

## Blessed Assurance!

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### Introduction

1. 2 Timothy 1:12;4:6-8
2. We have assurances of salvation, if we live faithfully!
3. This is not once saved always saved!
4. This song was written by Fannie Crosby
  1. born March 24,1820 – February 12,1915
  2. Wrote 8,000 hymns during her 95 years.
  3. She was blind
  4. At one time in her life she was under contract to write 3 hymns a week and while doing so also wrote songs for her friends as well.
  5. This melody was played two or three times and when asked what the music said replied with the words to this song.
5. I want us to consider what this song says to us.

### II Discussion

- A. Blessed assurance in that we have salvation from sin. Romans 6:3-6
  1. We have been baptized into Christ. Cf. Galatians 3:26-27; Colossians 2:12
  2. We have a new relationship with Him. Romans 6:16-18; 8:14-17
  3. We are now a part of His body. Colossians 1:18; I Corinthians 12:13
  4. We are new creatures. II Corinthians 5:17
  5. We have entered a whole new world!
  6. We have hope of eternal life. Romans 8:24; John 14:1-3
- B. Blessed assurance does not mean we are free from the struggles with sin. Romans 7:14-24
  1. We all struggle with temptation to sin; Paul did. Peter did.
  2. We are to be struggling with sin, by trying to do what is right! 2 Timothy 3:12
  3. We are not to be willfully sinning. Hebrews 10:26
    - a. Hebrews 10:26 is talking about a lifestyle of willful sin!
  4. We are to be struggling to do right!
- C. Blessed assurance in spite of sin. Romans 8:1
  1. We are trying to do what is right.
  2. We are trying to walk in the right way. Romans 8:1; Ephesians 5:2, 8, 15; I John 1:7
  3. We are relying on Him to keep us from falling. Jude 24; 2 Peter 1:10

### III Conclusion

1. The Lord will preserve us. Psalm 31:23
2. We must be faithful until death. Revelation 2:10
3. We can have this blessed assurance if want it, do you?
4. Believe, repent, confess and be baptized.
5. Done that but have not had that blessed assurance because you have not walked correctly the come back!

Sources: Sermon by Bryan Dunaway by the same name. One Hundred and one famous hymns by Charles Johnson.