## BIBLE STUDY LESSON #3 FAITH &ASSURANCE

Hebrews 6:18-19 - "18He has given us both His promise and His oath, two things we can completely count on, for it is impossible for God to tell a lie. Now all those who flee to Him to save them can take new courage when they hear such assurances from God; now they can know without doubt that He will give them the salvation He has promised them. 19This certain hope of being saved is a strong and trustworthy anchor for our souls, connecting us with God Himself behind the sacred curtains of heaven."

(The Living Bible Paraphrased)

It is a comfort to know that God intends for us to be sure of our salvation. He simply wants us to have faith, trusting Him and believing He will do everything He said. In this lesson, you should learn:

- · God is faithful and keeps His promises
- · He promises us eternal life
- · We obtain His promises by faith
- We can know we have the eternal life He promises

PRAY before you start! Answer the questions briefly, in your own words.

**ASSURANCE** refers to the character of someone who has shown he is trustworthy and can be relied upon to keep his word.

**FAITHFULNESS** refers to the character of someone who has shown he is trustworthy and can be relied upon to keep his word.

<ol> <li>How is God desc</li> </ol>	cribed regarding His promise?	
Hebrews 10:23		

2. If we do not believe or have faith, what happens to God's faithfulness?  II Timothy 2:13
3. What does God promise us? I John 2:25 Titus 1:2
How do we obtain or inherit the promises of God for ourselves?     Hebrews 6:12
Faith is the key that opens the treasure chest of God's promises.
5. What pleases God? Hebrews 11:5, 6
6. Where do we get our faith? Romans 10:17
Our feelings and emotions change from day to day. On some days, we may not "feel" like God loves us. DO NOT be deceived by feelings and emotions, because the devil can use them to put doubt (opposite of faith) into our minds to try to destroy our faith. We should not put our trust in feelings. Feelings change.
7. Who or what should we trust in that never changes? I Peter 1:24, 25
While our feelings come and go, we can maintain a steady and solid faith by basing it on what God has said in His Word. Here are a few of the things God has told us.
8. When we come to Jesus, what is one thing He has promised <b>NOT</b> to do? John 6:37

9. What can separate us from the love God has for us?  Romans 8:38-39
10. When we yield to God's Spirit and let Him lead us, who does the Bible say that we are? Romans 8:14
11. We are told to love one another. What does the Bible say about those who have God's Love?  I John 3:14  I John 4:7
12. Because God (our Father) disciplines us when we go against His will, what does this tell us about our relationship to Him? Hebrews 12:6-7
13. How can we be sure that we know God? I John 2:3
14. If we have Jesus in our hearts and believe in Him, what do we have?  John 3:36  I John 5:12
15. Jesus is called the good shepherd. How do we know we are His sheep? John 10:27
16. Are you one of His sheep?
How do you know for sure?

For more about FAITH, read Hebrews 11:1-40.		
If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to share them with us.		