

1 John 5:13

“If you were to die now, would you be saved?”

- 62.5% said YES
- 37.5% said NOT SURE
- 0% said NO
- 4 out of 10 Christians Not Sure of their Own Salvation

Two Extreme Views

- **Once Saved, Always Saved – cannot be lost**
- **No Security – one is never safe or secure**

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- **2 Timothy 1:7**
 - Fear – “fearfulness” ASV cowardice and timidity; not used in a good sense
 - Revelation 21:8 – afraid they would lose life or property if they served God.

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- **1 John 4:18**
 - Fear – terror, dread of chastisement for disobedience
 - Power – not to work miracles but ability to overcome obstacles; Courage and resolution

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- Love – John 14:15; 1 John 4:19
 - Love is the incentive for all obedience
- Sound Mind – “discipline” (ASV); self control; moderation; Judgment and clear understanding.

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- **2 Timothy 1:12**
 - Believed – action in past that continues and endures through present time.
 - If he died at that time, he knew he would be saved.
 - Committed Soul's Salvation to God

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- **Philippians 1:20-24**
 - To live is Christ, to die is gain –
 - Can Only Say This if you KNOW where you stand with God!

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- **Romans 8:35-39**
 - Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? –
 - Love He has for us or Love we have for Him?
 - Means love we have for Him.
 - Evils without, tribulation, famine, sword ...

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- **Romans 8:35-39**
 - IF a man loves Christ as he should, none of these will destroy his love.
 - More than Conquerors!
 - I am persuaded – NO power or force can make us quit loving God.
 - IF anyone quits, they do it of their own accord.

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- **1 John 5:11-13**
 - God has given us Eternal Life in His Son
- **John 10:10**
 - Abundant Life in Christ
- **Mark 10:29-30, “in the age to come”**
- **Titus 1:2 – Promised From Eternity**

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- **We do not hope for that which we already have**
- **1 John 2:25, “promised eternal life”**
- **Those who “keep on believing” may have eternal life – 1 John 5:13**
- **Believer may Cease to Believe – forsake Him Who has life eternal**

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- **1 Timothy 5:11-12**
 - “cast off their first faith”
- **2 Timothy 2:16-17**
 - “increase to more ungodliness”

We Know We Have Eternal Life!

**What must we do to
have this
knowledge?**

1 John 1:5-10

Walk in the light – continuing walk.

Blood cleanses – depends on our walking in the light

From all sin – any kind of sin

Confess our sins – “keep on confessing”
– James 5:16

God is Faithful – Cleanse from sins – all sins we confess

1 John 2:1-2

That may not sin – to keep from participating in sin.

Advocate – to represent one in court.
Jesus pleading our cause before God’s bar of divine justice.

Righteous pleads for unrighteous

Propitiation – appease, render favorable, conciliate

1 John 1:8

We All Sin!

Cannot Willfully Practice Sin

1 John 3:9

Born of God – Children of God

Does not sin – does not keep on sinning

How can we Not Sin? Luke 8:11 –

Seed is the Word of God

1 John 1:8

Remains in him –made its home in the heart of the one begotten.

Colossians 3:16, “Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly”

Seed – Word of God – Forbids All Sin

Psalm 119:11, “that I might not sin against You!”

Does Not Mean We Cannot Sin!

1 John 1:10, “If we say we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us.”

**Can’t continue to live a life of sin –
God’s Word is in us – it prohibits all sin**

**Means you Could – but
should not – punishment!**



Romans 6:1-2

1 What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin that grace may abound?

2 Certainly not! How shall we who died to sin live any longer in it? (NKJV)

IF you were to die today ...

Would you be saved?

Should be 100% YES

2 Timothy 4:6-8

Blood of Christ Cleanses as

Long as We Walk in the Light

Romans 8:1, “walk according to the Spirit”