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STRUCTURE

1:1 – 2:17 spiral 1

1:1 – 2:2 doctrinal test

1:1-4 view of Jesus

1:5 – 2:2 view of sin

2:3-17 moral test

2:3-17 view of obedience and view of love

2:18 – 3:24 spiral 2

2:18-27 doctrinal test

2:18-21 apostates: they deny fellowship

2:22-25 apostates: they deny the faith

2:26-27 apostates: they deceive the faithful

2:28 – 3:24 moral test

2:28 – 3:3 purifying hope

3:4-24 this purity is incompatible with sin

4:1-21 spiral 3

4:1-6 doctrinal test

4:1-6 not every teaching about Jesus, comes from Jesus (false prophecy)

4:7-21 moral test

4:7-21 character and requirements of love

5:1-21 spiral 4

5:1-12 doctrinal test

5:1-5 victory we have in Christ

5:6-12 witnesses to Christ

5:13-21 moral test

5:13-21 assurance

