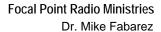
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Text: Hebrews 6:10-12
Topic: Assurance
Study: Hebrews

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## Almost a Christian

Making Absolutely Sure We Don't Miss It



Hebrews 6:10-12



To be more assured that you are a Christian		10 God is not unjust; he will not forget your work
1.	(v.10)	and the love you have shown him as you have helped his people and continue to help them.  11 We want each of you to show this same diligence to the very end, in order to make your hope sure. 12 We do not want you
To be more assured that you are a Christian  2. Always	(vv.11-12a)	to become lazy, but to imitate those who through faith and patience inherit what has been promised. (NIV)
To be more assured that you are a Christian		
3	(v.12b)	

## **Application Questions**

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's message. It is also helpful to discuss your answers with others. This can take place with friends, your family, accountability partners, or ministry groups within the church.

- 1. What are some of the insights about "salvation" and "assurance of salvation" that you have gleaned from the past four weeks of study in Hebrews 6:4-12?
- 2. Read **Matthew 7:21-23**. Having firmly established from our study of God's word that good works don't earn salvation (cf. Tit.3:5; Eph.2:8-9), how would you summarize the role that "good works" and "a changed life" play in our assurance of salvation?
- 3. How sure are you that you are a Christian? Are there ever times of uncertainty about this? Why?
- 4. **Read Philippians 2:12-13**. How would you describe the evidence in your life that affirms that God has truly invaded your life and is "working in you" to do his will?
- 5. How do you fight spiritual laziness?
- 6. Who are your Christian role models and why?

Downstairs on the patio near the basketball court you will find the "Focal Point Ministry table" which has Pastor Mike's sermons available on CD. Today's sermon will be recorded and available within 5 to 10 minutes after the service concludes. The list below references other recordings of past sermons which may help you in your follow up study of today's message.

CD # 0104 - 0107 - Expanding Your Ministry (a four part series)

CD # 0403 - 0406 - Plugged In (a four part series)

CD # 0621 - Watching Out for the Pacifying Benefits of Dating Christ

CD # 0622 - Taking a Closer Look at Spiritual Defection

CD # 0623 - Examining the Difference that Really Matters

Through the Bible in 2006

Chapters of the Bible you need to read this week!

July 23rd

Neh.12-13 & Ps.74-75

July 24th

Esth.1-2 & Ps.76-77

July 25th

Esth.3-4 & Ps.78

July 26th

Esth.5-6 & Ps.79-80

July 27th

Esth. 7-8 & Ps. 81-82

July 28th

Esth.9-10 & Ps.83-84

July 29th

Job 1-2 & Ps.85-86

July 30th

Job 3-4 & Ps.87-88

Here are some other resources which may help you understand and apply the truths presented in this week's sermon. (To view other recommendations by Pastor Mike related to this and other series please go to www.CompassBooks.org.)

Foxe, John. Foxe's Book of Martyrs. The John C. Winston Co., 1926.

Hefley, James and Marti. By Their Blood: Christian Martyrs of the 20th Century. Baker Books, 1996.

Hughes, Barbara. The Disciplines of a Godly Woman. Crossway, 2001.

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McKeehan, Toby and Mark Heimermann. Jesus Freaks: Stories of Those Who Stood for Jesus. Albury Publishing, 1999.

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Swindoll, Charles. *Improving Your Serve: The Art of Unselfish Living.* Reprint. Word, 2002.

Water, Mark, ed. The New Encyclopedia of Christian Martyrs. Baker Books, 2001.

Whitney, Donald. Spiritual Disciplines for the Christian Life. NavPress, 1991.

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Wiersbe, Warren. Living with the Giants: The Lives of Great Men of the Faith. Baker Books, 1993.

Woodbridge, John D., ed. Great Leaders of the Christian Church. Moody Press, 1988.

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