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YOU CAN BE ASSURED OF YOUR SALVATION

Congratulations! You recently became a Christian when you prayed the prayer of faith with me through my YouTube video, but you may have experienced doubts about what really happened to you. So I want to share with you some assurances that God gives you in the Bible about your salvation with this free New Believer Resource.

WHAT HAPPENED WHEN I PRAYED FOR FORGIVENESS OF MY SINS AND ASKED JESUS INTO MY LIFE?

FACT:

God wants to have a personal relationship with you. He is not some force, or unspeaking or unseen idol. God is a person, your creator, who created you to be in relationship with him. He wants to have a personal relationship with you because he loves you and wants the very best for you. He loves you so much that he gave his only son, Jesus, for you.

Bible scripture:

John 3:16. *"For God loved the world so much that he gave his only son, so that anyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life."*

1. God assures you that Jesus Christ has come into your life.

John 14:20. Jesus said, *"When I am raised to life again, you will know that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you."*

When you prayed in faith and asked Jesus to come into your life you were saved and the Holy Spirit came to live inside you.

2. God assures you that your sins have been forgiven.

Colossians 2:13–14. *"God made you alive with Christ, for he forgave all your sins. He canceled the record of the charges against us and took it away by nailing it to the cross."*

When you said the prayer of faith to ask God to forgive you all your sins, your sins were forever washed away and you were made white as snow and brand new like a new born

baby.

3. God assures you that you have eternal life.

1 John 5:13. Jesus said, *"I have written this to you who believe in the name of the son of God, so that you may know you have eternal life."*

Life on this earth is not all you have to look forward to. You have been given a promise because you believe in Jesus, asked for forgiveness and asked him to be a part of your life - you now are promised a gift of eternal life - you did not have to earn it. You now have a future in heaven with your Heavenly Father because of what Jesus did on the cross.

4. You can know that you are loved unconditionally. God loves you, chose you, and adopts you into his own family.

Ephesians 1: 4–5. *"Even before he made all the world, God loved us and chose us in Christ to be holy and without fault in his eyes. God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure."*

No matter what else will be going on in your life, no matter what acceptance or rejection you may be facing or have faced from others, you can know that God has completely accepted you and loves you unconditionally. Nothing, not even you, can change that. It gives God great pleasure to call you His child.

WHAT'S NEXT?

God has given you a new life, but don't expect to be different all at once. Just as a new baby has to grow and learn, so God is going to help you to grow.

1. You have a new life in Christ. You have begun a relationship that will continue the rest of your life.

Colossians 2:6. *"And now, just as you accepted Christ Jesus, as your Lord, you must continue to follow him."*

As you accepted Jesus in faith you now need to continue in faith which will be learned and experienced through your spiritual progress. This is a relationship that will continue for the rest of your life so be patient with yourself - God is a patient and loving Father who is going to work in you and will help you grow as a christian.

2. You have the privilege of prayer.

Philippians 4:6. *"Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done."*

Just as good friends can talk to each other, so God, your heavenly father, wants you to

talk to him about anything and everything. He wants you to involve Him in your life - family and friends, school and work. You may not understand it right now, but you'll find that he talks to you as well.

Going forward: Make a commitment to getting used to talking to God daily. Start out with three minutes a day and work your way to more time little by little as you talk to Him about more and more things in your life.

3. You have the treasure of God's Word - the Bible - you can trust what it says.

2 Timothy 3:16. *"All scripture is inspired by God. It is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right."*

When you buy something new, you usually get a physical or electronic instruction manual. With your new life in Christ, you need God's instruction manual, the Bible. In fact, the way God will often communicate with you will come as you read his Word. God is a god of truth - He would not leave us a book that is not truth or could not be trusted. The bible was written by the supernatural influence of the Holy Spirit. You will learn more of the Holy Spirit as you grow and learn.

Going forward: Make a commitment to yourself to spending five minutes a day reading the Bible. Begin in the book of Mark in the New Testament and read about Jesus. You can keep a journal or something to write on to write what you learned or something you need to do.

4. You have a great friend in Jesus, so get to know him! - Only because of Jesus do you have a personal relationship with God.

Colossians 1:19–20 ERV. "God was pleased for all of himself to live in the Son. And through him, God was happy to bring all things back to himself again—things on earth and things in heaven. God made peace by using the blood sacrifice of his Son on the cross."

As you read the book of Mark, you've been learning more about Jesus. You are going to learn that Jesus is God but made human. You will also learn that Jesus came in order to show us God and then to take the punishment for our sins when he died on the cross. You'll also learn that because Jesus was human he understands what we humans here on earth go through but he gave us the example of how to live a life dedicated to living and obeying God His Father and our Father.

5. You now have a new life in Jesus Christ. You show your love for Jesus by doing what he says.

John 14:15. Jesus said, *"If you love me, obey my commandments."*

Philippians 2:13. *"Yes, it is God who is working in you. He helps you want to do what*

pleases him, and he gives you the power to do it."

A good foundation is essential for a house when it is built. Jesus wants you to know that obeying God will give your new life as a Christian is a solid foundation to stand and live on. In the Bible you will read about people that did not automatically know how to live as a new believer in Jesus. They had to learn little by little. It is the same for you. You will learn as you read and study the Bible and as the Holy Spirit helps you - that is the Holy Spirit's job. Too many people obey God because of pressure from people on the outside - but God will give you the power on the inside because you love Him.

6. Get grounded in a church - your new spiritual community.

Hebrews 10:25 CEV. "Some people have given up the habit of meeting for worship, but we must not do that. We should keep on encouraging each other, especially since you know that the day of the Lord's coming is getting closer."

Fellowship, or in other words, community with other believers in church is really important for you as a new Christian. First of all, fellowship with God must never become selfish. It is so beneficial to meet and fellowship with other Christians; not only will you benefit by getting the support and the encouragement you need in your new life in Christ, but you also will be contributing to other's lives and you will have an opportunity to make new friends.

You will also grow stronger in your faith when you get planted in a grace teaching church. A grace teaching church is one that teaches you that it is because of God's love and grace (unmerited favor) that you have been saved and not because you did or have to do something to earn God's love and salvation.

Colossians 2:7. "Let your roots grow down into him, and let your lives be built on him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught, and you will overflow with thankfulness."

Ephesians 2:8-9 ESV. "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."

Going forward: Make a commitment to find a church in your area. You can do a Google search. I know people who have found our church through Yelp and looking at the comments people have written.

Child of God, I bless you in your new walk with God. I am excited for all the good things ahead of you. I pray that the knowledge of God's love for you grows more and more each day. Don't give up. Being a Christian is not always easy, but it is possible because you have Jesus walking beside you everyday and you have His Holy Spirit that will give you the strength and guidance you need. Just pray for his help. He is closer than your breath.

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