



GROWING



*But grow in grace, and in
the knowledge of our Lord
and Saviour Jesus Christ.
To him be glory both now
and for ever. Amen.*

II Peter 3:18

Gift of Eternal Life



Harvest
Baptist Church

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Sunday 10:00am
Sunday 6:00pm
Thursday 6:00pm



II. The Guarantee (I Peter 1:3,4)

Our eternal inheritance is:

A. Priceless

“according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.”

B. Protected

“to an inheritance incorruptible ”

C. Pure

“and undefiled ”

D. Permanent

“and that fadeth not away ”
“ kept by the power of God”

*Take a few moments and in the space below record how you were saved. Be sure to include the date, the time, the place and who led you to Christ.

Course Outline



Gift of Eternal Life

- Salvation by Grace
- Eternal Security
- Assurance



Relationship with God

- Baptism
- Communication
- Fellowship



Only One God

- The Triune God
- Father
- Son
- Holy Spirit



Word of God

- Old Testament
- New Testament
- Inspiration



Identification with Christ

- Our Rival
- Our Responsibility
- Our Reward



Need of the Nations

- Go
- Tell
- Train



Giving Back to God

- Church Giving
- Missions Giving
- Special Giving

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Introduction

God has offered to us a wonderful gift! He has made a way to completely erase all of the bad things in our life. Some people say that no one can know for **sure** that they will go to heaven when they die. However, the Bible declares, "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**." Think about it, God would not provide such a wonderful gift for us and not tell us exactly how to receive it. The Bible tells us, "For the wages of sin is death, but the **gift** of God is **eternal life**, through Jesus Christ our Lord." This verse of scripture teaches us two things about God's wonderful offer. First of all it is **free**, the Bible refers to it as a **gift**. Then, secondly it is **forever**, that's what the word **eternal** means. You might ask, "How could this be?" God's gift of eternal life is free, because man is incapable of earning it. The Bible teaches that everyone is a sinner. This means that there are things that God has told us to do that we haven't done, and there are things he has told us not to do that we have

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Lesson One

I. The Gift

A. Grace

1. Heaven is a free gift
2. It is not earned or deserved
Romans 6:23

B. Man

1. Is a sinner
Matthew 5:48; Romans 3:23
2. He cannot save himself
Ephesians 2:8-9

C. God

1. Is merciful; therefore does not want to punish us
Psalm 136
2. Is just; therefore must punish sin
Exodus 34:7; Ezekial 18:4

D. Jesus Christ

1. Who He is—the infinite God-man
John 1:1,14
2. What He did—He died for our sins and purchased heaven for us.
Isaiah 53:6,10,14; John 14:12
3. What He offers—heaven as a free gift.
Romans 6:23

E. Faith

1. What it is **not**—mere intellectual assent nor temporal faith
Ephesians 2:8
2. What it **is**—trusting Christ alone



Day 6

Read John 10:22-30

According to John 10:28, what does Jesus give to his sheep? eternal life

According to John 10:29, whose hands are the sheep in? the Fathers hand

Day 7

Read I Peter 1:3-9

Fill in the blanks for I Peter 1:4

To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you,

According to I Peter 1:5 what are those who have this inheritance "kept" by? the power of God

Final thought question:

If God were to ask you, "Why should I let you into My heaven?" what would you say?

done. Because of this we do not **deserve** to go to heaven. Here is the dilemma, God in His great mercy wants us to be with Him in heaven but, because He is a just God He must punish our sin. The solution to this seemingly impossible situation is the very heart of God's gift. Someone had to pay for our sins, and so Jesus left heaven and came to earth to purchase for us the gift of eternal life. Jesus is God in the flesh. He came to earth, lived a perfect life, and was crucified, in order to pay the penalty for our sin. We can receive this gift by trusting in Christ alone for salvation.

Not only does the Bible teach that heaven is a free gift, but it also teaches that once a person receives that gift, it is theirs forever! Jesus says, "And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand." Once a person is saved they are always saved. If we can do nothing to save ourselves, then we most certainly can do nothing to keep it. When God says that He gives to us eternal life, it is **permanent**, it is **eternal**. Our salvation lies completely in the hands of God. He offers it to us as a free gift. We need only to receive it, by trusting Christ alone for salvation.



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Daily Bible Readings

Memory Verse

For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- Romans 6:23

Day 1

Read I John 5: 11-21

According to I John 5:13, can a person know that they have eternal life? yes

Fill in the blanks for I John 5:12

He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.

Day 2

Read Ephesians 2:1-9

According to Ephesians 2:8-9, can a person be saved by works (doing good things)?
no

Fill in the blanks for Ephesians 2:8

For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:

Day 3

Read Exodus 20:1-18

This passage is often referred to as the ten commandments. Do you think you have kept all ten of these commandments? _____

Day 4

Read Matthew 5:21, 22, 27,28,33-37,44-48

If you said, "Yes," to the question yesterday, do you think you have kept the ten commandments, to the extent Jesus requires? _____

Fill in the blanks for Matthew 5:48

Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.

Day 5

Read Romans 5:1-21

According to Romans 5:1, how can we have peace with God? through Jesus Christ

Fill in the blanks for Romans 5:8

But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

