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THE CHRISTIAN'S KNOWLEDGE

Chapter 5

Summary: As Christians we know four things.

- I. We know what a Christian is (1-5): (A) he is born of God (1a); (B) he loves God and God's children (1b-5).
- II. We know who Jesus is (6-13): (A) we have witnesses to prove it * (6-10); (B) we have eternal life to prove it (11-13).
- III. We know how to pray with confidence (14-17): (A) we pray according to His will (14-15); (B) we pray for those who sin **(16-17).
- IV. We know the truth (18-21): (A) we don't make a practice of sinning; (B) we know God who is true (18-19)

Lesson: As Christians we have the greatest knowledge available to man.

* "water and blood": Jesus was declared to be the Son of God at His baptism (Matt. 3:17) and proved to be so at the cross (John 8:28).

** "sin leading to death": punished by swift death (Acts 5:1-11).