

Seeing Through the Fog

How Do I Know If I'm Saved?

1 John 5:13; Ephesians 1:13-14; 2:1-9 | November 9, 2025

*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.*

– 1 John 5:13 NLT

**We are saved when we realize we are sinners in need of a Savior,
believe that Jesus is that Savior, and respond to God's gift of grace.**

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S GRACE:

Faith → Repentance → Confession → Baptism

OTHER SCRIPTURE REFERENCED:

Romans 6:3-4; 10:9-10; Acts 18:24-26; 19:1-6; 1 Peter 3:20-21

NOTES: _____

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Joy Drive on Nov. 15 at 10:00 AM

Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes due back on Nov. 16

WCC Thanksgiving Dinner on Nov. 19

Thinking About Baptism? class on Nov. 23 at 9:00 AM

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STUDY QUESTIONS

GETTING STARTED:

What's a "foggy" question you've wrestled with lately (about God or just in life)?

A DEEPER DIVE:

Read Ephesians 2:1-9

- Paul says we were "dead" in our sins. Why do you think Paul uses such strong language? What does it mean to be spiritually dead?
- The phrase "But God" changes everything in this passage. How does understanding our spiritual condition (dead in sin) help us appreciate God's grace more fully?
- Paul emphasizes that salvation is "not by works, so that no one can boast." Why is it so hard for us to accept that we can't earn our salvation? What does it look like to truly receive grace as a gift?

Read Ephesians 1:13-14 and 1 John 5:13

- Paul wrote that the Holy Spirit is our "seal" and our "guarantee." What does it mean to be sealed by the Holy Spirit? How does this give us confidence about our salvation?
- John wrote, "so that you may know you have eternal life." Do you feel confident about your salvation, or do you sometimes struggle with doubt? What causes those doubts?

Read Acts 18:24-26 and 19:1-7

- What do Apollos and the Ephesian disciples teach us about being humble learners as we grow in our understanding of Christ and our response to God's grace?

THIS WEEK'S APPLICATION:

Think about these questions: Do I have faith that Jesus is Lord? Has my faith led me to repentance and caused my heart to turn toward Jesus? Have I confessed that Jesus is Lord and demonstrated my obedience through baptism?

How would you answer each of these? Is there any step you need to take?