



The Fivefold Witness Of God

#1. The Witness of History: JESUS CHRIST.

"This is the one who came by water and blood - Jesus Christ. He did not come by water only, but by water and blood." 1 John 5:6a NIV

#2. The Witness of God the Holy Spirit: TRUTH.

"And it is the Spirit who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth." 1 John 5:6b NIV

*"But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come."
John 16:13 NIV*

*"He is the Spirit, who reveals the truth about God. The world cannot receive him, because it cannot see him or know him. But you know him, because he remains with you and is in you."
John 14:17 GNT*

- the witness of your spiritual birth AND life: BAPTISM & COMMUNION.

"For there are three that testify: the Spirit, the water and the blood; and the three are in agreement." 1 John 5:7-8 NIV

#3. The Witness of God the Father: TRUSTWORTHY.

"We accept human testimony, but God's testimony is greater because it is the testimony of God, which he has given about his Son." 1 John 5:9 NIV

- Acceptance: BELIEF IN GOD'S SON.

"Whoever believes in the Son of God accepts this testimony." 1 John 10a NIV

- Denial: IMPEACHMENT OF GOD.

"Whoever does not believe God has made him out to be a liar, because they have not believed the testimony God has given about his Son." 1 John 10b NIV

#4. The Witness of God the Son: ETERNAL LIFE.

"And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life." 1 John 5:11-12 NIV

#5. The Witness of God's Word: CERTAINTY.

"I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life." 1 John 5:13 NIV