

THE KNOW SERIES

Who, What, When, Where, Why, How of the Christian Experience

LESSON # 14

CHRISTIANS BELIEVE YOU CAN KNOW YOU ARE SAVED



OBJECTIVE: This class focuses on the concept of assurance of salvation, which is the certainty that one has eternal life. The foundation of this assurance is rooted in the authority of God's Word. The class delves into various scriptural references that provide evidence for knowing that salvation has been attained. It explores promises found in the Bible, such as John 1:12, John 3:16, and John 5:24, that affirm eternal life for those who believe in Christ.

The Holy Spirit's role in providing assurance is also discussed, with references to Romans 8:16-17 and Ephesians 1:13-14. The book of 1 John is highlighted as a source of assurance, where the author employs phrases like "we know" to foster confidence in believers. The class examines verses from 1 John that detail how one can truly know and have assurance of salvation.

It concludes with the message that God desires believers to be certain of their eternal life, emphasizing that salvation rests on God's faithfulness and promises. Praying for God's reminder of His faithfulness is encouraged for those who may doubt their salvation.



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Discussion of last week's meeting, readings, events.

(I) KNOWING YOU ARE SAVED IS WHAT SOME CALL "ASSURANCE"

(A) Assurance (certainty) of salvation is based on the authority of God's Word. There are many evidences we can look at so that we can know we are saved and have eternal life.

(B) God promises eternal life in His Word.

(1) According to John 1:12, what is the promise associated with receiving Jesus?

(2) John 3:16 states that whoever believes in Christ

(3) John 5:24 says that the one who believes in God will not experience

(4) In John 10:27-28 we learn that we will never

(C) The Holy Spirit gives us assurance of our salvation.

(1) According to Romans 8:16-17, what does the Holy Spirit bear witness of in our lives?

(2) Who is the guarantee of our future life according to Ephesians 1:13-14?

(D) Turn to the book of 1 John.

(1) What is the purpose of John's letter in 1 John 5:13?

(2) John uses the phrase "we know" (assurance) throughout his letter to help these believers come to a place of assurance about their salvation.

(3) According to 1 John 2:3-5, how do we know for sure that we "know Him?"

(4) In 1 John 2:23, what is the action here that rules out the assurance of salvation?

(5) What is the basis of assurance in 1 John 3:14-15?



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- (6) In 1 John 4:13, what has God given to his children to bring us assurance of salvation?
- (7) According to 1 John 4:14-15, what work does the Spirit produce in us that brings assurance?
- (E) Read Philippians 2:12-13.
(1) Verse twelve states that the Christian life is a life of obedience. But what power is available to live the Christian life according to verse 13?
- (F) God wants you and I to know that we have eternal life (1 John 5:11-13). It is not His will that we live our life on a daily basis wondering if we are saved. If you doubt your salvation remember that our salvation rests only on God's work for us. Even if our hearts at times forget that, it is still true. (1 John 3:19-20). Pray and ask God to remind you of His faithfulness to keep His promises.

