

Finding Security in an Insecure World 2022

Outline-Lesson One

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I. Overview of course

- a. The security that comes from our position “in Christ”
- b. The security that comes from confidence in the truthfulness of the Scriptures
- c. The security that comes from knowing God; his love and faithfulness towards us.
- d. The security that comes from knowing and understanding the promises we have as believers
- e. The security that comes from the transforming power at work in us
- f. The security that comes from knowing our future in Christ
- g. The security that comes from acting on our faith in God
- h. The security that comes from letting go and resting in the Lord

II. The promises of God in *II Pet 1:2-4

- a. Promise of grace and peace being multiplied unto us
 - (1) Conditioned on having knowledge of God and of Jesus
- b. Promise we have already been given all that pertains unto life and godliness
 - (1) Appropriated through the knowledge of God and Jesus

- c. Promise that we might be partakers of the divine nature
 - (1) Conditioned on appropriating these promises

III. The promises of God in *John 8:31-32

- a. Promise will be Jesus' disciples
 - (1) Conditioned on continuing in Jesus' word
- b. Promise of knowing the truth
 - (1) Conditioned on continuing in Jesus' word
- c. Promise truth will set us free
 - (1) Conditioned on continuing in Jesus' word
 - (2) Connection between Jesus and the Scriptures (Jo 1:1; Jo 14:6; II Tim 2:15)

IV. The promise of God in *Mat 7:24-27

- a. Promise we will survive life's storms
 - (1) Conditioned on hearing and doing what Jesus says (*Jas 1:25)
 - (2) Conditioned on building house on rock rather than sand (I Cor 10:4; Mat 16:15-18)

V. Our part in appropriating the promises of God

- a. Must study and understand what the Scriptures say
 - (1) Roll of Holy Spirit in helping us (I Cor 2:9-14; Jo 16:13; Eph 1:16-23; 3:14-21)
- b. Must believe and act on what the Scriptures say (Jas 1:25)

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Outline Lesson Two

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(1) The Bible: What it claims to be

- a. It claims to be divinely inspired (*II Tim 3:16-17; *II Pet 1:20-21)
- b. It claims to be the truth (*II Tim 2:15; Isa 55:8-9; Pro 14:12; Pro 16:25)
 - (1) Give us standard for determining whether something is true or not (Acts 17:11)
- c. God promises to “make good” on everything the Bible promises or predicts (*Num 23:19; Isa 55:11; Jer 1:12)
- d. God magnifies His Word above His name (Ps 138:2)
- e. God promises His words will never pass but endure forever (Mat 24:35; *I Pet 1:24-25)

(2) Ways the Bible substantiates the claims it makes

- a. Through fulfilled prophecy (*Isa 46:9-11; *41:21-23; Amos 3:7)
 - (1) Example of Daniel’s 70 weeks (Dan 9:24-27)
 - (2) Example of Israel’s scattering (Lk 19:41-44; Lk 21:20-24)
 - (3) Example of Israel’s re-gathering (*Eze 36:19-28; II Pet 3:9; I Tim 2:4; *Amos 9:14-15; *Eze 36:4; *Eze 34:26-27; *Eze 36:36)
 - (4) God’s promise to Israel concerning the land (Amos 9:14-15)

- b. Through the unity and agreement of the Scriptures (*II Pet 1:20-21; Lk 24:27; I Pet 1:18-21)

- c. Through the inner witness (II Tim 3:16; II Pet 1:20-21; Lk 11:9-13; Jn 14:16-17; Jn 16:13; I Cor 2:9-14; Lk 24:Lk 24:45; Eph 1:15-23: Eph 3:14-21)

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Outline Lesson Three

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- I. Ways the Bible substantiates the claims it makes (continued)
 - a. Through fulfilled prophecy (see outline lesson two)
 - b. Through the unity and agreement of the Scriptures (see outline lesson two)
 - c. Through the inner witness (*I Cor 2:9-14; Eph 1:15-23; Eph 3:14-21)
 - (1) Indwelling of the Holy Spirit in believers (Jn 14:16-17; Jn 14:15-17; *Lk 11:9-13; Lk 24:45; Ro 5:5; I Cor 3:16; Ro 8:9)
- II. God reveals Himself to us as a Father (*Ro 8:14-17)
 - a. Traits of a good parent or father
 - (1) Loves unconditionally (*Ro 5:6-8; *Ro 8:35-39; Jo 10:27-29)
 - (2) Forgives (*Lk 15:11-24; I Jo 1:9; He 8:12)
 - (3) Protects (Ps 91; Eph 6; Ps 46; Ps 4:8)
 - (4) Provides for (Gen 22:14; Phil 4:19; Eph 3:20; Jn 10:10; II Pet 1:3; Mat 6:25-33; Ps 84:11; Ps 34:9-10; Ps 23)
 - (5) Allows testing (Ps 34:19; *Jas 1:2-4; *I Cor 10:13; Ps 46:1; Heb 13:5; Ro 8:28)

