

Assurance of Salvation

“Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ.” (Philippians 1:6)

Introduction:

The first elementary part of knowing God’s will is knowing for sure that if you die today you will go to heaven. God’s will for you is your Sanctification (I Thessalonians 4:3a).

Can you really know for sure that you are going to Heaven? Absolutely. 1 John 5:13 *“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.”* Here are 7 of the most common reasons that a person doubts their salvation.

7 reasons why people doubt their salvation

1. **Uncertainty about childhood Decisions** (I John 5; John 3:36; Matthew 18:3; II Timothy 3:15).
2. **Unconfessed sin** (Psalm 51:10-12; 66:18; Proverbs 28:13).
3. **Unconquered Life patterns** (II Peter 2:10; I John 3:3; Jude 8).
4. **Unrest from past Failures** (Philippians 3:13-14; II Peter 1:10; I John 1:9).
5. **Unresolved Conflicts** (Psalm 66:18; Matthew 18:35; Hebrews 12:15).
6. **Unfaithfulness in Adding to their faith** (Ephesians 4:14-15; Hebrews 5:13-14; II Peter 1:5).
7. **Unsaved** (Matthew 18:12-14; Luke 13:3; II Corinthians 13:5).

Timothy, as a young man, was very Insecure, weak and ashamed of the Gospel. Paul encouraged him to be secure in Christ. 2 Timothy 1:12-13 – *“For the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless I am not ashamed: 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. Hold fast the form of sound words, which thou hast heard of me, in faith and love which is in Christ Jesus.”*

4 Action Points

1. **Review your own Salvation experience** (2 Peter 1:12).
2. **Identify why you might doubt your salvation** (2 Peter 2:9).
3. **Hold fast to the sound Words of God** (2 Timothy 1:12-13).
4. **Trust God to Continue what He started** (Philippians 1:6).

Closing

/// – Building a house on your own property, but daily going down to the land claims office to check the deed.