## Knowing If You're Going

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- I. The 1st step to knowing if you're going is knowing that going is ALL by God's grace
- Rom 8:30 Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified.
- A. Part of knowing if you're going is knowing you don't have a part in getting there
- Rom 9:16 So then *it is* not of him that willeth, nor of him that runneth, but of God that sheweth mercy.
- B. Part of knowing if you're going is knowing that going is not by your works or faith
- 2Ti 1:8 ...the gospel according to the power of God;
- 2Ti 1:9 Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works...
- Rom 3:3-4 For what if some did not believe? shall their unbelief make the faith of God without effect? God forbid...
- 2Ti 2:13 If we believe not, yet he abideth faithful: he cannot deny himself.
- II. The 2nd step to knowing if you're going is knowing if you are born again
- A. Bible truth—If you are in one part of the plan—You must be in all the plan
- Rom 8:30 ...whom he did predestinate, them he also called (*born again*): and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified.
- B. The unborn again person is dead to & nonfunctional in the spiritual realm of things
- Eph 2:1 And you hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins;
- Joh 3:3 ... Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.
- Rom 3:11 There is none that understandeth...
- Joh 3:5 ... Except a man be born... of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

- Joh 5:40 And ye will not come to me, that ye might have life.
- Rom 3:11 ...there is none that seeketh after God.
- Joh 6:44 No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him...
- Joh 6:65 ...no man can come unto me, except it were given unto him of my Father.
- Joh 8:43 Why do ye not understand my speech? even because ye cannot hear my word.
- Joh 12:37 ...though he had done so many miracles before them, yet they believed not...
- Joh 12:39 ...they could not believe...
- Joh 10:26 But ye believe not, because ye are not of my sheep...
- Eph 1:19 And what *is* the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power,
- Eph 1:20 Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead,...
- Act 13:48 ...as many as were ordained to eternal life believed.
- 1Co 12:3 ...no man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost.
- Mat 11:27 ...no man knoweth the Son, but the Father; neither knoweth any man the Father, save the Son, and *he* to whomsoever the Son will reveal *him*.
- Mat 16:16 ... Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.
- Mat 16:17 And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed *it* unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven.

#### III. Contrast between the born again (one with the Spirit) & the unborn again (without)

- 1Co 2:9 But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.
- 1Co 2:10 But God hath revealed *them* unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God...
- 1Co 2:12 Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God...
- 1Co 2:14 ...the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are fool- ishness unto him: neither can he know *them*, because they are spiritually discerned.
- IV. You can know you are not spiritually dead—If your are spiritually alive
- A. 'You will not come...' 'No man can come...' Have you come?

- Joh 6:37 All that the Father giveth me shall come to me...
- Mat 11:28 Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.
- Rev 22:17 ...the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.

#### B. 'No man can say that Jesus is the Lord...' — Have you confessed Jesus?

- 1Jn 4:15 Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him...
- 1Jn 2:23 ...he that acknowledgeth the Son hath the Father also.
- 1Jn 4:2 Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God:
- Rom 10:9 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.
- V. The unborn again do not have the fruit of the Spirit—Do you have these traits? Gal 5:22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering...goodness, faith,

#### A. Do you have love? If so, you have already been born again

- 1Jn 4:7 ...love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God...
- 1Jn 3:14 We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren...
- B. Do you have goodness? (A 'good person'?) If so, you have already been born again
  - 1Jn 3:10 In this the children of God are manifest, and the children of the devil: whoso- ever doeth not righteousness is not of God, neither he that loveth not his brother.
  - 1Jn 2:29 ...every one that doeth righteousness is born of him.
- Eph 2:10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.
- Rom 15:14 And I myself also am persuaded of you...that ye also are full of goodness...
- Mat 7:16 Ye shall know them by their fruits...
- Mat 7:17 Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit...

#### C. Do you have faith and believe? If so, you have already been born again

- 1Jn 5:1 Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God...
- Joh 3:36 He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life...

Joh 5:24 ...He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.

#### VI. Bible truths about your eternal salvation and your belief

#### A. Eternal salvation is by grace and all of the Lord

- Eph 1:4 According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world...
- Eph 1:5 Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will,
- Eph 1:6 To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved.
- Eph 1:7 In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, **according to** the riches of his grace;
- Eph 2:4 But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us,
- Eph 2:5 Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;)

#### B. Your believing is not a factor in eternal salvation that is all by grace

- Rom 3:3-4 For what if some did not believe? shall their unbelief make the faith of God without effect? God forbid...
- 2Ti 2:13 If we believe not, *yet* he abideth faithful: he cannot deny himself.

#### C. Faith is not something you do on your own—Faith is a gift of God to you

- Gal 5:22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, goodness, faith,
- Eph 2:8 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: *it is* the gift of God:
- Heb 12:2 Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith...
- Php 1:29 For unto you it is given...to believe on him...

#### D. It took the great power of God worked in you in order for you to believe

- Eph 1:19 And what *is* the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power,
- Eph 1:20 Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead...

#### E. Those who are not "my sheep" (God's possessed children) don't believe

Joh 10:26 But ye believe not, because ye are not of my sheep...

#### F. Those who were ordained by God to have eternal life are the ones who believe

Act 13:48 ...as many as were ordained to eternal life believed.

#### G. You did not come to Jesus to get life—God first came to you and gave you life

Joh 6:44 No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him...

### H. You did not do anything to get life—God gives you eternal life as a free gift

Rom 6:23 ...the gift of God *is* eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### I. Faith is not for getting life—Faith is for living life

Rom 1:17 For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith.

#### J. Faith is not for getting life—Faith if for peace about having life

Luk 8:48 And he said unto her, Daughter, be of good comfort: thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace.

Rom 5:1 ...being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ

K. Belief is not for getting everlasting life—Belief is your evidence that you have it

Joh 3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.