

GOD'S GRACE AND THE ASSURANCE OF OUR SALVATION

Central Idea: *Our assurance of eternal salvation is based solely on our having trusted in Christ as Savior.*

I. Two Biblical Truths: God's Grace and Our Assurance

II. Two Ways of Living the Christian Life

III. Two Significant Distinctions

- There is a difference between a gift and a prize

- There is a difference between believing and abiding

Conclusion: Why is having assurance of my eternal salvation important?

Questions for Personal Reflection or Group Discussion

1. Have you ever worried you weren't saved? What helped you to trust God's promises?
2. If you have struggled to gain assurance of your salvation, consider where you have placed your focus. Has it been on Jesus and what He has done or on yourself and how you have lived the Christian life? See if you can articulate the difference.
3. If you talked to a Christian who was unsure of his salvation, how would you explain that he can know for sure he is saved and will remain saved by the power of God?

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