

Sermon Application Study

August 23, 2026

Target Passage → 1 John 5:6-12

1. What does it mean that Jesus came by both water and blood? What do these symbols represent and how do they relate to each other?
2. How does the Spirit “agree” with the water and the blood?
3. Summarizing the passage, what is God’s testimony? Why should this be a convincing testimony for all people, including us today?
4. Can we disagree with the gospel and still have some kind of relationship with God? Why or why not?

Bridge Passages (for further study) → Matthew 3:13-17, John 15:26-27

For Me →

1. How do the objective historical facts of Jesus’ ministry and the inner confirmation of the Spirit relate in your mind and heart?
2. Was there a time when you rejected certain aspects of the gospel but still identified as a Christian? What changed for you?

For the Mission →

Do you know people who reject the gospel because they object to some aspect of the Jesus’ ministry (e.g. the crucifixion, call to obedience, deity of Christ, etc.) Why must we accept all of it?

PRAYER FOCUS

Thank the Lord for the ministry of the Son of God who gives us eternal life.
Ask the Lord for opportunities to share God’s testimony with those who don’t yet accept it.