

CHRISTIANITY 101

Lesson #3

Be Sure of Your Salvation

**BE SURE OF YOUR SALVATION...
YOU CAN KNOW YOU HAVE ETERNAL LIFE!**

1 John 5

¹¹ And this is the testimony: 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.

¹³ I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may **know that you have eternal life.**

JOHN SAYS HE WROTE THESE THINGS
SO THAT WE CAN KNOW WE HAVE
ETERNAL LIFE!

The obvious question then is,

“What things?”

IF YOU CONFESS YOU SIN....YOU CAN BE SURE OF YOUR FORGIVENESS

1 John 1:9

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and **will** (not “fixin to) forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

ADMIT YOU ARE A SINNER!

1 John 1:8 If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the **truth** is not in us.

John 14:6 I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father, except through Me.

1 John 1:10 If we claim we have not sinned we make Him (God) out to be a liar and His word has no place in our lives.

DON'T PRACTICE SIN. PRACTICE OBEDIENCE.

1 **John 2:3** We know we have come to know Him if we obey His commands. 4. The man who says, "I know Him," but does not do what He commands is a liar, and the Truth is not in him. 5. But if anyone obeys His word, God's love is truly made complete in him. This is how we know that we are in Him: 6. Whoever claims to live in Him must walk as Jesus did.

John 14:23 Jesus replied, “If anyone loves Me, he will obey My teaching. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him.

1 John 3:7 & 9-10 Little children, make sure no one deceives you; the one who practices righteousness is righteous, just as He is righteous;

9 No one who is born of God practices sin, because His seed abides in him; and he cannot sin, because he is born of God. ¹⁰ By this the children of God and the children of the devil are obvious: anyone who does not practice righteousness is not of God, nor the one who does not love his brother.

WHAT IF I MESS UP...AGAIN?

- 1 John 2:1

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous;

If you mess up...

don't give up...

mess up.

YOU HAVE THE WITNESS OF HIS SPIRIT

1 John 4:17 By this we know that we abide in Him and He in us, because He has given us of His Spirit.

Romans 8:9 You, however, are controlled not by the sinful nature but by the Spirit, if the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Christ.

Romans 8:16 The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children.

2 Corinthians 5:5 Now it is God who has made us for this very purpose and has given us the Spirit as a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come.

LOVE GOD AND LOVE PEOPLE!

1 **John 2:9-11** The one who says he is in the Light and yet hates his brother is in the darkness until now. ¹⁰ The one who loves his brother abides in the Light and there is no cause for stumbling in him. ¹¹ But the one who hates his brother is in the darkness and walks in the darkness, and does not know where he is going because the darkness has blinded his eyes.

1 John 3:11

For this is the message which you have heard from the beginning, that we should love one another.

Matthew 22:37-40 And He said to him, " `You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and your soul, and with all your mind.' ³⁸ "This is the great and foremost commandment.

³⁹ "The second is like it, `You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' ⁴⁰ "On these two commandments depend the whole Law and the Prophets."

7 Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. 8 The one who does not love does not know God, for God is love. 9 By this the love of God was manifested in us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world so that we might live through Him.

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. 12 No one has seen God at any time; if we love one another, God abides in us, and His love is perfected in us. 13 By this we know that we abide in Him and He in us, because He has given us of His Spirit.

14 We have seen and testify that the Father has sent the Son to be the Savior of the world.

- 15 Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God. 16 We have come to know and have believed the love which God has for us. God is love, and the one who abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him.

- 17 By this, love is perfected with us, so that we may have confidence in the day of judgment; because as He is, so also are we in this world

18 There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves punishment, and the one who fears is not perfected in love. 19 We love, because He first loved us.

- 20 If someone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for the one who does not love his brother whom he has seen, cannot love God whom he has not seen. 21 And this commandment we have from Him, that the one who loves God should love his brother also.