Glenwood Baptist Church

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ASSURANCE: How to Know That You Have Eternal Life

Lesson Four • 1John 2:3-6 Show That You Know Jesus

Are You Saved and You Know It?

If you're saved and you know it, then your life will surely show it by your <u>OBEDIENCE</u>.

Now by this we know that we know Him , if we keep His commandments. 1John 2:3

These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life. 1John 5:13

Correlation Between Salvation, Obedience, and Assurance

Obedience is not a CONDITION of salvation (for that would be salvation by works), but obedience is an <u>EVIDENCE</u> of salvation (which is by grace through faith) and, in turn, that obedience produces ASSURANCE of salvation.

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. Ephesians 2:8-9

John's Test of Obedience

Is there enough evidence to prove you're a true believer in Jesus Christ?

Examine yourselves, to see whether you are in the faith. Test yourselves. 2Corinthians 13:5

2. Obedience Shows That You Are Not a LIAR!

He who says, "I know Him," and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him. 1John 2:4

3. Obedience Shows That You LOVE God!

But whoever keeps His word, truly the love of God is perfected in him. 1John 2:5 "If you love Me, you will keep My commandments." ~Jesus, John 14:15

4. Obedience Shows That You Are FOLLOWING Jesus!

By this we know that we are in Him. He who says he abides in Him ought himself also to walk just as He walked. 1John 2:5-6

"I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing." ~Jesus, John 15:5

The Joy of Assurance

True believers in Jesus <u>ENJOY</u> the assurance of their salvation because they know Him and obey Him.

Examine Your Life: Are You Saved and You Know It?

- Do you know for sure that you know Jesus and have eternal life?
- □ Is your desire to obey God's Word in all areas of your life? Are you following Jesus, imitating Him and walking as He walked?
- □ Are you grieved and convicted when you disobey God? Do you confess your sins when you disobey God, receiving His forgiveness and cleansing?

What Obedience Shows

1. Obedience Shows That You Truly KNOW Jesus!

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