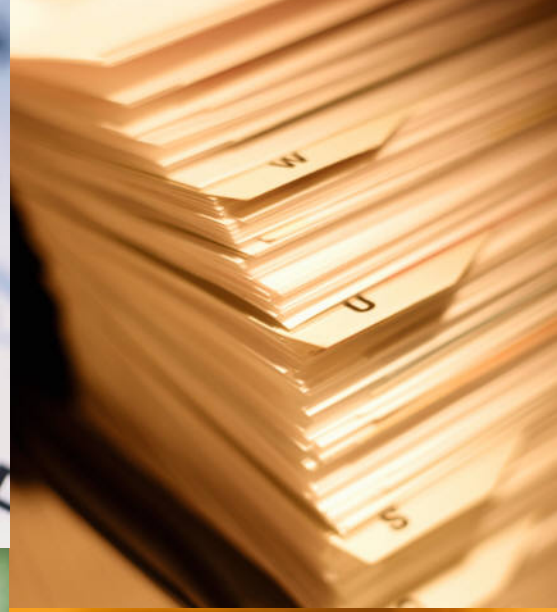
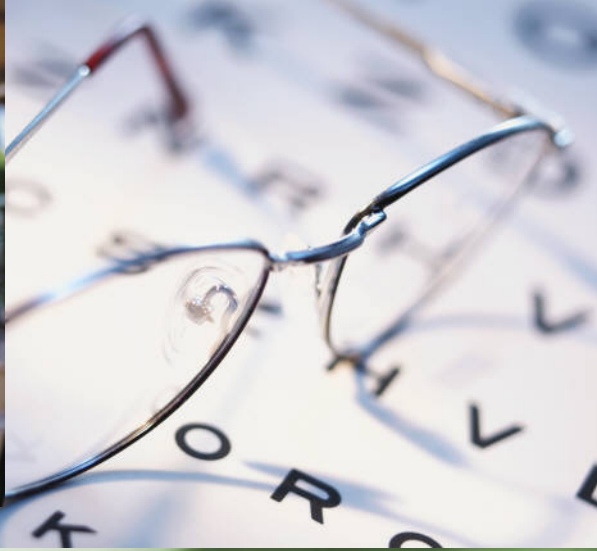


Assurance of Salvation

Do you really know you have eternal life?

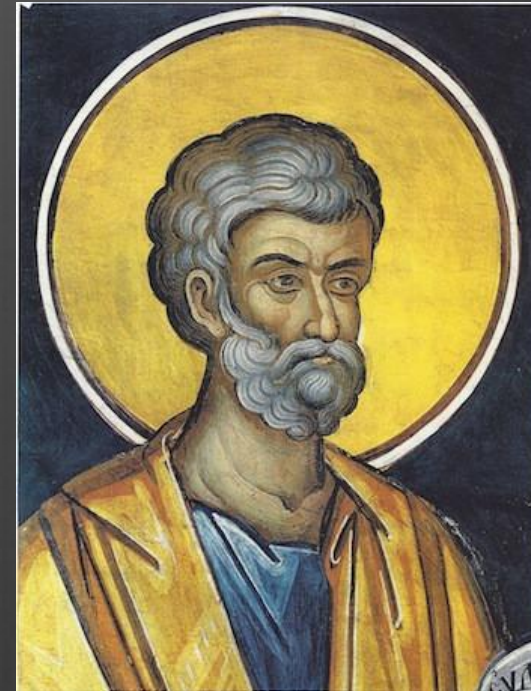


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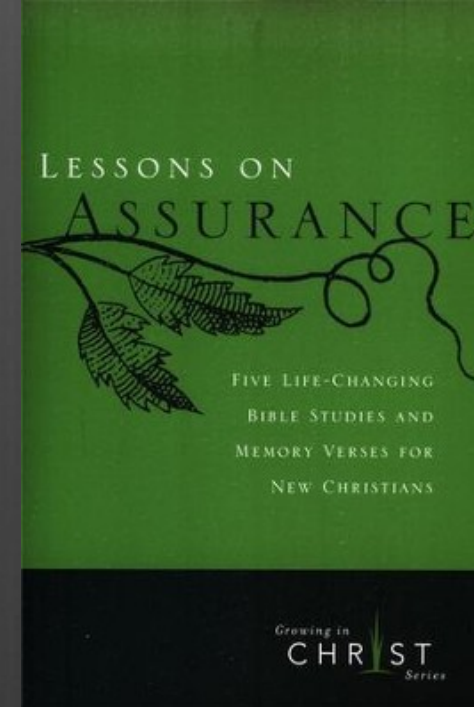
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Lessons on Assurance

