

**Series:** How to Be Sure that You're Really Saved

**Title:** "Establishing a Salvation Baseline."

**Text:** Ephesians 1:13-14

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**Ephesians 1:13-14** (NIV84) *And you also were included in Christ when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation. Having believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, <sup>14</sup> who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession—to the praise of his glory.*

## 1. The Importance of a Baseline.

- A. It's important because we're talking about matters of \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. It's important because the Bible uses many \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. It's important because there is an incredible amount of \_\_\_\_\_.

## 2. How Salvation Works.

### A. The gospel is not...

- 1) Live by the \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2) Faithful church attendance.
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_ God or Jesus.
- 4) Raised in a Christian home.
- 5) Being \_\_\_\_\_.
- 6) Caring for Others ( \_\_\_\_\_ ).
- 7) \_\_\_\_\_ of Christianity.

### B. The gospel is...

- 1) The \_\_\_\_\_ of your salvation.  
*And you also were included in Christ...*

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All scripture quotes are from the English Standard Version unless otherwise noted.

- 2) The \_\_\_\_\_ of your salvation.  
*...when you heard the word of truth...*
- 3) The \_\_\_\_\_ of your salvation.  
*...the gospel of your salvation.*
- 4) The \_\_\_\_\_ of your Salvation.  
*...having believed...*

### C. The gospel requires...

Response #1 - I \_\_\_\_\_.

Response #2 - I \_\_\_\_\_.

## 3. Did you do this?

Membership card? Or Memory?

## 4. Do you Trust God's Word? v14

Salvation is about \_\_\_\_\_ you and \_\_\_\_\_ God.

So who is your security dependent upon?

**John 10:28-30** *I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. <sup>29</sup> My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand. <sup>30</sup> I and the Father are one.*

**Romans 8:31-35** *What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? <sup>32</sup> He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? <sup>33</sup> Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. <sup>34</sup> Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. <sup>35</sup> Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword?*

**1 Corinthians 1:8-9** *(Christ) will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup> God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.*

**Philippians 1:6** *And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.*