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Outline Lesson Four

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I. God reveals Himself to us as a Father (Ro 8:14-17)

a. Traits of a good parent or father (Continued)

(6) Is faithful (*Heb 13:5; Josh 1:5; *Rev 19:11; Heb 10:23; Lam 3:22-23; *II Tim 2:13; I Thes 5:23-24; II Thes 3:3)

(7) Is consistent (*Heb 13:8; *Mal 3:6; Jas 1:17; *Num 23:19; *Isa 55:11; Jer 1:12; *II Cor 1:19-20; Isa 46:9-10)

(8) Is impartial (Ro 2:11; *Lk 15:20-32; *Ro 8:16-17; Ps 84:11; II Pet 1:3)

(9) Offers comfort and solace (Isa 53; *II Co 1:3-5; Ps 147:3; Ps 23:4; *Phil 4:6-7; Mat 11:28-30; I Pet 5:7)

(10) Listens (*I Pe 3:12; Ps 34:15; *Phil 4:6-7)

(11) Sets boundaries (*Mat 22:37-40; *Jo 13:34-35; Ro 5:5; I Cor 13:8)

b. Being part of the family of God (Ro 8:16-17)

(1) Security in belonging to local church (Heb 10:25)

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Outline Lesson Five

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(1) God's revelation of Himself to us in person of Jesus (*Heb 1:1-3; *Jn 14:7-9)

(2) Jesus left His place in heaven and came to earth as man to redeem us (*Phil 2:5-8; II Cor 12:1-4)

a. Demonstrated His love (*Ro 5:8)

(1) We are to love (Ro 5:5; Mat 22:37-40; *Jn 13:34-35; II Cor 5:17-20)

b. Demonstrated His humility (*Mat 23:11-12; Mat 18:2-4; *Phil 2:5-11; Lk 22:54-62; *I Pet 5:5-6)

(3) Jesus as the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us (*Jn 1:1-5; *Jn 1:14)

a. Was full of grace (Jn 1:14; Acts 15:11; *Eph 2:1-9; Rev 22:21)

(1) Through grace we are forgiven and forgive others (*Mat 5:43-45; *Lk 23:33-34; *Mat 6:9-15; Ro 12:19-21; Jas 4:7)

b. Was full of truth (Jn 1:14; *Jn 14:6; *Jn 8:31-32)

(1) Discernment (Jn 16:13; II Cor 4:4; Jn 1:1; Jn 1:14; Jn 14:6; II Tim 2:15; Num 23:19; Heb 6:17-18; *Mat 7:24-27; Jn 16:33)

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Outline- Lesson Six

Please note: The Scriptures marked with an asterisk (*) are those to which we will be turning.

- I. Some of the things Jesus came to accomplish
 - a. Came as a savior (*Lk 2:10-11) to save us from:
 - (1) The death sentence that had come because of sin
 - (2) The curse that had come upon all the earth because of sin
 - (3) The lordship of Satan that had come because of sin
 - b. Came to redeem us from the curse of the law (Gal 3:13)
 - c. Came to reconcile us to God (II Cor 5:18)
 - d. Came to restore authority that had been lost (Mat 28:18)
 - e. Came to give us abundant and eternal life (Jn 10:10; Jn 3:16)
- II. The situation
 - a. Man created and given dominion over the earth (Gen 1:26)
 - b. The fall (Gen 3:1-24)
 - (1) Results in death (Gen 2:17; Gen 2:24)
 - (2) Satan takes over as “god” of the world (II Co 4:4; Lk 4:5-8)
 - c. God’s plan to redeem us (I Pet 1:18-20)
- III. The covenant ceremony
 - a. Face off
 - b. Exchange coats (identity)
 - c. Exchange belts (weapons, protect one another)

- d. Terms declared
- e. Animal killed, split, and parties walk between pieces
- f. Exchange names
- g. Seal the covenant with scar
- h. Memorial tree
- i. Memorial meal