1. Assurance of salvation
2. Assurance of victory
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Assurance of Salvation

What it means

- Certainty that we have eternal life, that is full, constant and true

How to get it

- Look at self
- Look at God

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When to use it

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Assurance of Salvation

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1. Assurance of salvation means having certainty that we have eternal life

1 John 5:13

¹³ I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life.

God
wants us
to be
certain

Assurance of Salvation

What it means

- Certainty that we have eternal life, that is full, constant and true

2. Our certainty must GROW to be FULL and CONSTANT because:

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Certainty
is not
automatic

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Certainty
has to be
confirmed
by us

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2. Our certainty must GROW to be FULL and CONSTANT

Example of Paul in 2 Tim 4:7-8

...From now on the crown of righteousness is laid up for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day...

Full and
constant
certainty

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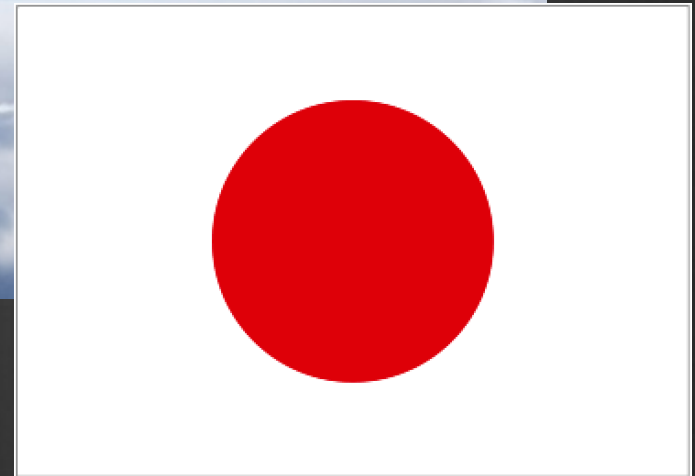
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3. Our certainty must be TRUE, we must actually have eternal life and be certain of it because:

Having
certainty
that we have
eternal life



Having
eternal life



RC Sproul



4 kinds of people in this world:

1. Saved and know they are saved
2. Saved and don't know they are saved
3. Unsaved and think they are saved
4. Unsaved and know they are not saved

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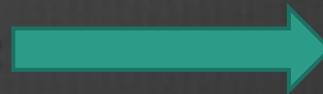
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How to get it

- Look at self - Ensure we truly believe
- Look at God - Trust in God's Word and Work

John 3:16

¹⁶ For God so loved the world that He gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life



Ensure we
truly
believe

Trust in
God's
Word and
Work

To have assurance of salvation, we must:

