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CONFIDENCE

Throughout the scriptures we see the word confident. In Philippians 1:6, “***Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ.***”

Our confidence is not in ourselves, for within ourselves is nothing but vain glory. Our confidence must be in God, who is working in us. If we are confident in anything but God in us, then we take the credit for any good thing that we do. God will not share his glory with anyone.

Many believers hear the enemy, Satan, speak to them trying to make them doubt their relationship with God. This is where 1 John 5:13 comes in. It says, “***These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God: that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.***”

John wrote that scripture. He had a close, intimate relationship with Jesus. Jesus appeared to him in prison on the Isle of Patmos and give him the Revelation of himself. I do not believe anyone knew Jesus better than John. As he wrote 1 John 5:13, John was letting us know that we can be confident in our salvation.

1 John 5:14 goes on to say, “***And this is the confidence that we have in him, that if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us.***” That confidence is based on the Word of God. If there is a promise in the word, then it is ours. God’s will is always his word. When we know his will, we can confidently ask God, knowing that he hears us and will bring it to pass. Of course, it is in God’s timing, not ours, but we can have confidence that it will happen.

Do you have confidence in your salvation, or are you constantly in a state of fear wondering if you are still saved? You must confidently understand that salvation is not based on anything that you do. It is based on what Jesus did for us. We can never be good enough to be saved, but we can confidently confess that Jesus gave us salvation as a free gift. It is ours. Now everything that we do is because of what he has done.

Be confident that the scripture promises are yours. Boldly go before the throne of grace and ask God to provide. You can be confident that he will answer and bring it to pass.