

# Confidence Before God



**1 John 3:19-24**

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# Introduction

- **“Confidence”—(parrhesia, Gk.)—  
“speaking everything, openness,  
boldness, confidence.**
- **Fear of speaking—illustration**
- **The resultant blessing**



# Our Hearts are Reassured

- We want to know things are ok
- Feel unassured
- We equate our spiritual standing
- Firm foundation—“we are of the truth”



# God Knows Everything

- a strong note of assurance
- OT Concept
- NT Concept
- Do we live with this as daily dose of assurance?



# In Whatever we ask...

## prayer

- How much in tune with the will of God
- “Not my will but Your will”—Jesus understood
- Today we say, “Whatever you want.” Even we have limits!



# Keep his commandments and do what pleases Him

- Idea of “keeping” is not rule-keeping, but heart-embracing!
- 6 times this idea surfaces in 1 John



# His commandment: two parts

- **Believe in the name of His Son  
Jesus Christ**
- **Love one another**





# Mutual Abiding

- “one another” faith
- Live in him, and he in them
- Significant identity change and daily walk!



# By the Spirit Given Us

- **“We know” —confidence!**
- **Assurance of Jesus living in us**
- **Gift of the Spirit**