IV. The Abrahamic Covenant (Gen 15; Gen 17:1-14)

- a. Abraham's Part
 - (1) Leave homeland (Gen 12:1)
 - (2) Walk before God and be blameless (Gen 17:1-2)
 - (3) Believe God (Gen 15:6; Ro 4:3)
- b. God's Part (only showing parts that pertain to this course)
 - (1) Promises to make of him a great nation (Gen 12:2)
 - (2) Promises him a son named Isaac by Sarah (Gen 14:19-21)
 - (3) Promises in his seed all the nations of the world would be blessed (Gen 12:3; Gen 22:18)
 - (4) Promises covenant to be through line of Isaac through Jacob (Gen 17:19-21)
 - (5) Promises covenant to be an everlasting (Gen 17:7,13,19; Gal 3:16-17)
- c. Jesus stands in the ceremony for Abraham (Gen 15:17)
- d. God tests the covenant (Gen 22:1-19)
- e. Abraham's obedience opens way for Jesus to come to earth (Heb 11:17-19)

V. The Old Covenant (The Law)

- a. The Law given (Ex 20:1-17)
 - (1) Defined sin (Rom 3:20)
 - (2) Finds all guilty (Rom 3:19)
 - (3) Blessings of keeping (Deut 28:1-14; Deut 30:19)
 - (4) Curses and death for breaking (Deut 28:15-68; Deut 30:19)
- b. The temporary sacrificial system (Heb 9:1-10)
 - (1) Jesus and the New Covenant (Heb 9:11-10:18)

VI. Jesus and His Perfect Work

- a. Fulfilled Old Covenant (Mt 5:17)
- b. Fulfilled Abrahamic Covenant (Gen 22:18)
- c. Ushered in New Covenant (Heb 8:6; Heb 9:15; Heb 12:24)
 - (1) Entering into New Covenant (Rom 10:8-10)
 - (2) Great “Uneven Exchange” (Isaiah 53:1-5; Gal 3:13-14)
 - (3) The Holy Spirit is the seal of the covenant (II Cor 1:21-22; Eph 1:13-14; 4:30)
 - (4) Presence of Holy Spirit in believers is defining characteristic of Christians (Ro 8:9; Jn 15:8; Gal 5:22-24; Jn 13:35)

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Outline Lesson Seven

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- I. The New Covenant merging of identities
 - a. Accomplished through the indwelling of the Holy Spirit
 - b. Promise to the disciples (*Jn 14:15-21; *16:5-7; Jn 14:26)
 - c. For believers today (*Jn 17:20-26; I Cor 6:17)
 - d. Disciples receive *(Jn 20:19-22)
 - e. Believers today receive (Lk 11:13; I Cor 3:16; I Cor 6:19-20; Ro 8:9)
- II. The Holy Spirit and the spreading of the Gospel
 - a. Indwelling and the Gospel (*Jn 17:20-23)
 - b. The ministry of reconciliation (*II Cor 5:17-20)
 - c. The Great Commission (Mk 16:15-18; Mat 28:18-20)
- III. Our equipping for the spreading of the Gospel
 - a. Jesus given authority and gave to us (*Phil 2:5-11)
 - b. Paul's prayer for us to know and understand (*Eph 1:15-23; *3:14-21)
- IV. Understanding these truths and applying them
 - a. Fear has no power over us (II Tim 1:7)
 - b. The victory in Christ Jesus (Rom 8:37; I Jn 4:4; Jas 4:7)

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Outline Lesson Eight

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- (1) Overcoming the fear of physical death (*Heb 2:14-15)
 - a. Provision of eternal life through Jesus (*Jn 3:16-17)
 - b. Paul's experience with heaven (II Cor 12:2-4; *Phil 1:21-24; Eph 1:16-23)
- (2) What happens when our physical bodies die
 - a. Spirit/soul leaves body and goes to heaven (Lk 23:46; Acts 7:59; Lk 8:55)
 - b. Are accompanied by angels (Lk 16:22)
 - c. In different dimension with regard to time (II Pet 3:8)
 - d. Great cloud of witnesses (Heb 12:1)
 - e. Are in God's presence awaiting resurrection of our physical bodies (I Thes 5:23)
 - (1) Although without physical bodies, are recognizable (Lk 16:19-31)
- (3) The resurrection of our bodies
 - a. Done by the power of Holy Spirit (*Ro 8:11)
 - b. All creation waiting and longing for (*Ro 8:18-23; I Cor 15:20-26; II Cor 5:1-9)
 - c. The "rapture" of the saints (* I Thes 4:13-18; *Phil 3:20-21; I Jn 3:2)

