



# **Three Positive Characteristics of God's People**

**Certainty, Identity, Militancy**

# CERTAINTY

- Lack of certainty destroys our ability to live as God desires – Rev. 2:10; Matt. 11:2-3; Lk. 7:21-22
- You can be certain of the truth *about* Jesus – Lk. 1:1-4; 1 Jn. 1:1-3
- You can be certain of the truth *from* Jesus – Jn. 8:31-32; 2 Tim. 3:14-15; 2 Pet. 1:12; 1 Pet. 3:15; 2 Tim 2:15
- You can be certain of your *salvation* in Christ – 2 Tim. 1:12; 1 Jn. 5:13; Heb. 10:35-36

# IDENTITY

- You can know you are His through obedience – 2 Thess. 1:8; Heb. 5:8-9
- Knowing you are Christ's must change your moral identity – 1 Cor. 6:15, 18-20; 1 Pet. 2:9-12

# MILITANCY

- We are militants...which carries a bad connotation – Jude 3; Eph. 6:13-17; 2 Cor. 10:3-5
- Being *soldiers* in Christ's army means that pacifists and conscientious objectors have no place – Mark 8:38; Heb. 10:38
- God has given us the means to fight with confidence in Christ – 1 Jn. 4:16-18