

The Test of the Christ-like Heart

Paul's hope in God's sovereign plan was not based on bravado or self-confidence. Faith in God is just that. It is faith in God. The proof of our faith is a strange one - humility.

Scripture(s): Romans 11:17-24

Remember this - The profound evidence of the Christ-like heart is its consistent humility toward God and people.

I. Do not be arrogant toward other believers who _____ from you.

I. Jesus holds you _____.

John 10:27-30 My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me; ²⁸ and I give eternal life to them, and they will never perish; and no one will snatch them out of My hand. ²⁹ My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand. ³⁰ I and the Father are one."

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II. Stand by FAITH in the powerful work of Jesus and not conceit or puffed up

_____.

II. He will not spare the _____.

James 4:5-7 ⁵ Or do you think that the Scripture speaks to no purpose: "He jealously desires the Spirit which He has made to dwell in us"? ⁶ But He gives a greater grace. Therefore it says, "GOD IS OPPOSED TO THE PROUD, BUT GIVES GRACE TO THE HUMBLE." ⁷ Submit therefore to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.

III. God is both kind and _____.

III. Continue in His kindness. Don't assume that being lightly connected to Jesus through the church is the same as _____ Him.

John 15:9-11 ⁹ Just as the Father has loved Me, I have also loved you; abide in My love. ¹⁰ If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love; just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love. ¹¹ These things I have spoken to you so that My joy may be in you, and that your joy may be made full.

Our challenge: Acknowledge the persistent pull of self-righteousness and self-satisfaction and run to _____.

1. Is your heart quick to judge others who look or live differently even though they are _____ believers?

2. Does the fact that you know Jesus make you _____ careful about how you treat others or _____?

3. Do you truly know Jesus or do you just like what He _____?