
Life Group Sermon Based Questions

"What Assurance Produces"

(Psalm 119:41-48)

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Please continue to go through the New City Catechism as we will soon be ordering these books and encouraging all members to purchase. newcitycatechism.org
You should be on Question 21.

1. Share the following from what you have been learning through your Bible readings this past week.

- Something I gave thanks for
- Something I worshipped God about
- Something I confessed or repented of
- Something I decided to obey
- Something I decided to pray about (intercession)

2. Last week's sermon was about the subject of the assurance of salvation and what assurance should produce in us. Sometimes our assurance can make us smug or un-compassionate. That is not the attitude God wants us to have. We should be humbly grateful that Christ has accomplished, once and for all, our salvation, and that the Holy Spirit now tells our spirit that we are God's children.

How do you feel about your assurance? How sure of your salvation are you? On a scale of 1 to 10 (with 10 being 'absolutely assured') what number would you give yourself?

Also, share what is the basis of your assurance? In other words, why did you give yourself the number that you did, but also, why are you so confident or not so confident in your assurance?

3. Have you gone through seasons where you've lacked assurance? What was going on? What made you unsure? Share with your group?

4. What do the verses from John 6:39, 44, 51; 1 John 5:11-3 and Rom 8:16 tell us about the reason that we can have a very strong and unshakable assurance?

5. In the sermon it was mentioned that there should be some results or outcomes from our assurance. They are: 1) great boldness, 2) a strong resolve to obey God's word, 3) great freedom in the Lord, and 4) loving and delighting in God's commands.

Explain why assurance should result in these four things. In other words, what's the connection between having assurance and these four results?

6. How do you compare yourself with these four results? What do you think is the main reason why these four things are not experienced more strongly and fully in your life?

7. Spend some time, some serious and focused time, looking at the gospel and looking at Jesus Christ. Consider, again, what He did for us. Thank Him, worship Him, praise Him.

Perhaps if someone plays an instrument, you can end with a song focusing on the death and resurrection of Christ such as, or sing along with the video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kXHxFhJA4SY>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KaQH-UjLSJ4>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uS7fc7VTJZs>