Look at self - Ensure we truly believe

- Examine what we believe
- Examine if our actions reflect our beliefs

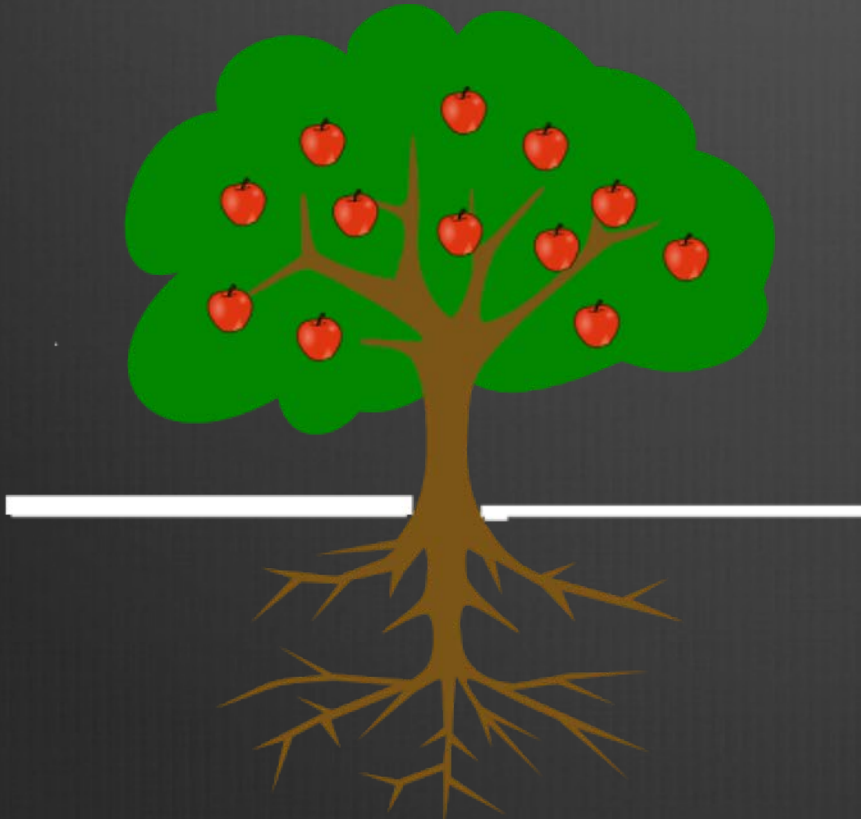
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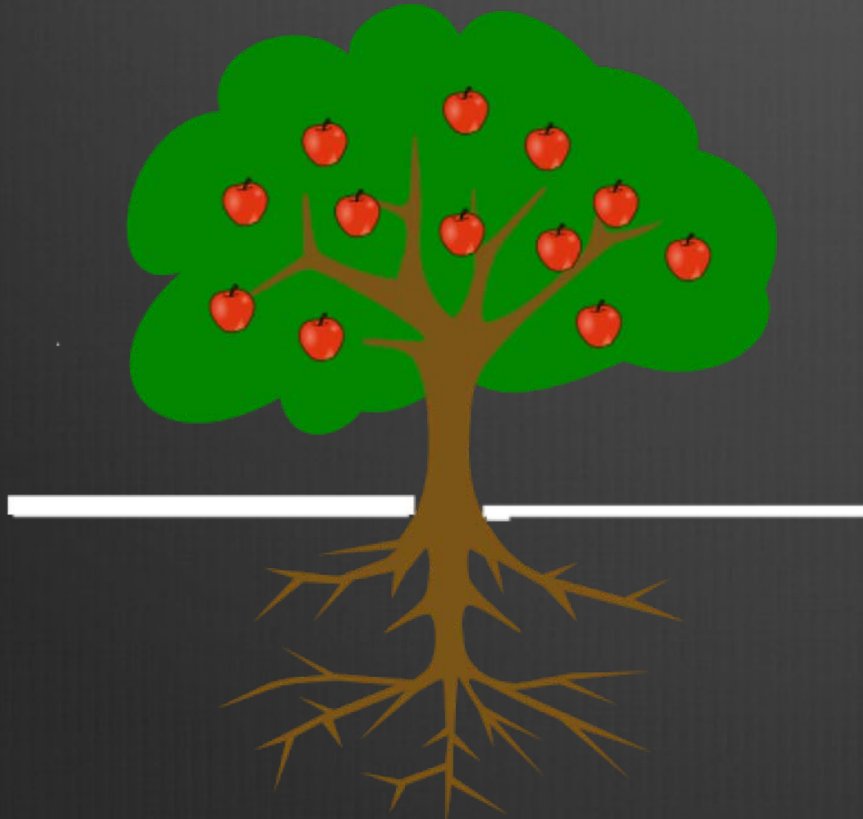
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1. Examining what we believe

John 14:6

⁶ Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

Eph 2:8-9

⁸ For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—⁹ not by works, so that no one can boast.

