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- **John 3:16** For God so loved the world that He gave His only son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.
- **Acts 16:31** And they said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved, you and your household."
- **Romans 6:23** For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is Eternal Life in Christ Jesus our Lord.
- **John 1:12** Yet to all who received Him, to those who believed in His name, He gave the right to become children of God.

From what are we saved

1. Condemnation:

- **Romans 8:1** Therefore is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.
- 2. Our old self:
 - **Romans 8:29** For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the likeness of His Son so that He might be the firstborn among many brothers.
 - **Romans 6:6** For we know that our old self was crucified with Him so that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin.

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3. Darkness:

- **1 Peter 2:9-11** But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of Him who called you out of the darkness into His wonderful light. Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. Dear friends, I urge you, as aliens and strangers in the world, to abstain from sinful desires, which wage war against your soul.
- 4. Hell:
 - **John 3:16** "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.

How are we saved

- **Eph. 2:8,9** For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith - and this not of yourselves, it is the gift of God - not by works, so that no one can boast.
- **Titus 3:5-6** He saved us, not because of deeds done by us in righteousness, but in virtue of his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal in the Holy Spirit which he poured out upon us richly through Jesus Christ our Saviour

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- **Romans 3:20** Therefore no one will be declared righteous in God's sight by the works of the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of our sin
- **2 Cor. 12:9** But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness."
- **2 Peter 3:18** 18 But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and forever! Amen

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What if I don't feel saved?



- Salvation is a fact based on God's Word, not a feeling.
- **2 Timothy 1:12b** I know whom I have believed, and am convinced that He is able to guard what I have entrusted to Him until that day.
- **Romans 8:38,39** For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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Evidence of Salvation: Spiritual Evidence



1. Peace, Joy and Life:

- **John 14:27** Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.
- **1 Pet 1:8** Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy,
- **John 10:10** The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

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2. Comfort :

- **John 16:7** Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.

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3. Comfortable calling God Dad:

- **Romans 8:15,16** For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the spirit of sonship. When we cry "Abba, Father", it is the Spirit himself bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God.
- **Galatians 4:6** 6 Because you are his sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, "Abba,[a] Father."

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4. Guidance and Counsel:

- **John 15:26** When the Counsellor comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who goes out from the Father, he will testify about me.
- **John 16:13-14** But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on His own; He will speak only what He hears, and He will tell you what is yet to come. He will bring glory to me by taking what is mine and making it known to you
- **James 1:5** If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.

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How does the Spirit bear witness we are God's Children



Rom 8:16 The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children.

Galatians 5:16-18 But I say, walk by the Spirit, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh; for these are opposed to each other to prevent you from doing what you would. But if you are led by the Spirit you are not under the law.

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John 16:8 And He, when He comes, will convict the world regarding sin, and righteousness, and judgment:

Heb 12:10 They disciplined us for a little while as they thought best; but God disciplines us for our good, in order that we may share in his holiness.

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What do I do when I feel guilty?



1 John 1:9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Psalm 32:5 Then, I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord," -- and you forgave the guilt of my sin.

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Ps 51:17 My sacrifice, O God, is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart you, God, will not despise.

Romans 8:1 Therefore is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

1 John 3:10 If our hearts condemn us, we know that God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything.

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Evidence of Salvation: Moral Evidence



1. You will begin to see changes in your actions

- **1 John 2:3-6** And by this we may be sure that we know Him, if we keep His commandments. He who says, "I know Him" but disobeys His commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him, but whoever keeps his word, in him truly love for God is perfected. By this we may be sure that we are in Him: he who says he abides in Him ought to walk in the same way in which He walked.
- **Romans 8:29** For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the likeness of His Son so that He might be the firstborn among many brothers.

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2. The "fruit of the Spirit" will begin to manifest in your life

- **Galatians 5:22-23** But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such, there is no law.

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Evidence of Salvation: Social Evidence



1. We will love others

- **John 13:34-35** A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this all men shall know that you are my disciples, if you have love one for another.
- **1 John 4:20-21** If anyone says, "I love God," yet hates his brother, he is a liar. For anyone who does not love his brother, whom he has seen, cannot love God, whom he has not seen. And he has given us this command: Whoever loves God must love his brother.

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1 John 3:14-23

14 We know that we have passed from death to life, because we love each other. Anyone who does not love remains in death. 15 Anyone who hates a brother or sister is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life residing in him. 16 This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters. 17 If anyone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but has no pity on them, how can the love of God be in that person? 18 Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth. 23 And this is his command: to believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and to love one another as he commanded us.

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1 John 4:7-11 Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. 8 Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. 9 This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. 10 This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

11 Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

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2. People will see it in You

Galatians 2:20—"I am crucified with Christ, and it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me;

Galatians 2:20 "I am crucified with Christ, and it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live in faith, the faith of the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself up for me."

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Eternal Security



1. You cannot lose salvation:

- **John 10:28** I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of my hand.
- **Rom 11:29** 29 for God's gifts and his call are irrevocable.

2. You can lose salvation

- **2 Peter 2:20-21** If they have escaped the corruption of the world by knowing our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ and are again entangled in it and overcome, they are worse off at the end than they were at the beginning. It would have been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness than to have known it and then to turn their backs on the sacred command that was passed on to them.

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Hebrews 10:26-29

If we deliberately keep on sinning after we have received the knowledge of the truth, no sacrifice for sins is left, but only a fearful expectation of judgment and of raging fire that will consume the enemies of God. Anyone who rejected the law of Moses died without mercy on the testimony of two or three witnesses. How much more severely do you think a man deserves to be punished who has trampled the Son of God under foot, who has treated as an unholy thing the blood of the covenant that sanctified him, and who has insulted the Spirit of grace?

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Hebrews 6:4-6 It is impossible for those who have once been enlightened, who have tasted the goodness of the word of God and the powers of the coming age, if they fall away, to be brought back to repentance, because, to their loss, they are crucifying the Son of God all over again and subjecting Him to public disgrace.

Matthew 7:22 Many will say to me on that day, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name and in your name drive out demons and in your name perform many miracles?'

Rev_3:5 'He who overcomes will thus be clothed in white garments, and I will not erase his name from the book of life,

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Personal Application: Journaling Exercise



Father, what would you like to say to me about salvation?

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