

## **Blessed Assurance**

### **1John 5:13-21**

#### **I Have Assurance**

John writes to give assurance to Christians

Almost 30% of the verses in the last 4 chapters contain the word "know"

Idea in most of them is our confidence in God and His Word

Some even speak of our confidence in our own actions

The first chapter tells us how to gain such assurance and confidence

We can be blessed with assurance of our salvation

#### **Begins with Faith In Jesus**

The testimony is certain - **1John 1:1**

Thus, our faith has the assurance of eye, ear and hand witnesses.

Jesus told disciples "see" & "handle" that they might know - **Luke 24:38-39**

John could say like Peter - **2Peter 1:16-21**

Possible for physical senses to deceive; courts prefer multiple witnesses

Paul mentions over five hundred witnesses - **1Corinthians 15:5-8**

Apostles didn't deliver by hearsay, human tradition, or conjecture

Through testimony of eye, ear & hand witnesses, we learn of Jesus - **1John 1:3-4**

#### **Continues With A Relationship**

The message from Jesus is that "God is light" - **1John 1:5**

God is the source of all light (physical and spiritual) - **John 1:4-9**

Those who obey God are "saints in the light" - **Colossians 1:12**

The Devil and his angels are spoken of as darkness - **Ephesians 6:12; Colossians 1:13**

There is no mixture of light and darkness with God - **1John 1:6**

#### **Depends Upon Faithfulness**

A continuous way of life - **Psalms 119:105; John 8:12; 1John 1:7**

Assurance lost in darkness

We must continue walking in the light of God's word.

The one claiming sinlessness is deceived - **1John 1:8**

Without Truth we remain soiled

Acknowledging our sinfulness encourages our dependence on Jesus - **1John 1:9**

An honest admission of our weakness toward sin

We must confess our sin to God - **1John 1:10; Romans 3:23**

#### **We Are Assured**

If I walk in the Light of God, I am saved through Christ - **1John 2:1-6**

Do you have that assurance?