

Established and Abounding

Established in: Assurance & New Life

- 1) Read 1 John 5:10-13. According to these verses, can a person be sure that he is right with God now or must they wait until they die to find out? If so, how can they be sure? If they cannot, why can they not be sure?
- 2) Read Matthew 7:21-23. According to these verses, some people think they are right with God now but are not.
 - a) Why do the people in these verses believe they right with God?
 - b) Why is that not a good reason for a person to believe that they are right with God?
 - c) What sign in their life shows that something was not right between them and God?
- 3) Read 1 John 3:1-3. According to these verses, we can know we are children of God and will one day be like Him, seeing Him as He truly is. How does this knowledge influence our life on this earth now?
- 4) Read 1 John 1:1-10. These verses describe the Christian life as one of fellowship.
 - a) What does fellowship mean?
 - b) Who are we to walk in fellowship with?
 - c) How are we to walk in that fellowship?
 - d) How can we repair that fellowship if it is broken?
 - e) If fellowship can be broken, does that mean a person loses their salvation and must regain it? If not, why not?

- 5) Acts 2:42 highlights four key aspects of the early church: the apostles' teaching, fellowship, the breaking of bread, and prayer. How do you participate in these four parts of church life?
- 6) According to the verses below, what activities can we also participate in when we are alone to grow in our relationship with God? How do you participate in these activities?
 - a) Matthew 6:6
 - b) Matthew 6:17-18
 - c) Psalm 1:2

Abounding with Thanks for: Assurance & New Life

- 7) We have countless reasons to be thankful to God. Give a reason to give thanks from each of the following topics that we have covered over the last 11 weeks:
 - a) The Word of God
 - b) The Person and Character of God
 - c) The Created Nature of Humankind
 - d) God's Response to Sin & Man's Eternal Destiny
 - e) The Person and Work of Jesus Christ
 - f) The New Birth
 - g) Salvation by Grace through Faith
 - h) Assurance of Salvation and the New Life
- 8) Read Revelation 7:9-12. How will the redeemed in heaven and the heavenly beings show their gratitude and how can we follow their example this week?