

A. Verses 3-11 contain two tests to discern whether we are carnally secure.

B. Tonight we take the second test - similar to the first, but more pointed.

1 John: Knowing God's Love (6) Are We Really In The Light?

I. The Standard of the Test.

A. The test is meant to expose for us whether we, who say we have the knowledge of God and of His Word, are really in His light, or are blinded by darkness.

B. The standard of this test is God's one, timeless law - old and new.

II. The Taking of the Test.

A. Initially, the test appears to be simple.

B. In fact, it is a very difficult test.

III. The Results of the Test.

A. The hypocrite fails completely.

B. The child of God who is lax in godliness does poorly.

C. The child of God who has been relying on God's grace and striving to show love for God, though not getting a perfect score, still fares well.

D. And Christ scored perfectly!