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1. Examining what we believe

We are NOT saved because we:

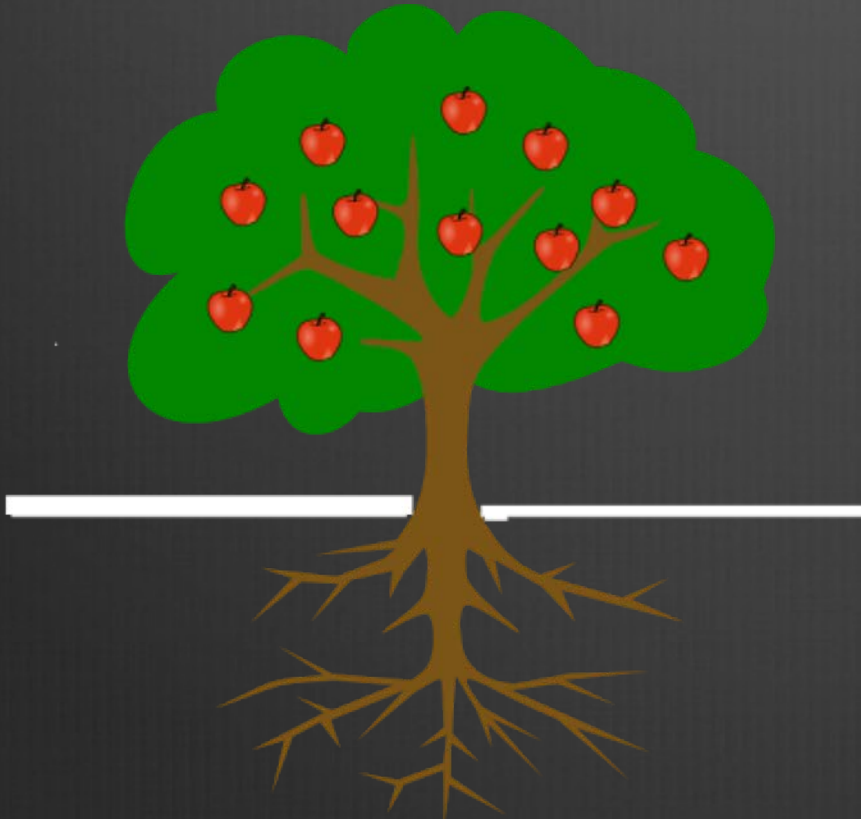
- We said a specifically worded prayer
- We were baptized as a baby
- We serve God in church

There is only
one real way to
be saved –
believing in
Jesus

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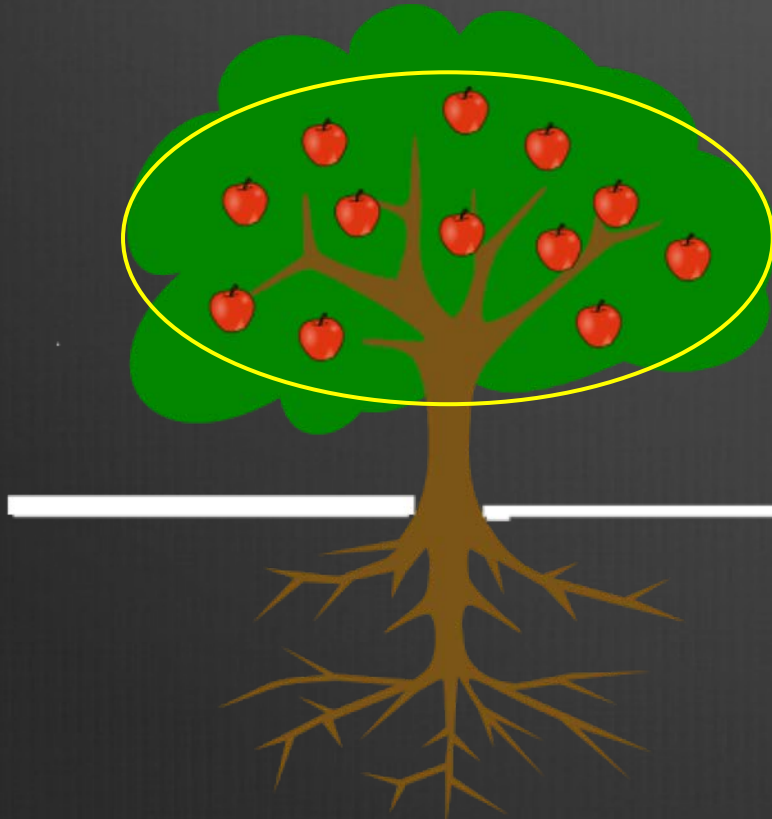


We can deceive
ourselves but
our actions
show us what
we really
believe

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Matt 7:17 & 20

⁷ Even so, every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit.

