

The Book of 1 John Message 26

“Blessed Assurance”

1 John 5:13-15

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I. The **Substance** of Blessed Assurancea. Blessed Assurance is Learned Through **Fellowship with the Trinity**

1 John 5:1 “Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God: and every one that loveth him that begat loveth him also that is begotten of him.”

b. Blessed Assurance is Learned Through the **Confession of Sins**c. Blessed Assurance is Learned Through an **Increasingly Obedient Life**

John 8:31-32 “Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, *If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed;* ³² *And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.*”

d. Blessed Assurance is Learned Through a **Love for the Brethren**

John 13:35 “*By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.*”

e. Blessed Assurance is Learned Through a **Hate for the World System**

John 8:44-47 “*Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.* ⁴⁵ *And because I tell you the truth, ye believe me not.* ⁴⁶ *Which of you convinceth me of sin? And if I say the truth, why do ye not believe me?* ⁴⁷ *He that is of God heareth God's words: ye therefore hear them not, because ye are not of God.*”

f. Blessed Assurance is Learned Through a **Longing for Christ's Return**

Philippians 3:20-21 “For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we **look** for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ: ²¹ Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.”

1 Corinthians 16:22-24 “If any man love not the Lord Jesus Christ, let him be Anathema Maranatha. ²³ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with you. ²⁴ My love *be* with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.

g. Blessed Assurance is Learned Through a **Decreasingly Sinful Life**

Romans 6:14-18 “For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace. ¹⁵ What then? shall we sin, because we are not under the law, but under grace? God forbid. ¹⁶ Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness? ¹⁷ But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you. ¹⁸ Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness.”

h. Blessed Assurance is Learned Through **Being Hated by The World**

i. Blessed Assurance is Learned Through **Spiritual Discernment**

1 Thessalonians 5:21-23a “Prove all things; hold fast that which is good. ²² Abstain from all appearance of evil. ²³ And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly...”

j. Blessed Assurance is Learned Through the **Testimony of the Holy Spirit**

1 John 2:27 “But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him.”

k. Blessed Assurance is Learned Through **Answered Prayer**

1 John 3:22 “And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight.”

II. The **Results** of Blessed Assurance

a. Blessed Assurance Results in **Bold Petitions**

b. Blessed Assurance Results in **Bold Expectations**

c. Blessed Assurance Results in **Bold Answers**

d. Blessed Assurance Results in **Full Joy**