

“The Righteous Living Test” (Part Two)

I. GODLINESS THAT TESTIFIES TO PRESENCE OF NEW LIFE IN CHRIST. (2:28-3:3)

- A. Righteous living points to the new birth. (2:28-29)
- B. Righteous living is the passion of God’s children. (3:1-3)

II. UNGODLINESS THAT PROVES ONE IS NOT BORN OF GOD. (vv. 4-10)

A. Calling sin what it is. (v. 4)

- 1. Rebellion against God. “*sin*”
- 2. Rejection of God’s authority. “*lawlessness*”

B. Calling all believers to face the truth. (vv. 5-7)

- 1. As to why Jesus came. (vv. 5, 8c)
 - a. To take away sins. (v. 5)
 - b. To destroy the works of the devil. (v. 8)
- 2. As to what we are to do. (vv. 6-7)
 - a. To live _____ . (v. 6)
 - b. To live _____ . (v. 7)

C. Calling out the _____ . (vv. 8-10)

- 1. As “_____” (v. 8)
- 2. As _____ . (v. 9)
- 3. As “_____” . (v. 10)