

## **A Rhetorical Question, Answer, and Testimonial Support 5:5–8**

### **5:5 The Question and Answer**

*Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?*

### **5:6a–b The Answer Clarified**

*This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with water only but with the water and the blood.*

### **5:6c–8 The Testimonial Support**

*And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth. There are three that testify: the Spirit and the water and the blood, and these three agree.*

## **The Result of Accepting or Rejecting the Testimony 5:9–12**

### **5:9 God's Testimony Is Greater**

*If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son.*

### **5:10 Believing and Not Believing**

#### **Believing 5:10a**

*Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts.*

#### **Not Believing 5:10b**

*Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son.*

### **5:11 Summary of the Testimony**

*And this is the testimony:*

*God gave us eternal life,*

*and this life is in his Son.*

### **5:12 The Result Reiterated**

#### **Having Life 5:12a**

*Whoever has the Son has life;*

#### **Not Having Life 5:12b**

*whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.*