

## **20210725 KNOWING JESUS CHRIST**

Deeper into Fellowship and Love Part 13 (1 John 5:14-21)

<sup>14</sup> This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us.

<sup>15</sup> And if we know that he hears us—whatever we ask—we know that we have what we asked of him.

<sup>16</sup> If anyone sees his brother commit a sin that does not lead to death, he should pray and God will give him life. I refer to those whose sin does not lead to death. There is a sin that leads to death. I am not saying that he should pray about that.

<sup>17</sup> All wrongdoing is sin, and there is sin that does not lead to death.

<sup>18</sup> We know that anyone born of God does not continue to sin; the one who was born of God keeps him safe, and the evil one cannot harm him.

<sup>19</sup> We know that we are children of God, and that the whole world is under the control of the evil one.

<sup>20</sup> We know also that the Son of God has come and has given us understanding, so that we may know him who is true. And we are in him who is true—even in his Son Jesus Christ. He is the true God and eternal life.

<sup>21</sup> Dear children, keep yourselves from idols.

### **THE FOUR SPIRITUAL TRUTHS FROM THE TEXT ARE:**

#### **FIRST, OUR CONFIDENCE IN OUR PRAYER LIFE.**

<sup>14</sup> This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us.

<sup>15</sup> And if we know that he hears us—whatever we ask—we know that we have what we asked of him.

#### **NUMBER TWO. SIN IS SERIOUS. BUT JESUS KEEPS US SAFE AS WE HUMBLE OURSELVES BEFORE GOD.**

<sup>16</sup> If anyone sees his brother commit a sin that does not lead to death, he should pray and God will give him life. I refer to those whose sin does not lead to death. There is a sin that leads to death. I am not saying that he should pray about that.

<sup>17</sup> All wrongdoing is sin, and there is sin that does not lead to death.

#### **NUMBER THREE. WE LIVE IN THE ENEMY'S TERRITORY.**

<sup>19</sup> We know that we are children of God, and that the whole world is under the control of the evil one.

#### **NUMBER FOUR. JESUS IS THE WAY, THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE.**

<sup>20</sup> We know also that the Son of God has come and has given us understanding, so that we may know him who is true. And we are in him who is true—even in his Son Jesus Christ. He is the true God and eternal life.

#### **ONE FINAL COMMANDMENT THIS SURRENDERING HEART**

**MUST HEED:** keep ourselves from idols. In other words, we shall have no other gods before Jesus Christ.

<sup>21</sup> Dear children, keep yourselves from idols.