

Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine

(Romans 8:1)

- Introduction:
1. I think there are many people who live their entire lives with doubt as to whether they are going to go to Heaven.
 2. There is a false doctrine of “eternal security”
 - a. "We take the position that a Christian's sins do not damn his soul. The way a Christian lives, what he says, his character, his conduct, or his attitude toward other people have nothing whatever to do with the salvation of its soul....all the sins he may commit from idolatry to murder will not make his soul in any more danger.... Salvation is settled once and for all when we believe....The way I live has nothing whatsoever to do with the salvation of my soul."
 3. There is also a biblical doctrine security (1 John 5:13).
 4. How can I know for sure?

I. There Is Therefore NOW No Condemnation

- A. Note the word, “Now.”
- B. We don’t have to wait till heaven to know whether we are saved or lost...that will be too later for many!
- C. We can know “NOW” that we stand uncondemned.

II. To Those Who Are IN CHRIST

- A. Those who are uncondemned are “in Christ.”
 1. Not with Christ – association with his people.
 2. Not like Christ – model his behavior.
 3. Not in agreement with Christ – same moral values.
- B. The uncondemned person is one who is in Christ.
 1. (Galatians 3:27).
 2. (Romans 6:3).

III. Who WALK Not After the Flesh, But According to the Spirit

- A. The teachings must become a way of life for us.
- B. His word must “rule” my life.
- C. Occasional exceptions to this rule no more means we have stopped walking after the Spirit than an act of kindness means a wicked man no longer walks after the flesh.
- D. (Romans 6:14).

- Conclusion:
1. So, we’ve seen what the Bible says, now we are left with the question of whether or not you are condemned or uncondemned before God.
 2. Don’t leave condemned when forgiveness is available.