

1 John Lesson 69 Outline

“Holy Affections”

1 John 3:19-24

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Holy affections are those indicators that are proof we are saved. The first and primary indicator is that we have a love for each other. A second would be gratitude for God’s grace.

Another element is having a very active conscience. Our conscience must be informed by the right standard, and Satan tries to neutralize our conscience, by misinforming it, silencing it, and searing it.

Sometimes my conscience condemns me. When I _____, it condemns me.

Where do you go when your conscience is accusing you? You go back to the position of gratitude for the grace of God.

God knows the worst that’s in us.

This doesn’t mean you take sin lightly. You don’t. But you avoid morbid _____-_____.

A third element here is _____ in _____.

The idea here would be to go into the presence of God and say exactly what’s on your mind.

Another religious affection that causes you to run into the presence of God and spill whatever is on your heart is

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A sinner has no passion to run into the presence of God and unload all the passions of his heart, to speak freely to God.

Another element by which we can be assured of our salvation is _____ to His _____.

This is essential.

Another religious affection is _____ in _____.

You are a Christian when you believe in Jesus Christ in all that He is, who He was, why He came, and what He did.

So, when it comes to affirming salvation, what do you look for? Holy affections. What are they? Love for other Christians. Gratitude for the omniscience and the grace of God is a love for Him. Boldness in prayer.

And holy affections toward God's commandments, in the sense that you want to obey His commandments and do whatever pleases Him. And holy affections toward Jesus Christ that you sustain faith in Him, who He was, why He came, what He did.

Scriptures Cited: Rom. 8:1, 31-39; 1 John 2:28, 4:17, 5:14; John 15:7-10; 1 Cor. 10:31; 1 John 2:22, 4:3, 15, 5:5, 13, 20