

CHAPTER FOUR

Assurance Of Salvation

Training Objective

This Discipleship Learning Principle will enable us to confidently express to another person our own assurance of salvation based on The Word of God.

Scriptures

- 1 John 5:11-13, John 1:12-13 We can know that we're saved only through The Word of God and our faith in the atoning work of Jesus Christ?
- Romans 8:14-16 The witness of the Spirit

Activities

1. Go over the gospel message again.

TP #1 – To whom do we belong: God Created Us for Himself

God is the holy Creator, and humanity was made for relationship with Him.

Genesis 1:26–27 - Isaiah 43:7 - Colossians 1:16

The gospel begins with God's purpose for us. He made us to know Him, love Him, and reflect Him.

NOTE: Study, Know, Be able to share!

Article of Faith 3a (IIIa) – Of The Fall of Man

TP #2 – Rebellion and Bad Behavior

Humanity Rebelled Against God (Sin)! All people have sinned and fallen short of God's glory.

- Genesis 3, Romans 3:23, Isaiah 53:6

Sin is not just immoral behavior—it is rebellion against His Rule and His Law, His Way and His Will. Sin leads to separation from God, and spiritual death.

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Article of Faith 3b (IIIb)– Of The Fall of Main

TP #3 – Sin Brings Judgment and Death

The consequence of sin is death—physical, spiritual, and eternal.

Romans 6:23, Hebrews 9:27, Ephesians 2:1–3

Humanity cannot save itself; sin's penalty must be paid.

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Article of Faith 3c (IIIc)– Of The Fall of Main

TP #4 – Redemption, Reconciliation

God Sent His Son Jesus as the Only Savior

Jesus is fully God and fully man, sent to rescue us.

John 1:14, John 3:16–17, 1 Timothy 1:15

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Article of Faith 4a (IVa)– Of Of The Way of Salvation

TP #5 – Jesus Lived the Perfect Life We Could Not Live!

He fulfilled the Law, obeyed perfectly, and never sinned.

Hebrews 4:15, 1 Peter 2:22, Matthew 5:17

Through our faith in Him, His righteousness becomes our righteousness.

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Article of Faith 4b (IVb)– Of Of The Way of Salvation

TP #6 – Jesus Died on the Cross as Our Substitute

He bore our sins, took our punishment, and satisfied God's justice.

Isaiah 53:4–6, 2 Corinthians 5:21, Romans 5:8

The cross is the center of the gospel—Jesus died “there for us” and “there instead of us”

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Article of Faith 4b (IVb)– Of Of The Way of Salvation

TP #7 – Jesus Rose from the Dead in Power!

His resurrection proves His deity, victory, and the truth of His message.

Matthew 28:5–6, Romans 4:25, 1 Corinthians 15:3–4, 17

The resurrection is the guarantee of new life.

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Article of Faith #11 (XI)– Of The Resurrection

TP #8 – Repentance, Regeneration, Restoration, Justification

Those who “repent” and “trust” and “believe” on the Lord Jesus Christ through “faith” receive salvation.

We are saved by grace through faith—not works.

Mark 1:15, Ephesians 2:8–9, Romans 10:9–10

The gospel demands a response—turning from sin and trusting Christ.

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Article of Faith #5 (V) – Of Justification

Article of Faith #6 (VI)– Of the Freeness of Salvation

Article of Faith #8 (VIII) – Of repentance and faith

TP #9 – The Holy Spirit Gives New Life and Transforms Us

He regenerates, indwells, empowers, and sanctifies believers.

John 3:5–8, Titus 3:5–6, Galatians 5:22–23

The gospel doesn’t just forgive—it transforms.

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Article of Faith #7 (VII) Of Grace in Regeneration

Article of Faith #10 (X) Of Sanctification

Article of Faith #11 (XI) Of The Perseverance of The Saints

TP #10 – Jesus Will Return to Restore All Things!

He will judge evil, reward His people, and make all things new.

Revelation 21:1–5, Acts 17:31, 2 Peter 3:10–13

The gospel ends with hope—God will finish what He started.

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Article of Faith #12 (XII) Of The Return of The LORD

2. Express certainty they are a Christian by Taking about and through the Gospel Message with confidence
3. Observe and guide.

Reading Material

- The Holy Bible
- The Articles of Faith
- Beginning with Christ (NavPress), Section 1
- Lessons on Assurance (NavPress), Chapter 1
- Studies in Christian Living (NavPress), Book 1, Chapter 1
- LeRoy Eims, What Every Christian Should Know About Growing (Victor Books), pages 51-53
- Paul Hutchens, The Know-so Christian (Back to the Bible)
- M. C. Griffiths, Christian Assurance (InterVarsity Press) 7.