

# PHILIPPIANS Lesson 7

## Chapter 1, Verse 6: The Eternal Security of the Believer (Pt 3)

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**“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.”**

**“Being confident...”** Jesus Christ has made it His responsibility to get everyone in whom He began a good work—home to heaven. He did not leave it up to us. Otherwise, we could NOT be confident.

**Rom 5:8** Jesus Christ proved His love for us when He died on the cross to pay for our sins.

**Rom 5:9** Now that you are a child of God, how much more will He now KEEP you, so that you never need to worry about the wrath to come.

**Rom 5:10** God reconciled us when we were enemies. Now that we ARE reconciled, we shall be saved by HIS life, not our own life, —because we are trusting HIM, not ourselves.

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### EXAMPLES

#### **Fornication in the church at Corinth:**

**1 Cor 5:1** The terrible sin of fornication and adultery was being committed by some members of the church. God promised judgment for such sins (Heb 13:4).

**1 Cor 5:2-5** God rebuked this church because they knowingly allowed these sinful members to remain in the fellowship.

- Biblically, they should have publicly rebuked the sinners (Acts 13:8-10, 1 Tim 5:20) and then dismissed them and avoided them until they repented (vs 5, vs 13, 1 Tim 1:20, Mt 18:15-17, Rom 16:17, 2 Tim 3:5).
- The Corinthian church was instructed to deliver the guilty parties unto Satan for the destruction of the flesh (vs 5). Satan would be allowed to destroy them in their bodies with God’s permission.
- We learn here that there certainly is a cost for sin, but the cost is not our salvation.

#### **Depravity in the life of Lot:**

**Gen 19:1-8** Lot moved into Sodom and tried to fit in with the depraved people of that city. He’d gotten about as low as a man could go into depravity and immorality.

**2 Pet 2:6-9** Lot is called a just man and a righteous man in the bible. The bible says Abraham was justified when he believed God (Rom 4:3-5). That means at some point in Lot’s life, he must have believed God. Remember, he was with Abraham when he believed.

- If God declared Lot righteous sometime in the past, then no matter what Lot did from that point forward, he could not make God a liar.
- God delivered Lot from the destruction of Sodom, but Lot suffered judgment, not upon his soul, but upon his flesh:
  - He lost his house, his wife, his children, his reputation, and his testimony.

When your righteousness is based on the grace of God, and not of works, God’s promise is that He will continue to do a work on you until the day of Jesus Christ. We cannot nullify God’s promise.