. **17** But if any one has the world’s goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God’s love abide in him? **18** Little children, let us not love in word or speech but in deed and in truth.

19 By this we shall know that we are of the truth, and reassure our hearts before him **20** whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. **21** Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence before God; **22** and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. **23** And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. **24** All who keep his commandments abide in him, and he in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit which he has given us.

4:1 Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are of God; for many false prophets have gone out into the world. **2** By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit which confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is of God, **3** and every spirit which does not confess Jesus is not of God. This is the spirit of antichrist, of which you heard that it was coming, and now it is in the world already.

4 Little children, you are of God, and have overcome them; for he who is in you is greater than he who is in the world. **5** They are of the world, therefore what they say is of the world, and the world listens to them. **6** We are of God. Whoever knows God listens to us, and he who is not of God does not listen to us. By this we know the spirit of truth and the spirit of error.

7 Beloved, let us love one another; for love is of God, and he who loves is born of God and knows God. **8** He who does not love does not know God; for God is love. **9** In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. **10** In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the expiation for our sins. **11** Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. **12** No man has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us.

13 By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his own Spirit. **14** And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. **15** Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God. **16** So we know and believe the love God has for us. God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him.

17 In this is love perfected with us, that we may have confidence for the day of judgment, because as he is so are we in this world. **18** There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and he who fears is not perfected in love. **19** We love, because he first loved us. **20** If any one says, “I love God,” and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, cannot love God whom he has not seen. **21** And this commandment we have from him, that he who loves God should love his brother also.

5:1 Every one who believes that Jesus is the Christ is a child of God, and every one who loves the parent loves the child. **2** By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. **3** For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. **4** For whatever is born of God overcomes the world; and this is the victory that overcomes the world, our faith. **5** Who is it that overcomes the world but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

6 This is he who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. **7** And the Spirit is the witness, because the Spirit is the truth. **8** There are three witnesses, the Spirit, the water, and the blood; and these three agree. **9** If we receive the testimony of men, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has borne witness to his Son. **10** He who believes in the Son of God has the testimony in himself. He who does not believe God has made him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony that God has borne to his Son. **11** And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. **12** He who has the Son has life; he who has not the Son of God has not life.

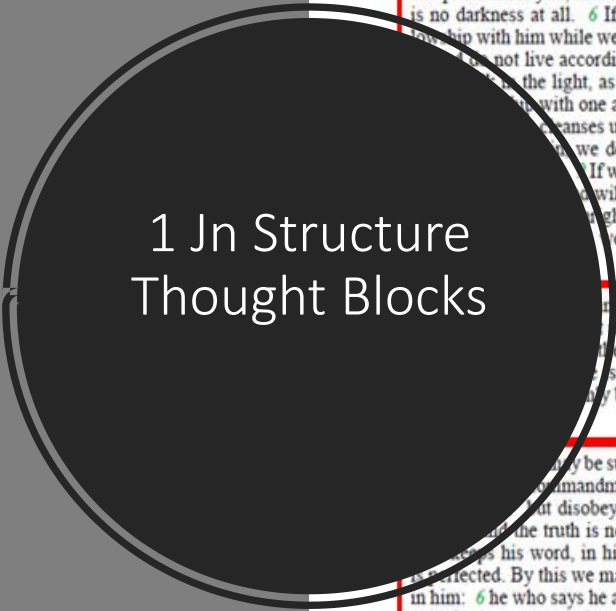
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18 We know that any one born of God does not sin, but He who was born of God keeps him, and the evil one does not touch him.

19 We know that we are of God, and the whole world is in the power of the evil one.

20 And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us understanding, to know him who is true; and we are in him who is true, in his Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God and eternal life. **21** Little children, keep yourselves from idols.