- d. Our resurrected bodies (*I Cor 15:35-55)
- e. Our magnificent future with Jesus (*Jn 14:1-3; Ps 23:6;*Rev 21:1-7)
- f. Getting “eternal perspective” (*II Cor 4;16-17)

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Outline Lesson Nine

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I. Understanding the Times

a. The importance of understanding the times in which we are living (*I Chron 12:32)

b. Israel's regathering is a signpost for us in determining the times (Eze 36:19-28)

II. Some of the major events yet to occur (Please refer to the handouts that accompany this outline for Scriptures)

III. An additional event we need to be aware of (Ezek 38)

a. Attack on Israel led by Russia (Magog) and other nations including Persia (Iran), Ethiopia, Libya, Gomer (his descendants settled in land to far north of Israel beyond the Black Sea, name associated with Crimea), the house of Togarmah (his descendants settled in area associated with Armenia) Mentions many people with them but countries but not named.

b. Outcome pre-determined as evidence to many nations that God is indeed Lord (Eze 38:16,23)

IV. Assurance that these events will come to pass (*II Pet 3:3,4,8,9)

V. What we are to be doing

a. Being salt and light (Mat 5:13-16)

(1) Cooperating with the Holy Spirit to restrain evil (II
Thes 2:7)

b. Carrying out the great commission (Mat 28:19-20); II Cor
5:19-20)

c. Eagerly awaiting the appearing of our Lord for the Church (II
Tim 4:8)

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Outline Lesson Ten

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- I. Some of God's Promises and Provisions (see handout)
- II. Appropriating the Promises and Provisions by Faith
 - a. What faith is (*Heb 11:1,3)
 - (1) Three spiritual forces (I Cor 13:13)
 - b. Importance of knowledge (*II Pet 1:2-4)
 - c. How faith comes (*Ro 10:17; *I Cor 2:9-14)
 - d. How faith is activated (Gen 1:3,6,9,11,14,20,24,26;* II Cor 4:13; Ro 4:17; Mk 11:23; Ro 10:8-10)
 - (1) Importance of what we speak (*Pro 18:21; Mat 12:36; Jas 3:1-10)
 - e. How faith is evidenced (Jas 2:14-20)
 - f. Importance of single-mindedness (*Jas 1:5-8; *Mk 9:23-24)
 - g. Fighting the good fight of faith (I Tim 6:12; *II Tim 4:6-7)
 - (1) Controlling our thoughts (*II Cor 10:3-5; *Phil 4:8-9)

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Outline Lesson Eleven

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- I. Scriptures from last week given as a prelude to the handouts
 - a. God's complete and perfect provisions through finished work of Jesus (Phil 4:19; Ps 84:11; Jn 10:10 Eph 3:20-21)
- II. God's love for us (Jn 3:16; Ro 5:8)
 - a. God's wish for us to love Him and one another (*I Jn 4:7-8; Mat 22:37-40; Jn 13:34-35)
 - b. Paul's commitment to God (Ro 12:1; Gal 2:20)
 - c. Paul's struggle and ours (Ro 7:14-25)
- III. The way to Freedom
 - a. Jesus' desire for us to bear fruit (Jn 15:8-16)
 - b. The fruit of the Spirit (*Gal 5:22-25)
 - (1) Love (*Jn 17:26; I Cor 13:4-8; *I Jn 4:18; Gal 5:5-6)
 - (2) Joy (Neh 8:10; Lk 2:10; I Pet 1:7-9)
 - (3) Peace (*Ro 15:13; Jn 14:27)
 - (4) Longsuffering (patience) (*Heb 6:11-12)
 - (5) Gentleness (kindness) (Eph 4:32)
 - (6) Goodness (Eph 5:9)
 - (7) Faith (faithfulness) (Rev 19:11; I Thess 5:23-24; Lam 3:22-23)
 - (8) Meekness (*Phil 2:3; Mat 5:5; Ps 37:11)
 - (9) Temperance (I Cor 9:27; Ro 6:16)
 - c. The way we can bear His fruit in our lives
 - (1) The Holy Spirits work of transforming us (*II Cor 3:13-18)

(2) When the transformation will be complete (I Cor 13:12; *I Jn 3:2)

d. Effects of relinquishing control (Rom 12:1; Gal 2:20; I Cor 6:20; Zech 4:6)

IV. God's will for our lives

a. Great commission (Mat 28:19-20; Mk 16:15; I Pet 3:15)

b. To be filled with all the fullness of Him (*Eph 3:14-19; Col 2:9; Jn 3:34; Jn 7:38)