## Intro

## A. THE EVIDENCE OF THE NEW BIRTH.

### 1) The wind analogy (Jn. 3:8).

### 2) A reason for the evidence.

### 3) The importance of their being EVIDENCE of the new birth.

## B. THE EVIDENCE EXAMINED.

### 1) keep God’s commandments (1 Jn. 2:3).

### 2) do righteousness (1 Jn. 2:29).

Present tense – ongoing action in present;

Perfect tense – completed past event with results in present.

The perfect tense in this relationship gives us the ­­­­­­­\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and the present tense the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

### 3) do not commit sin (1 Jn. 3:9).

### 4) love the brethren (1 Jn. 4:7).

### 5) believe that Jesus is the Christ (1 Jn. 5:1).

### 6) overcome the world (1 Jn. 5:4).

### 7) key to assurance of salvation (1 Jn. 5:13).

## C. THE BATTLE OF THE TWO NATURES

### 1) There is a constant struggle between the flesh and the Spirit *Gal. 5:17.*

### 2) Spiritual victory can be won by pursuing:

### D. ASSURANCE OF SALVATION

Conclusion