

# Assurance of Salvation

Session 1

Let's Pray

Lord, the scriptures in this lesson reveal that Jesus died for our sins to offer salvation once and for all. Please help us to understand that when we accept Jesus as our personal savior we are FOREVER saved with no conditions added. Thank You in advance for this assurance.

As we go through these scriptures choose one that really “speaks” to you and write it on a slip paper.

At the end of this session you can put this “scripture slip” in your wallet or purse and use it to help you remember what this “step” is in learning to walk with Christ.

## Deuteronomy 8:5

**Before** you met Christ did you feel uncomfortable when you did something wrong?

What happens **now** when you do something wrong? When you feel upset that you have done something God would not like that is an ***assurance*** that you now belong to God. He is correcting you because you are now His child.

John 5:24; 6:39-40; 10:28-29

Notice in 5:24 there are no “if’s”, or “but’s”, or “until’s”. There are no limits on God’s forgiveness for our sins; there are no limits on our gift of eternal life.

Verse 39 tells us that Christ will never lose any of us.

Verses 28 and 29 ASSURE us the NO ONE, including Satan, can take us out of God’s hand.

Romans 8:15-17, 38-39; 10:9-10

Verses 15-17 ASSURE us that we are now God's children.

Verses 38-39 tell us that NOTHING can separate us from God's love. You can't make God "unlove" you. Your behavior can make God, our Daddy" sad for us and the pain our wrong doings can inflict on us and on others but NOTHING will EVER make God stop loving you.

Verses 9-10 are know as the ABC's of salvation: Accept that you can never be good enough to earn heaven; Believe that Jesus died to pay for your sins and make you fit for heaven; Confess these two things to others. Once you do those 3 things, YOU ARE

**SAVED.**

## 2 Corinthians 5:17

You are NEW. You are not the same person you used to be. You don't have the same goals and desires you used to. ISN'T THAT GREAT NEWS!

Ephesians 1:4-5, 13

ISN'T IT WONDERFUL to know you are now an adopted child of GOD???

Just a note: in the state of Georgia once you adopt a child that adoption can NEVER be undone no matter how badly that child may disappoint you. If man can do this just think how much more strongly the Creator of the universe feels about your adoption!

**WOW!!!**



## 2 Thessalonians 2:13

Guess what?! You are now HOLY!! That ought to make you think twice about your actions from day to day, huh??

Hebrews 2:11; 7:25; 10:10; 12:5-11

2:11 You have a very special brother—one willing to DIE for you.

7:25 Christ Jesus sits at the right hand of God constantly interceding for you. In other words He spends time watching you and reminding God that you belong to Jesus.

10:10 Jesus' sacrifice made you holy

12:5-11 You **know** you belong to God when God disciplines you.

1 Peter 1:3-4; 5:8-9

Verses 3-4 Guess what's waiting for you!!!

Verses 8-9 You are not alone. Every one of us has hardships. If someone told you that becoming a Christian would make your life easy, they lied to you. Becoming a Christian gives you better reasons to handle your sufferings, better results for enduring daily struggles, and **best of all** the promise of a totally different outcome. Best of all Satan cannot have you for lunch you put a BAD taste in his mouth!

**These two verses, one from the Old Testament and one from the New Testament summarize this lesson.**

**Psalm 138:2 and 2 Peter 1:4**

**Psalm and Peter both tell us that God has made us promises.**

**One thing we have to know and believe is that GOD CANNOT LIE. THE SCRIPTURES DO NOT CONTAIN ANY ERROR. ALL GOD'S PROMISES ARE TRUE AND ABIDING.**

# The New You

*You have a new faith, father, family,  
function, future (Kenny Grant, Pastor)*

# The New You

You Are Now:

God's Child John 1:12

Christ's friend John 15:15

A member of Christ's body 1 Corinthians 12:27

A saint Ephesians 1:1

Redeemed and forgiven of all your sins Colossians 1:14

Complete in Christ, lacking nothing Colossians 2:10

Free from condemnation Romans 8:1-2

God's coworker 2 Corinthians 6:1

Seated with Christ in the heavenly realm Ephesians 2:6

God's workmanship Ephesians 2:10

A citizen of heaven Philippians 3:20

Adopted into God's family Ephesians 1:5

Born of God, and the evil one cannot touch you John 5:18

(Max Lucado, Christian Author)

Please print out Handout 1 and then come back to this point.