²⁰ Therefore by their fruits you will know them.

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2. Examining if our actions reflect our beliefs

1 John 2:4

Whoever says, "I know him," but does not do what he commands is a liar, and the truth is not in that person.

Obedience

Assurance of Salvation

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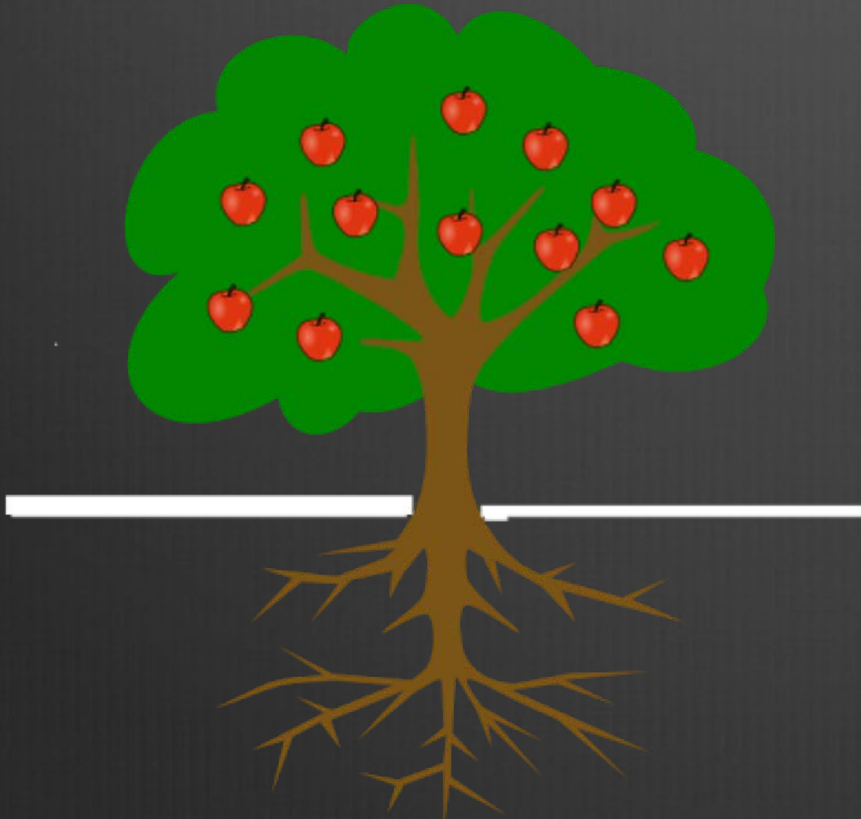
We know that we have passed from death to life, because we love each other. Anyone who does not love remains in death.

Love

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We trust God's Word
more as we increasingly
know God

We trust in God's work
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for us



Assurance
grows

Assurance of Salvation

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1. We trust God's Word more as we know God

1 John 5:9

Since we believe human testimony, surely we can believe the greater testimony that comes from God...

Num 23:19

God is not human, that he should lie, not a human being, that he should change his mind...

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Rom 8:16

The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children.

**Intimacy leads to
security**

**My own
journey**





**As a child of God, you don't have to
ask permission to be where He is**

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2. We trust in God's work more as we increasingly understand what He did for us

John 6:44

“No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws them...”

**God saved us by
Himself**

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John 10:27-29

...I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand...no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand...

**God will
keep us
saved**

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Hebrews 6:11 – 12

¹¹ And we desire that each one of you show the same diligence to the full assurance of hope until the end,

¹² that you do not become sluggish, but imitate those who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

