



## **LEVEL 3**

### **ASSURANCES**

#### **CLASS ONE: ASSURANCE OF SALVATION**

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We must be able to know absolutely that we are saved. We must be sure that we know this. We must be as sure as this more than being sure of any other thing in the world. We do not have to die before we know that we are saved. This assurance is for us today!

Three means by which we can have this assurance:

##### **1. God Says So**

Our first means of assurance is God's Word. We cannot fully trust what men say but we can trust what God says. Men can say something today and change their mind about what they said another time. We can however trust what God says at any time. The Bible is God's Word. When we want to know what God is saying concerning any issue, we must go to His Word. Bible says it is impossible for God to lie [**Hebrews 6:18 | Numbers 23:19**]. Whatever God says stands firm forever [**Psalm 119:89**]. God's Word is not vague. His word is clear. His Word does not contradict itself.

The Bible is God's Word to us today. The Bible is God's very Word inspired by Him [**2 Tim 3:16**]. We can take His Word, believe His Word and trust His Word. We can believe what God's Word says about salvation. The Bible says that the Way of Salvation is a Person, Jesus Christ [**John 3:16 | John 14:6 | Acts 10:43 | Acts 16:31**].

The Bible says; that whoever believes that Jesus Christ has risen from the dead and confesses with his mouth that Jesus is Lord is saved. Whoever calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. [**Romans 10:9–13**]

Have you done this? Have you believed in Christ and confessed openly that He is your Lord? Have you called on His name? If so, you are really saved. God says it, that settles it.

##### **2. The Holy Spirit Bears Witness**

Not only do we have God's Word outside us telling us we are saved. We have a witness inside us, telling us the very same thing. What the Bible speaks to us from without, the Spirit confirms within [**1 John 5:10**]. Sometimes, after people receive Christ, they may not feel saved. However, if we look within the deepest part of us, we will find an assurance that we are the children of God.

Deep down within anyone who is born again is an assurance that he/she is a child of God. This assurance goes beyond a feeling. It is a deep conviction [**Romans 8:16**].

This assurance does not depend on anything external- it is eternal. This assurance does not depend on what others think about you or you even think about yourself. The Holy Spirit within you bears witness, "You are a child of God!" This voice is stronger than our feelings. This voice is stronger than what others think about us.



### **3. Our Love for the Brothers is Proof!**

A saved person has a unique love for others. He begins to care for others who he might not be related to biologically. A born again person desires to fellowship and enjoy Christ with others. This is a spontaneous result of being saved. This love is impartial – it even extends to those who are different [**1 John 3:14**].

**NOTE:** There are two groups of people; those who are saved and those who are perishing. There is not a third class of those who hope to be saved.

#### **You Are a Child of God.**

Once we were born again, we are born into the family of God. God is our father. He is not only our God but He is now our father. Because He is our father, He cares for us! He is interested in each of us individually; not just as a group, or a body or a church. He is interested in each of His children and loves each one of us with the same love. God is the creator of all mankind, but a man must be born again to become His child.

He is God to the world, but father to the new creation man. God is your very own father. You are His very own child and if He is your father, you can be assured He will take a father's place and perform a father's part. You can be certain that as your father He loves you, and will take care of you.