

The Main Thing: 1 John 5: 13-21

13 I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life. 14 This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us.

I. What matters most is what happens after

- Mission of our Church is about eternal life
- Mission of our lives is about eternal life
- Mission of our life is eternal life

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II. Two kinds of sins

16 If you see any brother or sister commit a sin that does not lead to death, you should pray and God will give them life. I refer to those whose sin does not lead to death. There is a sin that leads to death. I am not saying that you should pray about that. 17 All wrongdoing is sin, and there is sin that does not lead to death.

A. Sin that does not lead to death

B. A sin that leads to death

Mark 3:28-29

III. We understand

18 We know that anyone born of God does not continue to sin; the One who was born of God keeps them safe, and the evil one cannot harm them. 19 We know that we are children of God, and that the whole world is under the control of the evil one. 20 We know also that the Son of God has come and has given us understanding, so that we may know him who is true. And we are in him who is true by being in his Son Jesus Christ. He is the true God and eternal life.

IV. The main thing

21 Dear children, keep yourselves from idols.

Some people want Jesus, but not all of Jesus. All of Jesus requires our fullness. Our fullness is keeping the main thing the main thing.

The main thing: Jesus is the light.