

STRENGTH in WEAKNESS

The Jesus Test

2 Corinthians 13:5 (ESV)

⁵ Examine yourselves, to see whether you are in the faith. Test yourselves. Or do you not realize this about yourselves, that **Jesus Christ is in you?** — unless indeed you fail to meet the test!

The **background:** 13:1-4

Ultimately, this is an _____ passage. Paul does not expect that they will “_____” the test.

But it is also a _____ passage, for there were then – as now – “_____”. (2 Cor 11:26, Gal. 2:4, Matt. 13:25ff., Matt. 7:21-23)

Persistent _____ and resistance to _____ and _____ ought to make us question our _____.

Why?

Jesus is not _____ among us!

Therefore, *if* Christ is _____ us, it will show!

Me in Christ – Christ in Me

Romans 8:1 (ESV)

¹ There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are **in Christ Jesus**.

5 Big Questions to help me **test myself** (from Romans 8)

1. What _____ my life? (v. 2-4, 9)
2. What occupies my _____? (v. 6-7)
This includes affections, desires, interests, values, purposes, etc.
3. Is the _____ leading my life? (v. 4-5, 10-11, 13-17)
Does my life increasingly look like _____?
Do I have a _____ with the Father?
Do I have an _____ that I am saved?
4. Do I _____ God and Heaven? (v. 23-25)
5. How do I _____? (v. 26-27)

Conclusion:

Romans 8:31-39 (ESV)

³¹ What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³² He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? ³³ Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴ Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us.

³⁵ Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? ³⁶ As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered." ³⁷ No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.

³⁸ For **I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹ nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

WORSHIP NOTES for KIDS

Today's Date:

TODAYS SERMON:

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WHO IS PREACHING?

What is today's Bible Passage?



"Test yourselves to see if you are in the faith. Examine yourselves." 2 Corinthians 13:5a

- 1. Test yourself today and ask this question: "Do I desire to submit to Jesus Christ with my whole life?" What's your answer?*

WHAT SONGS DID WE SING TODAY?

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ON THE BACK OF THIS PAPER, DRAW A PICTURE OR WRITE NOTES FROM THE SERMON