

## THE BASICS OF BELIEVING

### I. THE \_\_\_\_\_ SUMMARIZED 1 John 3:23—*this is the command*

#### A. THE \_\_\_\_\_ INVOLVES RIGHT BELIEF—*that we believe in the name of His Son Jesus Christ*

“It is, biblically speaking, *reliance*. A rock-solid, truth-grounded, promise-founded *trust* in the risen Jesus to save you from sin.”—Greg Gilbert, *What Is the Gospel?* 74

#### B. THE \_\_\_\_\_ INVOLVES RIGHT PRACTICE—*and love one another*

“Then did they show themselves to the heathen in the clearest light. For the Christians were the only people who amid such terrible ills showed their fellow-feeling and humanity in their actions. Day by day some would busy themselves with attending to the dead and burying them others gathered in one spot all who were afflicted by hunger throughout the whole city, and gave bread to them all.”—Eusebius, *Ecclesiastical History*, IX, 8.

### II. THE RESULTS OF THE \_\_\_\_\_ —*The one who keeps His commandments abides in Him*

#### A. THE \_\_\_\_\_ ABIDES IN CHRIST—*abides in Him*

“All those that are justified, God vouchsafed, in, and for the sake of his only Son Jesus Christ, to make partakers of the Grace of Adoption; by which they are taken into the number, and enjoy the Liberties, and Privileges of Children of God; have his name put upon them, receive the Spirit of Adoption, have access to the throne of Grace with boldness, are enabled to cry *Abba*, Father, are pitied, protected, provided for, and chastened by him, as by a Father; yet never cast off; but sealed to the day of Redemption, and inherit the promises, as heirs, of everlasting Salvation.”—*London Baptist Confession of Faith*, XII:1

#### B. CHRIST ABIDES IN THE \_\_\_\_\_ —*He in him*

#### C. THE SPIRIT ASSURES \_\_\_\_\_ —*We know...by the Spirit*