

Subject: Assurance of salvation

Objective: To know without a doubt your salvation is real.

Leading Questions	Motivation	My Experience	Verses/Passage
<p><i>Have you ever doubted your salvation? How do you know you have been born again? On a scale of 1-100, what are your chances of going to heaven? Is there any way you can be 100% sure?</i></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. No foundation of your witness. 2. Insecurity (James 1:6). 3. No power. 4. Doubt is destructive. 5. Satan wins. 6. Cannot help others. 7. Inhibits growth. 8. It's a basic to faith. 	<p><i>My testimony: I doubt when I look to my feelings and my faithfulness.</i></p>	<p><i>1 John 5:11-13 John 10:28-29 Romans 8:38-39</i></p>
Illustrations	How to Communicate	Bible Studies/Materials	Tapes
<p><i>Bridge Illustration Fact-Faith-Feeling Train (Engine—Coal Car—Caboose) You're more preoccupied with the wedding than with the marriage when you are concentrating on your experience and not your walk. Second verse is like the first—cannot be undone</i></p>	<p><i>Need to understand difference between fellowship and relationship. Pray again with them—drive a stake with that day's date in it to look at and know Help them see the WHO not the WHAT to believe in</i></p>	<p><i>"Lessons on Assurance" Nav Press "Survival Kit" Baptist Sunday School Board "Basic Christianity" J. Spott "Eternal Security" by Schries Stanley</i></p>	<p><i>"How Can I be Sure?" Halverson (343AB) "How to Know" Bill Bright (1606AB) "Assurance of Salvation" Tom (7146A)</i></p>
Others of Like Conviction	Problems to Face	Evaluation of the Objective	
<p><i>Jerry and Marilyn Fine BSU Staff</i></p>	<p><i>Physical fatigue (or emotional) Not really saved Willful disobedience Failure to grow Childhood experiences</i></p>	<p><i>Seven Evidences of Salvation</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Awareness of sin. 2. Hunger for God's Word—I Peter 2:2 3. Desire for Christian Life—II Cor. 5:17 4. Increase in testing—I Timothy 3:12 5. Love for others—I John 4:7-23 6. Desire to share Christ with others—Psalm 107:2 7. Social pressure from non-Christian friends. 	