## Pastor's Welcome Class Lesson 1 Key Assurance of Salvation

## God's Plan of Salvation

- 1. All have <u>sinned</u>. The Bible says that "all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." (Rom. 3:23 NKJV) That includes you and me. Would you agree?
- 2. The penalty for sin is <u>death</u>. The Bible also says that "the wages of sin is death..." (Rom. 6:23a NKJV) This is not only talking about physical death, but about eternal punishment in hell.
- 3. You cannot be saved by good works. It also reads that "not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us." (Tit. 3:5 NKJV) In other words, you cannot be saved by being good enough or doing enough good things.
- 4. God still <u>loves</u> us and sent Jesus to die on the cross for our sins. The Good News is that God still loved us and sent Jesus to die on the cross for our sins. The Bible says that "God proved His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." (Rom. 5:8 NKJV)
- 5. God raised Jesus from the <u>dead</u>. The Bible tells us that "He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures." (1 Cor. 15:4 NKJV)
- 6. It is now possible for us to be <u>saved</u>. Because Jesus died for our sins and rose again he made it possible for us to be saved and to receive the gift of eternal life. The Bible says, "the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." (Rom. 6:23b NKJV)
- 7. <u>Repent</u> and <u>believe</u>. In order to receive the gift of eternal life you must repent from your sins and believe in Jesus Christ. Jesus said, "Repent, and believe in the gospel." (Mark 1:14 NKJV) That means that you must turn from your sins, turn to Jesus Christ, and receive Him as Lord and Savior by faith.

- 8. Receive Jesus by calling on His Name: God has promised that "whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved." (Rom. 10:13 NKJV)
- 9. Invitation: Are you willing to turn from your sins and receive Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior? Would you like to pray and call on the Name of the Lord to receive the gift of eternal life? Then pray this out loud with me: "Lord Jesus, I admit that I am a sinner. I know that without you I will die and go to hell. But I do not want to die and go to hell. I want to be saved. I turn from my sins right now, and I call on the Name of Jesus to save me. Jesus, come into my heart. Be my Lord and Savior. Forgive my sins. Give me a new heart and give me the gift of eternal life. I confess with my mouth that Jesus is Lord, and I believe in my heart that God raised Him from the dead."
- 10. <u>Assurance</u> of salvation. The Bible says in (Rom. 10:9 NKJV) <sup>9</sup>that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. If you truly believe in your heart that God raised Jesus from the dead, and if you truly confess Jesus as your Lord, then you are saved.

## More Salvation Promises

- 1. (John 3:16, 17 NKJV) <sup>16</sup> "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. <sup>17</sup> "For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.
- 2. (John 5:24 NKJV) <sup>24</sup> "Most assuredly, I say to you, he who hears My word and believes in Him who sent Me has everlasting life, and shall not come into judgment, but has passed from death into life.
- 3. (John 20:31 NKJV) <sup>31</sup>but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.
- 4. (Rev. 3:20 NKJV) <sup>20</sup> "Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come into him and dine with him, and he with Me.

- 5. (Acts 16:30, 31 NKJV)  $^{30}$ And he brought them out and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?"  $^{31}$ So they said, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved, you and your household."
- 6. (John 10:9 NKJV) <sup>9</sup>"I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture.