

Lesson 58 Answers and Comments

Giving	mystery	access
Thanks	secret	faith
Thankful	in	operation
Justified	Christ	know
Faith	new	
Peace	Creature	
God	old	
Lord	away	
Jesus	all	
Christ	new	
Thanks	new	
God	all	
Unspeakable	God	
Gift	God	
Gift	Christ	
Eternal	reconciling	
Life	know	
Jesus	him	
Christ	complete	
Rich	righteousness	
Poor	accepted	
Rich	redemption	
All	blood	
God	forgiveness	
Christ	sins	
Flesh	far	
Revelation	nigh	

Dear friend I pray that you and I might have the same desire to know Christ as Paul did. I think of that verse in II Cor. 3:18 “But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.”

As we behold Christ in all His glory revealed only to us by Paul we do indeed see the Lord. And as we see Him we are changed, conformed into His image!

Lesson 59 Confidence through Knowing

Phil. 1:6 “Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ.”

We studied last week the great work of God that has been performed in each and every believer. Our hearts were overflowing with thanksgiving as we saw God’s mighty undertaking in us through our Lord Jesus Christ.

It is sad to see many believers start out with such joy only to have it fizzle as they focus on their failures. Somehow believers begin to equate their standing and acceptance with God on their success or lack thereof in living the Christian life.

Sometimes it doesn’t take much to rattle our faith. A little guilt, fear, depression, disinterest, sin of whatever sort and we’re uneasy, unsure, questioning our standing with God.

This verse in Phil. 1:6 will replace any uncertainty with confidence. “Being _____ of this very thing...” Confident – fully assured, full belief.

God wants His people to be confident about what they place their faith in.

II Tim. 1:12 “For the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless I am _____ ashamed: for I _____ whom I have _____, and am _____ that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day.”

Rom. 8:38, 39 “For I am _____, that neither death, nor life, nor angels...shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus.”

Rom. 14:14 “I _____, and am _____ by the Lord Jesus, that there is nothing unclean of itself...”

II Cor. 5:6-8 “Therefore we are _____, _____ that, whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord. Vs. 7 (For we walk by _____, not by sight) vs. 8 We are _____, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord.”

In vs.6 of II Cor. 5 we have the key to the believers confidence. “Therefore we are always confident, _____...”

The things we know from the word of God produce confidence. Hence, the importance to know the word of God. God wants the bedrock of our faith to be His word. Rom. 10:17 “So then _____ cometh by hearing, and hearing by the _____ of _____.”

If the word of God is our foundation of truth, the truth we then know should produce confidence. A full belief, relied on, depended on, a full assurance in the heart of each of us. We can rest totally on the truth. We have it, "on the word of God."

Lesson 59 Continued

In Phil. 1:6 what truth does God want His people to be confident in? "Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath _____ a _____ in you _____ perform it until the _____ of _____."

Who has begun a good work in you? Of course we know it's God.

Col. 2:11-12 vs. 12 "Buried with him in _____, wherein also ye are _____ with him through the faith of the _____ of _____, who hath raised him from the dead."

We have been circumcised, buried and risen by the operation of God. It is God who exercised the power. God wants us to know that it is His power that accomplished everything in us!

Eph. 1:18-21, vs. 19 "And what is the exceeding _____ of his _____ to _____ who _____, according to the _____ of his _____."

Only God could take a sinner and make him a saint, a child of darkness and make him a member of the kingdom of his dear Son.

Col. 1:12, 13 "Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be _____ of the _____ of the _____ in _____: vs. 13 Who hath delivered us from the _____ of _____, and hath _____ us into the _____ of his dear _____:"

God has begun a good work in each of us!! In Eph. 2:10 we are called God's _____ created in _____."

I Cor. 3:9 "...ye are God's _____, ye are God's _____."

II Cor. 5:5 "Now he that hath _____ us for the selfsame thing is God..."

God, who hath begun this great and mighty work in us, will _____ it until the day of Jesus Christ, according to our verse in "Phil. 1:6.

God will perform it. He will accomplish it, execute it perfectly. There are no conditions upon which this promise rests.

I Cor. 1:8 "Who shall also _____ you unto the _____, that ye may be _____ in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ."

God is the one who confirms us, secures, firmly fixes, settles, establishes us. In vs. 9 of

I Cor. 1 we read “_____ is _____ by whom ye were _____ unto the _____ of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord.”

Everything rests on God’s faithfulness. Aren’t you glad!

And just how long will God perform the work which He began in us?

Lesson 59 Continued

Phil. 1:6 “...until the _____ of _____:”

I Cor. 1:8 says we are confirmed unto the _____. The end being defined as the _____ of our Lord Jesus Christ. This is a day we as believers should be _____ for in Titus 2:13. Jesus Christ is coming for us.

I Thess. 4:16, 17 “For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: vs. 17 Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them to _____ the _____ in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

Til then, be confident about the work God has done in you. He did it, He will perform it!!

