

Introduction

- i. On our family visits we will have the opportunity to talk about the most important relationship we have in our lives, our relationship with Christ.
- ii. Question of the passage is how can we have the assurance of this most important relationship?

**Knowing That We Know Christ**

**I. The Idea**

A. About what do we need assurance? That we know Jesus Christ. (John 17:3; II Tim. 1:12)

B. The text is addressing the assurance of this relationship with Christ. This is important to know for two reasons:

**II. The Way - how do we have assurance?**

A. The idea is that those who love Jesus and God believe that obedience to God's commandments is important and necessary.

B. If we are going to have this assurance, we must have a right understanding of what it means to keep God's commandments. We can easily be deceived. (Matt. 7:21-23)

**III. The Possibility**

A. The obedience of Christ enables us to obey so that we have this assurance.

B. Let us keep our eyes on Jesus and His love. This is how we learn to love each other.