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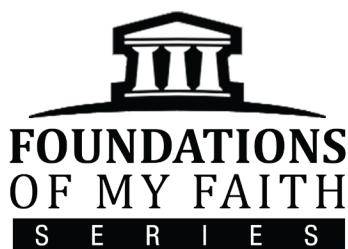


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How to use this curriculum



LOOK UP these verses in your Bible.



KEY VERSES to the lesson.

Many Christians are hindered from growing spiritually because they doubt their salvation. When doubt is removed, confidence in God's promise of eternal salvation will allow us to trust God in other areas of life. Trusting God's promise of eternal life is a solid foundation upon which to grow as a Christian. Let us look at the relationship between eternal security and the assurance of our salvation.

What Is Eternal Security?

Eternal security is an awareness of God's guarantee that we are saved forever from the penalty of our sin.



John 10:27-28



"Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation...." (I Peter 1:5)

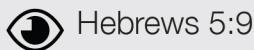


"For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." (Romans 10:13)

God will save and keep anyone who places his faith in the finished work of Jesus Christ.

How Can I Be Confident My Salvation Is Forever?

1. Salvation is eternal.



Hebrews 5:9



“...he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us.” (Hebrews 9:12)

2. We must choose to believe God’s promise.



“Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in Me.” (John 14:1)



I John 2:25



“Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith... Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised);”
(Hebrews 10:22-23)

3. God’s promise is greater than our doubt.



“For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things.” (I John 3:20)



“If we believe not, yet he abideth faithful: he cannot deny himself.” (II Timothy 2:13)

To doubt is normal. Even John the Baptist doubted Jesus (Matthew 11:3). The Devil will provoke us to doubt, as he did in the Garden of Eden (Genesis 3:1). When we believe God's promise, we have confidence that we are saved. If we waver and doubt, we are still saved because God's promise is greater than our doubt.

4. Confidence grows by our understanding and believing God's promise.

 "And we know that the Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may know him that is true, and we are in him that is true, even in his Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God, and eternal life." (I John 5:20)

 "So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God." (Romans 10:17)

Jesus Christ came to give us a clear understanding of Himself as the true Son of God, Who guarantees us eternal life. My faith in Christ grows the more I hear and believe God's promise of eternal life.

5. Salvation is not earned by works, kept by works, or lost by works.

 Ephesians 2:8-9

 "Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us...." (Titus 3:5)



“But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags....” (Isaiah 64:6)

The work for our salvation was finished completely by Jesus Christ. God does not accept my payment or need my assistance to pay the sin debt.

6. Our confidence is in Whom we believe.



“...for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day.” (II Timothy 1:12)

7. We are confident of our salvation because the whole debt is paid.



“... we shall be saved from wrath through him.” (Romans 5:9)



“For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified. Now where remission of these is, there is no more offering for sin.” (Hebrews 10:14,18)



“When Jesus ... said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost.” (John 19:30)

Jesus took on Him all the wrath we deserved. Jesus saved us from the second death, which is eternal separation from God in the lake of fire. He was separated from the Father so we could be eternally united with the Father.

Can I Lose My Salvation?

1. No, there is nothing we can do to lose our salvation.



John 6:37



“My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father’s hand.”
(John 10:29)



“Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them.” (Hebrews 7:25)

2. No, because God cannot lie.



“In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began.” (Titus 1:2)

3. God’s Word says clearly we can know that we have eternal life.



“He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life. These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.” (I John 5:12-13)



"Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life." (John 5:24)

4. God seals (guarantees) our salvation with His Holy Spirit.



"In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise." (Ephesians 1:13)

5. Our salvation is not determined by our feelings; it is determined by God's promises.



"There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit." (Romans 8:1)



Romans 8:35-39; John 10:27-29

Faith in God's promises calms our feelings.

Why do people doubt their salvation?

1. Guilt from habitual sin.



"But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin." (I John 1:7)



"There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit." (Romans 8:1)

2. We cannot remember the details of when we got saved.



"And hereby we know that he abideth in us, by the Spirit which he hath given us." (I John 3:24)



"The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God..." (Romans 8:16)

3. The Devil tries to deceive us.



I John 4:3-6

4. Because of false teachers.



"These things have I written unto you concerning them that seduce you." (I John 2:26) Seduce means "to lead astray and deceive."

Lesson Two Quiz

1) Eternal security is an awareness of God's _____ that we are saved forever from the _____.

2) List a verse in the Bible that proves our salvation is eternal.

3) According to I John 3:20, who is greater than our doubts?

4) Jesus Christ was _____ from the Father so we could be eternally _____ with the Father.

5) How do we know we cannot lose our salvation? (Include a verse for each answer.)

a. Because God cannot _____.

b. God's Word _____ that we can know we have eternal life.

c. God _____ our salvation with His Holy Spirit.

6. Our salvation is not determined by our _____;
it is determined by God's promises.

7. Why do people doubt their salvation?
(Include a verse for each answer.)

a. _____ from habitual sin.

b. We cannot _____ the
details of when we got saved.

c. The Devil tries to _____ us.

Memory Verses

(Choose at least two Scripture verses to memorize from the following list.)

John 10:28

Ephesians 2:8-9

I John 3:20

Romans 8:1

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