

1 John Series

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1 John 2:3, “By this we know that we have come to know Him, if we keep His commandments.”

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PRINCIPLE OR BY THIS TEST**

**But what does John mean by *knowing*
God?**

John 14:8, “Philip said to Him, ‘Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us.’”

John 14:9, “Jesus said to him, ‘Have I been so long with you, and *yet* you have not come to know Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father; how *can* you say, “Show us the Father”?’ ”

John 13:34, “A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another.”

John 14:15, “If you love Me, you will keep My commandments.”

John 14:21, “He who has My commandments and keeps them is the one who loves Me; and he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and will disclose Myself to him.”

John 15:10, “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.”

John 15:12, “This is My commandment, that you love one another, just as I have loved you.”

1 John 2:4,

“The one who says, ‘I have come to know Him,’ and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him;”

1 John 2:5,

“but whoever keeps His word, in him the love of God has truly been perfected. By this we know that we are in Him:”

1. Love for God is developed over time.

2. Love for God is based on doctrinal perception and doctrinal orientation.

- 3. a. You can't love someone you don't know**
- b. You can't know someone without learning about them**
- c. You can't learn about someone without a relationship.**

4. a. You can only know God through His Word
- b. To learn about, study, priority time
- c. Relationship, fellowship

5. Negative: Not emotion, sentiment, gratitude.

John 14:21–23,

21 “He who has My commandments and keeps them is the one who loves Me; and he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and will disclose Myself to him.”

**22 “Judas (not Iscariot) said to Him,
‘Lord, what then has happened that
You are going to disclose Yourself to
us and not to the world?’**

**23 “Jesus answered and said to him,
‘If anyone loves Me, he will keep My
word; and My Father will love him, and
We will come to him and make Our
abode with him.’ ”**

1 John 2:6,

**“the one who says he abides in Him
ought himself to walk in the same
manner as He walked.”**

1 John 3:24, “The one who keeps His commandments abides in Him, and He in him. We know by this that He abides in us, by the Spirit whom He has given us.”

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**a term originating in the market place,
it means to be indebted, to have a
financial obligation, to owe someone
something.**