

ASSURANCE OF SALVATION

Psalm 118:24

This is the day that the LORD has made we will rejoice and be glad in it.

It is great to know Him whom to know is life eternal. Isn't it marvellous to be saved? Isn't it good to know beyond a shadow of a doubt you are saved. Are you sure?

I have known some people who have been saved for years and still aren't sure. I thought a few scriptures on assurance would be in order.

Can you be absolutely sure?

You can absolutely have "Assurance of Salvation", but the only way you can be sure is by God's Word. God's Word lives and abides forever.

2 Timothy 3:16

All scripture is given by inspiration.

Psalm 119:50

This is my comfort in my affliction, for Your Word has given me life.

John 1:1 – 5

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

2 He was in the beginning with God.

3 All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made.

4 In Him was life, and the life was the light of men.

5 And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.

Psalm 119:105

Your Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

Psalm 138:2

For You have magnified Your word above all Your name.

John 17:16

Your Word is truth.

Isaiah 40:8

The grass withers, the flower fades, but the Word of our God stands forever.

God's Word is eternal. It lives and abides forever. God's Word cannot fail. Put your trust and confidence and hope in God's Word.

Let us look at God's Word for assurance.

What does God's Word say about assurance?

It does not matter what your church, your best friend, or the prime minister tells you about assurance, forget it and reach for God's Word.

Some folks may say, "Oh I think I'm saved. I go to church and I am a good person."

But this is just rubbish. God's Word says, "All our good works are as filthy rags in God's sight."

Titus 3 – 5

Not by works of righteousness which we have done but according to His mercy He saved us.

Forget all this trash and stand on God's unchanging Word.

Philippians 2:12

Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.

John 20:31

But there are written that you might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you might have life through His Name.

John 3:36

The one who believes in the Son of God has eternal life. The one who rejects the Son will not see life, but God's wrath remains on him.

Acts 10:43

Everyone who believes in Him receives forgiveness of sins through His Name.

1 John 5:11 – 13

11 And this is the testimony: that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son.

12 He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life.

How blessed we are in Canada to have God's Word.

1 John 3:14

We know that we have passed from death unto life because we love the brethren. He that loveth now his brother abides in death.

I am a great believer in assurance of salvation for I have live for years under condemnation...but the Bible says, in Romans 8:1, There is therefore now NO CONDEMNATION for those who are IN CHRIST JESUS!.

**Under the blood of Jesus
Safe in the shepherd's fold
Under the blood of Jesus
Safe while the ages roll
Safe though the worlds may crumble
Safe though he stars grow dim
Under the blood of Jesus
I am secure in Him.**

The Good books says in Philippians 1:6

Being confident of this very thing, that he which has begun a good work in your will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ.

I've got the blood on the door of my heart and all my life is beneath that crimson flood

Now when God look at me He no more sees the things I've done He only sees the blood of His crucified Son.

Imagine, when God looks at us He sees the blood of Jesus and when God sees the blood He sees perfection. So when God looks at us He sees us as perfect, washed in the blood of Jesus. Now go home and tell your wives I said, "You are all perfect." That should get some response.

If you still are not sure of your salvation study, read, meditate, memorize God's Holy Word, and when you do FAITH to believe will follow. God's Holy Word: "Now faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God....or faith comes by hearing God's Word being spoken out loud.

Scripture tells us in John 5:24

Surely, surely, I say to you. He that hears My Word and believes on Him that sent Me had everlasting life and shall not come into condemnation but is passed from death unto life.

The Word says, in Romans 10:9 -10

9 If you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.

10 For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

The scripture also says, **Whosoever believes on Him shall not be ashamed."**

John 1:12

But as many as received Him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his Name. Oh I love that!

One thing that can take away your assurance of salvation is sin, but the Bible says that if we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Just ask His forgiveness and get up, dust yourself off and keep on trucking.

1 John 2:1 lets us know that we don't have to sin.

My little children, there things write I unto you that you sin not.

We can do all things through Christ who strengthens us.

So for assurance, stay in the Word, stay in prayer, praise the LORD, ask forgiveness of failure and mistakes and He will give you assurance of salvation.

In closing,

The LORD bless you and keep you. The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.