



SESSION 3

THE ASSURANCE OF YOUR SALVATION

“Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine. O what a foretaste of glory divine.”

The reason you can be _____ of your salvation is because the believer in Jesus Christ is _____.

- The doctrine of eternal security¹
- “One saved, always saved!”
- Perseverance of the saints

The assurance of your salvation is based on the _____ not your _____.

¹ R.C. Sproul says, “What [the doctrine of eternal security] means is that once a person has become quickened by the Holy Spirit, born of the Spirit, and justified through faith in Christ and therefore placed in a state of salvation, that person will, in fact, never lose his salvation. That is a very controversial point within the context of historic Christianity.”

6 Reasons Your Salvation Is Secure

1. Eternal life is a _____ made by God to those who believe in Jesus, and God _____!

“Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life.” John 3:36

“All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out.” John 6:37

Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. Rom. 10:13

And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life. 1 John 5:11-13

... in the hope of eternal life, which God, who cannot lie, promised long ages ago. Titus 1:2

2. God _____ you righteous by faith in Jesus.

Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Romans 5:1

3. God says you are no longer _____.

“Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life.” John 5:24

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. Romans 8:1

4. The Holy Spirit _____ the believer in Jesus.

In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit. Ephesians 1:13

5. The Holy Spirit _____ that you are a child of God.

The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God. Romans 8:16

6. You are in the _____ of God's grace.

“I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand.” John 10:28-29

But Can the Believer in Jesus Fall Away?

For it is impossible, in the case of those who have once been enlightened, who have tasted the heavenly gift, and have shared in the Holy Spirit, and have tasted the goodness of the word of God and the powers of the age to come, and then have fallen away, to restore them again to repentance, since they are crucifying once again the Son of God to their own harm and holding him up to contempt.

Hebrews 6:4-6

Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time, and now and forever.

Amen. Jude 24-25

And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. Philippians 1:6

Can A Person Be Falsely Assured?

“Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. On that day many will say to me, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty

works in your name?’ And then will I declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.’” Matthew 7:21-23

False _____ can lead to a false _____.

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Because Your Salvation Is Secure ...

1. _____ your _____.

2. _____ to God with confidence.

And since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. Hebrews 10:21-23

Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Hebrews 4:6

3. Live like the _____ you are.



Answers to Fill-ins

assured, eternally secure, facts of Scripture, feelings, promise, cannot lie, declared, condemned, seals, testifies, strong grip, beliefs, assurance universalism, works salvation, doubt, doubts, draw near, child of God

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