**How Can You Recognize the Truth?**  
I John 3:23-4:6

**I. The Truth Will Be Expressed by  
the Right Confession - 4:2-3**

A. What is the Good Confession? - Matthew 7:24 & 27

B. What are the Good Confessions found in the Bible?

1. The classic confession: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ - Matthew 16:13-16; John 4:29; 11:27 & Acts 8:37.

2. Thomas' confession: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ - John 20:28.

a. Why is this important?

b. How do you know this is true? - John 1:1 & 14; 10:30; 14:8-9; Colossians 2:9; Romans 9:5; John 8:58 & Matthew 1:23

3. The confession here: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ - 4:2-3

a. Why is this important?

b. What does the tense here imply?

**II. The Truth Will Be Empowered by  
the Right Spirit - 3:24 & 4:1, 4-5**

A. The Holy Spirit has been G\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to you - 3:24 & Acts 2:38.

B. The Holy Spirit can be T\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ - 4:1-3.

C. The Holy Spirit is G\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ than the spirits in the world - 4:4.

**III. The Truth Will Be Obtained from  
the Right Source - 4:6**

A. What does "listens to us" mean?

B. What message makes you a child of God? - Romans 10:17 & John 14:6

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