**Sermon Notes**

**Living out the Life of God**

**Pastor Ron Wood**

**April 26, 2020**

**1 John 5:1-12**

**3 Evidences you are Living the Life**

**Evidence One:**

**You are Born Again. vv. 1-5**

1. You Believe Jesus is The Christ. v.1

2. You Keep Jesus’ Commands. vv. 2-3

3. You are Living the Overcoming Life. vv. 4-5

**Evidence Two:**

**You Believe that Jesus Came as a Real Man. vv.6-8**

**What’s Going on in vv. 7-8?**

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Added for Political Reasons.

**What about the Spirit, the Water and the Blood?**

We have to remember that John was an Eyewitness.

This is a reference to Jesus’ Baptism and His Crucifixion.

**His Baptism:** Matt. 3:16-17

**His Crucifixion:** John 19:34-35

What are the reasons for this?

Error- Jesus was only a spirit.

Truth: Jesus was fully man with a body.

**Evidence Three:**

**You Believe The Father’s Testimony About the Son. vv. 9-10**

**The Conclusion Based on the Evidence of Testimony: v.11-12**

11 And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. 12 Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

Eternal Life is Described in the Present Tense.

**What is the Application to us?**

**Our Beliefs about Jesus Define Who We Are!**

**We Are:**

Children of God who Believe. vv.1-3

Overcomers who Believe. vv.4-5

Witnesses who Believe and Testify. vv. 6-12

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