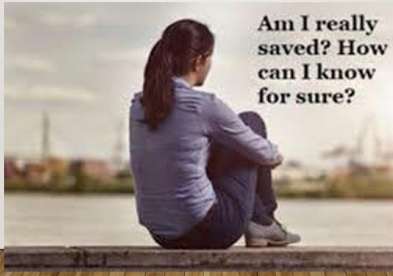


# “HOW CAN YOU KNOW?” (PART I)

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I John 2:3-6



## HERE'S HOW CAN YOU KNOW...

4 POINTS, ONE POINT SAYS YOU CAN KNOW, THE OTHER 3 ARE HOW YOU CAN KNOW:

### I. You can know (3a)

- A. It is possible, to know
- B. That you know Christ

“THAT YOU MAY KNOW”; THE WORD “KNOW”... 4 TIMES IN THESE 4 VERSES

- γινωσκω – “know” we do know, God wants us to know
- 1<sup>st</sup> one in the **present** tense (v.3a) progressive – knowing now and continuing (*what the present tense does*). That is, continually know or perceive by experience. (same v. 5)
- The 2<sup>nd</sup> know (v. 3) is the **perfect** active tense in Greek. That translates literally “**have come to know him**” looks back on past action that has continuing results in present.

### II. Know by obedience (3b – 4)

- A. Keep now and continually keeping  
“**Keep**” (also present tense), word also carries the idea of observant, watchful obedience. Can also be translated “guard” like a keeper, (goal, zoo keeper). Continually safeguarding the commandments because they are precious, important!
- B Keep His (Jesus’) commandments – obedience to His commandments are **evidence** that we know Him.

### CONCLUSION:

- Are you of the truth, listening, hearing, obeying the truth -Christ’s commandments?
- Following His example, living like Him?
- Then be assured! Of your salvation.
- God gives it and wants you to have and know you’re on your way to heaven.
- Your salvation is NOT guesswork – IT IS SURE!