

NOTES:

Boldness - the assurance to talk openly about Christ's love in the darkness.

1. The Trinity testifies about our commitment (5:8-12)

God is already talking about you to himself and the people in the darkness.

2. We pray openly to the Father about our desires (5:13-15)

Boldness in 1 John:

- 2:28, 4:17 - confidence on judgment day
- 3:21-22 - confidence over condemnation
- 5:14 - confidence in conversation with God and others

Prayer is eternal life assurance. The more we talk to God, the more confidence we receive from Him.

Prayer makes us open to God's work, invites Him to begin now, and shows our commitment to his work.

3. We engage the world boldly (5:16-21)