**Doctrine of Assurance Discussion Guide**

This week we talked about the doctrine of assurance. In order to have assurance of salvation, death must be defeated once and for all. The only hope is the complete and total defeat of death. That is exactly what Jesus accomplished through the resurrection.

God wants us to have assurance of salvation. Yet, many people doubt their salvation because of sin, suffering, confusion, memory of their salvation, or failure to receive biblical instruction about salvation.

One of the results of Jesus being alive is that He is actively working in and through us to make us more like Himself and use us for His kingdom work. Being a part of that process produces assurance.

**Key Scripture: 1 John 5:11-12**

**Discussion Questions:**

* Why would a person doubt their salvation?
* How can I know that I am saved?
* Why does God want us to have assurance of salvation?
* Why should we tell other how to be reconciled with God.

**Prayer Focus:**

Spend time thanking God for providing salvation through Jesus death, burial, and resurrection. Ask God to continue to work in and through you to mold into the image of Christ and use you for His kingdom work.

**Next Steps**

1. What is one spiritual discipline you need to practice more? (Examples: Bible study, prayer, scripture memory, witnessing)
2. Commit 1 John 5:11-12 to memory.