



COLLABORATIVE DISCIPLESHIP

2 Cultivate

Assurance of Salvation

1 Connect

Summary Those who have faith in Jesus Christ can be confident and assured that they have eternal life with God.

Read 1 John 5:9–13 and ask the following questions:

- 1 What do you like about this passage?
- 2 What do you find uncomfortable or difficult to understand in this passage?
- 3 What appears to be the main idea emphasized in this passage? (Look for repeated words or ideas.)

Consider how the following passages increase our understanding of this topic:

Read Romans 5:1–11.

Why did God the Father choose to give His Son to die for us?

What has Jesus saved us from?

What is our part in salvation?

What are the benefits of being reconciled with God?

Re-read 1 John 5:11–13.

What is true of the person who has Christ?

What is true of the person who does not have Christ?

On a scale of 0-100%, how sure are you that you have eternal life?

- 4 What are the beliefs and values promoted in these passages?
- 5 What do these passages reveal about our human condition and God's response?
- 6 How are these beliefs and values similar or different from those that have influenced you? (such as your family, culture, peers, church, etc.)
- 7 How might our faith increase and our lives change as we embrace what is true and important?
- 8 In light of what we've discussed, how can we pray for each other right now?

Describe a time in your life when you felt uncertain about something important to you. How did you feel?

3 Care

How can you, or we, express Christ's love to others this week?

Here are a few ideas:

Pray God would meet their deepest needs.

Help meet a felt need they have.

Encourage them with a text, note or verbally.

Give them a thoughtful gift or buy them coffee.

Invite them to do something fun or meaningful.

Listen to their story.

Explore their thoughts on the gospel.