Assurance of Salvation

What its for

- Foundation for faithfulness and fruitfulness

Not for our own
comfort

To enable us to
end well

To enable us not
to stumble

To enable us to
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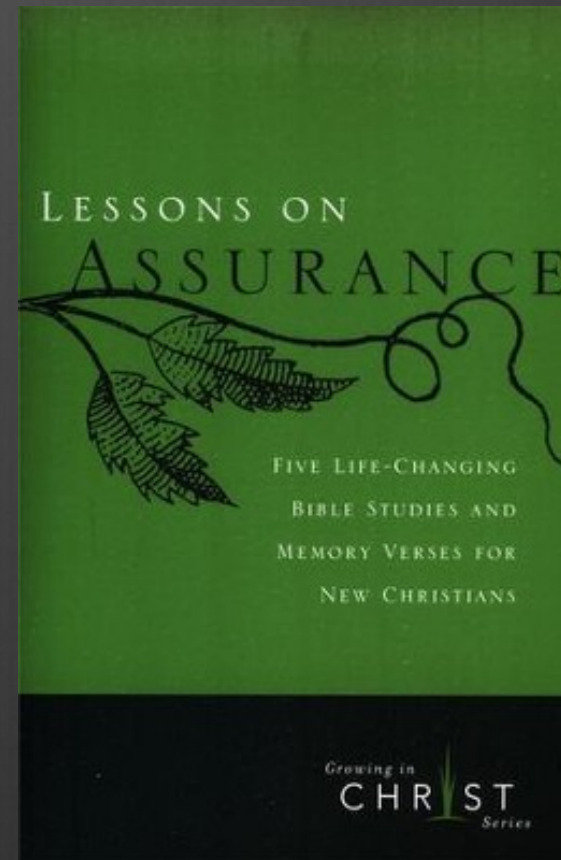
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- ⦿ Assurance of forgiveness



Assurance of Salvation

When to use it

- All the time

1. Reminder to live for eternity when life is good and comfortable

1 Peter 1:17 (NIV)

Since you call on a Father who judges each person's work impartially, live out your time as foreigners here in reverent fear.

Assurance of Salvation

When to use it

- All the time

2. Reminder to that we have hope when life is painful and harsh

Revelations 21:5

And he who was seated on the throne said, “Behold, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.”

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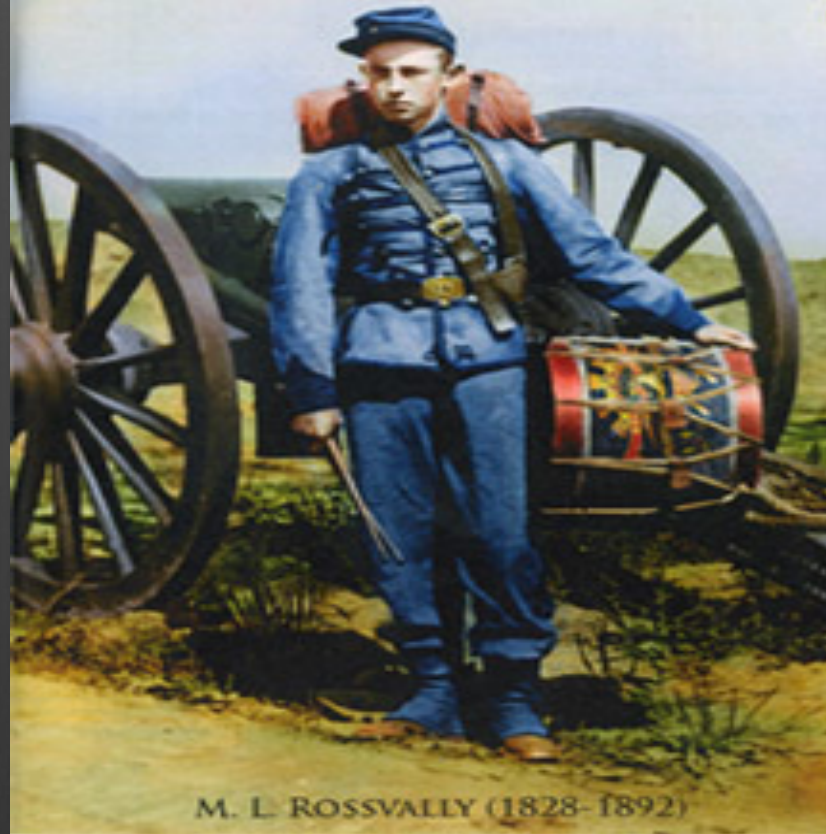
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THE DRUMMER BOY

A CHRISTIAN HERO OF THE AMERICAN WAR



M. L. ROSSVALLY (1828-1892)

Conclusion

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Let's grow our assurance of salvation
from being based

on a **REFERENCE**,

to a **RELATIONSHIP**,

to a **REALITY**