1 John RSV



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11 Writing this to you so that you will not be deceived by anyone who does sin, we know that the Father, Jesus Christ who came in the flesh, is the expiation for our sins, and not only for our sins but also for the sins of the whole world. 12 Therefore, if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. 13 If anyone confesses his sins, he shall have mercy and forgiveness of sins. 14 We know that anyone who sins is born of the devil. 15 Therefore, if anyone sees his brother who has gone astray and does not help him, but rather shares in his sins, his sin also will be shared. 16 If anyone sins and does not confess his sin, his sin will be forgiven, but he will die because he does not confess his sin. 17 If anyone confesses his sin, he will have mercy and forgiveness of sins. 18 We know that anyone who does not love his brother who has remained in the world, he is the one who has gone astray and does not have the Father and the Son. 19 If anyone greets him, he shares in his sins. 20 If anyone sins and does not confess his sin, he will have his sin forgiven, but he will die because he does not confess his sin. 21 If anyone sins and does not confess his sin, he will have his sin forgiven, but he will die because he does not confess his sin. 22 If anyone sins and does not confess his sin, he will have his sin forgiven, but he will die because he does not confess his sin. 23 If anyone sins and does not confess his sin, he will have his sin forgiven, but he will die because he does not confess his sin. 24 If anyone sins and does not confess his sin, he will have his sin forgiven, but he will die because he does not confess his sin. 25 If anyone sins and does not confess his sin, he will have his sin forgiven, but he will die because he does not confess his sin. 26 If anyone sins and does not confess his sin, he will have his sin forgiven, but he will die because he does not confess his sin. 27 If anyone sins and does not confess his sin, he will have his sin forgiven, but he will die because he does not confess his sin. 28 If anyone sins and does not confess his sin, he will have his sin forgiven, but he will die because he does not confess his sin. 29 If anyone sins and does not confess his sin, he will have his sin forgiven, but he will die because he does not confess his sin. 30 If anyone sins and does not confess his sin, he will have his sin forgiven, but he will die because he does not confess his sin. 31 If anyone sins and does not confess his sin, he will have his sin forgiven, but he will die because he does not confess his sin. 32 If anyone sins and does not confess his sin, he will have his sin forgiven, but he will die because he does not confess his sin. 33 If anyone sins and does not confess his sin, he will have his sin forgiven, but he will die because he does not confess his sin. 34 If anyone sins and does not confess his sin, he will have his sin forgiven, but he will die because he does not confess his sin. 35 If anyone sins and does not confess his sin, he will have his sin forgiven, but he will die because he does not confess his sin.

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18 We know that any one born of God does not sin, but He who was born of God keeps him, and the evil one does not touch him.

19 We know that we are of God, and the whole world is in the power of the evil one.

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- TOOLS** [Mat 5:19](#) Whoever then relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but he who does them and teaches them shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.
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- TOOLS** [Mat 19:17](#) And he said to him, "Why do you ask me about what is good? One there is who is good. If you would enter life, keep the commandments."
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2 Strong's Number: G1785

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akin to No. 3, above, denotes, in general, "an injunction, charge, precept, commandment." It is the most frequent term, and is used of moral and religious precepts, e.g., Mat 5:19; it is frequent in the Gospels, especially that of John, and in his Epistles. See also, e.g., Act 17:15; Rom 7:8-13; 13:9; 1Cr 7:19; Eph 2:15; Col 4:10. See PRECEPT.



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- I. an order, command, charge, precept, injunction
 - A. that which is prescribed to one by reason of his office
- II. a commandment
 - A. a prescribed rule in accordance with which a thing is done
 - i. a precept relating to lineage, of the Mosaic precept concerning the priesthood
 - ii. ethically used of the commandments in the Mosaic law or Jewish tradition

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19 By this we shall know that we are of the truth, and reassure our hearts before him 20 whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. 21 Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence before God; 22 and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we keep his **commandments** and do what pleases him. 23 And this is his **commandment**, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has **commanded** us. 24 All who keep his **commandments** abide in him, and he in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit which he has given us.

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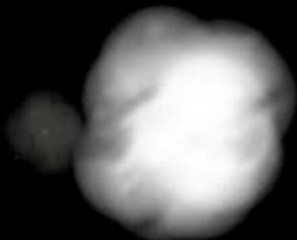
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Heb 5:11 About this we have much to say which is hard to explain, since you have become dull of hearing. **12** For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need some one to teach you again the first principles of God's word. You need milk, not solid food; **13** for every one who lives on milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, for he is a child. **14** But solid food is for the mature, for those who have their faculties trained by practice to distinguish good from evil. (RSV)

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Who is our Brother?

1Jo 2:18 ¶ Children, it is the last hour; and as you have heard that antichrist is coming, so now many antichrists have come; therefore we know that it is the last hour.

19 They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would have continued with us; but they went out, that it might be plain that they all are not of us.

20 ¶ But you have been anointed by the Holy One, and you all know.

21 I write to you, not because you do not know the truth, but because you know it, and know that no lie is of the truth.

22 Who is the liar but he who denies that Jesus is the Christ? This is the antichrist, he who denies the Father and the Son.

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a new commandment,

which is true in him and in you,

because the darkness is passing away

and

the true light is already shining.

9 He who says

he is in the light

and

hates his brother

is in the darkness still.

10 He who loves his brother

abides in the light,

and

in it there is no cause for stumbling.

11 But he who hates his brother

is in the darkness

and

walks in the darkness,

and

does not know where he is going,

because

the darkness has blinded his eyes.



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