

INTRODUCTION:

1. "That ye may know that ye have eternal life."
2. Milton said, "The end of all learning is to know God, and out of that knowledge to love and imitate him."

1. HOW MAY WE KNOW, PROVE THAT WE HAVE ETERNAL LIFE?

1. Those who are enjoying salvation will show it:

1. By praising God for that Salvation. 1 Pet. 2:9

(1) Literally: "to show forth" "to publish abroad."

2. By abhorring themselves. Job 42: 5, 6; Rom. 12:3

(1) Genuine repentance renounces all claim to self-righteousness. Luke 18:9-14

3. By delighting in prayer. Acts 9:11

When one prays:

(1) His heart is emptied of its former hate toward the brethren.

(2) His heart is filled with meekness and love for all.

4. By thirsting for the Word of God. Pslams 19:10

(1) "Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled." Matt. 5:6

5. By seeking to please the Lord. Col. 1:10:

"That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God."

6. By bringing others to him. John 1:40-42

(1) The knowledge and love of Christ will not linger long in the selfish heart.

(2) Those who may presently enjoy salvation must bring other to Christ or soon lose

that joy and salvation.

