

**“FOREVER GRACE”**  
**The Extraordinary Gift of Grace #7**  
**January 10, 2021**

**Forever Grace** = God seals his people with his Holy Spirit so that they are preserved and persevere in faith until the final restoration of God’s kingdom on the earth.

**All is Grace From Beginning to End:**

- 1. The Father plans our salvation to the end.** *...being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.* Philippians 1:6
  
- 2. The Son promises to carry out our salvation to the end.** *And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, <sup>2</sup>fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.* Hebrews 12:1b-2
  
- 3. The Spirit guarantees our salvation to the end.** *Now it is God who makes both us and you stand firm in Christ. He anointed us, <sup>22</sup>set his seal of ownership on us, and put his Spirit in our hearts as a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come.* 2 Corinthians 1:22

**Assurance of your Salvation:**

- 1. Do I have a present trust in Christ for salvation?** *But now he has reconciled you by Christ’s physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation— <sup>23</sup>if you continue in your faith, established and firm, and do not move from the hope held out in the gospel.* Colossians 1:22-23
  
- 2. Is there evidence of the work of the Holy Spirit in my heart?** *The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, “Abba, Father.” <sup>16</sup>The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God’s children.* Romans 8:15-16
  
- 3. Do I see a long-term pattern of growth in my Christian life?** *Therefore, my brothers and sisters, make every effort to confirm your calling and election. For if you do these things, you will never stumble, <sup>11</sup>and you will receive a rich welcome into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.* 2 Peter 1:10-11

**THE JOURNEY DEVOTIONAL**  
**January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Week**  
**Discussion Questions from the Sermon**

1. What was something you read in the weekly Scripture readings or heard in the sermon that made an impact on you? Explain.
2. In the sermon we talked about “future grace.” In your own words, how would you describe “future grace?”
3. What would you recommend/say to someone who is struggling with the assurance of their salvation? What Bible verses would you recommend they read?
4. In the sermon we talked about how each person of the Holy Trinity work to assure our salvation. What are these? Which particularly spoke to your heart? Why?
5. Read 2 Corinthians 1:22. What has God done for us? What does each of these mean in terms of our practical faith and daily life?
6. In the sermon we talked about three biblical questions raised by scholar Wayne Grudem that help bring confidence with regard to our salvation. What are they? Which of these questions brings comfort to you? Explain.
7. How will you respond to this sermon and/or the Scripture passages?

**Weekly Bible Memory Verse:** *Now it is God who makes both us and you stand firm in Christ. He anointed us,<sup>22</sup> set his seal of ownership on us, and put his Spirit in our hearts as a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come. 2 Corinthians 1:22*

**Bible Readings:** Reading these passages of Scripture will help you become like Jesus in how you think and what you do, in addition to preparing you for next week’s sermon. Remember to read these passages slowly, allowing the Lord to speak to your heart and mind:

Monday – Luke 16:19-31

Tuesday – Matthew 19:24

Wednesday – 2 Corinthians 5:8

Thursday – Matthew 25:46

Friday – Revelation 22:11

Saturday – Romans 1:16

Sunday – John 6:63 & Hebrews 4:12