Assurance of Salvation
Part II

II. HOW CAN YOU <u>KNOW</u> YOU ARE SAVED (BORN AGAIN)?
(read I John 5:13; note: the word "know" appears 35 times in this small epistle)

You can be assured of your salvation if you pass the 3 tests in I John.

A. <u>DOCTRINAL</u> TEST (THE TEST OF OUR _____)

[Trust the facts of God's Word]

1. Do you accept Christ's ____?

   a. You must believe that Jesus is the Messiah (I Jn. 2:21-22; 5:1a)

   b. You must accept the Son just as you accept the Father (They are equal) (v.23-25)

   c. You must believe that Jesus is the true God and Eternal life (I Jn.5:20) He is the Savior (I Jn. 4:14-15)

2. Do you accept Christ's _____?

   a. You must believe that Jesus left Heaven and became a man -- to die for men. (I Jn.4:1-3).

3. Did you accept Christ _____? (I Jn. 5:10-13)

[The right beliefs will produce the right <u>attitude</u> - love]

B. <u>SOCIAL</u> TEST (THE TEST OF OUR ____)

(The word "love" appears 21 times in this Epistle)

1. Do you have a genuine love for ___? (I Jn.4:19-21)

2. Do you have a genuine love for ___ _____?

(I Jn.2:7-11; 3:10-24; * 4:7, 5:1)

[The right attitude will produce the right action - obedience]

C. MORAL TEST (THE TEST OF OUR _____)

(The apostle John gives several signs in your life that show that you have truly been saved. Note: And not one time is the gift of tongues mentioned, contrary to the beliefs of some today)

1. What is your relationship to God's word?

   a. Are you walking in the _____? (I Jn.1:5-7)

   b. Are you obeying His _____? (I Jn.2:3-6)

   c. Are you practicing _____? (I Jn.2:29)

2. What is your relationship to sin?

   a. Do you habitually practice ____? (I Jn.3:9; 5:18)

   b. Are you overcoming the _____? (I Jn.5:4; cp.2:15-17)

   c. Are you keeping yourself ____? (I Jn.5:18)

[The right actions will produce the right feelings]

Concl. summary chart:

facts
about
Salvation

1. BELIEF
FAITH

2. ATTITUDE

LOVE

3. ACTION
OBEDIENCE

feeling
good about
your Salvation