Three Witnesses to Absolute Certainty 1 John 5:6 - 10

Under Attack

"Every heresy in the world is an attack, in some way, upon the Person and Work of Christ."

W. G. Scroggie

CERINTHUS

- √ taught Jesus Christ became
 the Son of God at his baptism
- √ taught the Spirit of God left
 Christ prior to crucifixion

3 Misrepresentations of Jesus

- 1) Christian Science
- 2) Jehovah's Witness
- 3) Mormonism

Can you be certain?

"The only thing certain in life is death and taxes."

Benjamin Franklin

THE WITNESS OF THE WATER

Some would suggest, "Baptism has little or not importance."

If so, then why was Jesus baptized?

Purposes behind Jesus' Baptism

Jesus' baptism was unique.

John Walvoord

(1) A pattern of obedience for His followers.

Purposes behind Jesus' Baptism

(2) Marked the beginning of His earthly ministry.

Purposes behind Jesus' Baptism

(3) A symbol of His death and resurrection.

The Witness of the Blood

- Repeated in 1 John 5:6 "and blood"
- Redemption required BOTH, a sinless life, and substitutionary death.

The Witness of the Spirit

- □ Why can we trust "the witness of the Spirit?"
- Why should Christian today be concerned about "the witness of the Spirit?"

3 Witnesses to Certainty

Water

Blood

Spirit