

- A. Earlier in this chapter, John gave two tests by which we know whether we are truly in Christ.
- B. The texts this morning and evening are God's word to those who have passed those tests.

1 John: Knowing God's Love (7) A Particular Knowledge

I. Specific Content.

- A. We know that we have the knowledge of Christ and the Father.

B. We know that our sins are forgiven.

C. We know that we have overcome the wicked one.

II. Exclusive Recipients.

- A. Those who have this knowledge are an exclusive group.

B. Not just why he wrote what he wrote, but why he wrote this *to them*, is the word John conveys in the text, and the word of the Holy Spirit to us today.