Pay close attention to the following five pages. They will help you understand some of the changes you should strive for now that you are a child of God. If you are a parent you can compare these stages to the growth of your child as this child develops a sense of character.

You are a PHYSICAL, EMOTIONAL (SOUL), AND SPIRITUAL being.

Your spiritual being has been reborn by your acceptance of Jesus as your Savior.

Your physical and emotional beings have not been reborn but must now be brought under the control of your spiritual being. It is totally, fatally, about surrender. Throw out your agenda and plans and trust Him to help you gain control of the parts of yourself that have not been reborn.



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|---|-----------|----------|-----------|-----------|---|
| BEFORE SALVATION<br>(CONDEMNATION or DAMNATION) |           | BODY     | SOUL      | SPIRIT    | Before salvation your spiritual being is dead and you are in charge of your body and emotions. Satan influences your decisions and actions. |
|   |           | PHYSICAL | EMOTIONAL | SPIRITUAL |   |
|   | OWNERSHIP | SATAN    | SATAN     | SATAN     |   |
|   | INFLUENCE | SATAN    | SATAN     | SATAN     |   |
|   | CONTROL   | YOU      | YOU       | SATAN     |   |

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| AT SALVATION<br>(JUSTIFICATION) |           | BODY              | SOUL              | SPIRIT      | At salvation your spirit experiences birth and becomes an active part of you. God now owns all of you and you get all the Holy Spirit you will ever get but the Holy Spirit, although He wants to be, is not in complete control of your body's actions nor of your emotions. The Holy Spirit is beginning to influence your choices but Satan tries to hold on. |
|                                 |           | PHYSICAL          | EMOTIONAL         | SPIRITUAL   |  |
|                                 | OWNERSHIP | GOD               | GOD               | GOD         |  |
|                                 | INFLUENCE | SATAN/HOLY SPIRIT | SATAN/HOLY SPIRIT | HOLY SPIRIT |  |
|                                 | CONTROL   | YOU/HOLY SPIRIT   | YOU/HOLY SPIRIT   | HOLY SPIRIT |  |
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| DURING GROWTH<br>(SANCTIFICATION) |           | BODY              | SOUL              | SPIRIT      | While you are growing as a Christian, Satan and the Holy Spirit are in constant battle for influence and you and the Holy Spirit fight for control. The more you mature the easier it gets for the Holy Spirit to maintain influence and the more ready you are to give control to the Holy Spirit. There are still battles which can sometimes be more intense than others. |
|                                   |           | PHYSICAL          | EMOTIONAL         | SPIRITUAL   |  |
|                                   | OWNERSHIP | GOD               | GOD               | GOD         |  |
|                                   | INFLUENCE | SATAN/HOLY SPIRIT | SATAN/HOLY SPIRIT | HOLY SPIRIT |  |
|                                   | CONTROL   | YOU/HOLY SPIRIT   | YOU/HOLY SPIRIT   | HOLY SPIRIT |  |
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| AT MATURITY<br>(GLORIFICATION) |           | BODY        | SOUL        | SPIRIT      | Although you will not reach full maturity this side of Heaven this represents what you work toward throughout your Christian life. |
|                                |           | PHYSICAL    | EMOTIONAL   | SPIRITUAL   |  |
|                                | OWNERSHIP | GOD         | GOD         | GOD         |  |
|                                | INFLUENCE | HOLY SPIRIT | HOLY SPIRIT | HOLY SPIRIT |  |
|                                | CONTROL   | HOLY SPIRIT | HOLY SPIRIT | HOLY SPIRIT |  |
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Everything that we have examined in this session is summarized in the assurance that follows.

## Assurance 1:

***I AM SURE THAT I AM SAVED AND  
THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NO DOUBT IN  
MY MIND!***

This concludes session 1

Let's pray.

Lord, now that we have read Your words about salvation help us to really understand that salvation is a free gift that was paid for once and given to us forever without any strings attached and that You don't take it back if we do something that displeases You.