

FOLLOW THRU

Security of the Believer

Imagine yourself in a vault of Fort Knox. You are surrounded by the untold riches of gold bars stored there. The door is firmly secured and will not be opened until morning. There is a fully functioning life support system inside the vault and ample food supply for a month. You are safe and secure.

In like manner, the believer finds himself safe and secure in the protective hands of a God who is able to keep him. The Scripture is clear about the fact that once a person becomes a Christian, the salvation of the believer is secure. Our faith rests not on the feelings of man but, on the facts found in the Bible.

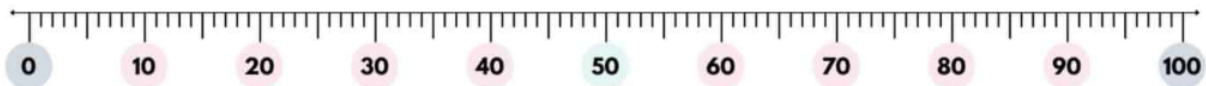
Assurance of our salvation is a feeling. Security of the believer is a fact. We are secure whether we feel safe or not. Just like a person in a vault, they are safe from all harms from the outside world. To feel insecure because of an enemy on the outside of the vault would be silly.

However, most Christians today struggle with being assured of their salvation. We want to look at the fact of the security of the believer.

Discussion Questions:

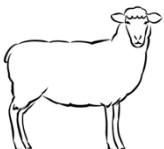
How do you know you are a Christian?

On a scale from 1 to 100, if you were to die right now, how sure are you that you would go to heaven?



Secure in God's Hand

Read John 10:25-30 and write your thoughts or questions below:



What is Eternal Life?

Read John 17:3

Before reading the verses below, who do you think has Eternal Life?

Now, read the following verses and answer the question below:

1 John 5:11-13 (cross reference -- John 1:2)

John 3:16

John 5:18-24 (focus vs. 24)

John 20:24-29

What did Jesus have to say about Eternal Life and who receives it?

Nothing can Separate us From God's Love

Read Romans 8:31-39 and write your thoughts or questions below:



Made Alive in Christ

Ephesians 2:1-10

Who is the Spirit and what is his role in a person's salvation?

Read Romans 8:5-17 (focus on vs., 14, 16) (cross reference -- Gal 5:16-24)

Practicing Righteousness Proves Salvation

Read 1 John 2:28-29 and write your thoughts and questions below:

As a result of this lesson: If you were to die right now, how sure are you that you would go to heaven? Why?

