Anne Graham Lotz

ANGEL MINISTRIES

One God. One Word. One You.

SALVATION & ASSURANCE LETTER

If you have clicked on this button, I assume you want to know more about how to establish and deepen your relationship with God through faith in His Son, Jesus Christ. I pray the following will be helpful…

Genesis 1:27 says that God created you in His image, meaning you were created with a capacity to know your Creator in a personal relationship. Colossians 1:16 says you were created by Jesus Christ and for Him. Therefore, knowing Him in a personal way is the key to human fulfillment and satisfaction.

Any close relationship requires the investment of time. For instance, what kind of relationship would I have had with my husband, Danny, if I only spent one hour with him each week? And what if during that one hour, several hundred other people were also present? We would end up being just acquaintances. How can you and I expect to have a close personal relationship with God if we don't spend time with Him one-on-one? There is no substitute for time spent alone with God in prayer and Bible study if you want to develop a first-hand relationship with Him.

If you have prayed to claim Jesus as your Savior and Lord, you established a personal relationship with God that began with…

1. Confessing to Him that you've done wrong things, which we all have. "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God." (Romans 3:23).
2. Repenting of your sin, which simply means that you are willing to turn away from sin with His help. (Acts 3:19)
3. Asking God to cleanse and forgive you of your sin through the blood of Jesus Christ shed at the cross. "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." (I John 1:9)
4. Inviting Jesus to come into your life as your Savior, taking control of your life as Lord. "Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come into him and live with him, and he with Me." (Revelation 3:20)
5. Thanking Him by faith for having now done what you have asked Him to do in #3 and #4. "As many as received Jesus, to them He gave power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His name." (John 1:12) "For by grace are you saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God. Not of works, lest any-one should boast." (Ephesians 2:8-9).

Once having prayed this prayer sincerely from your heart, you now have established a personal relationship with God through faith in Jesus whether you feel you have or not, because it is not based on your feelings or emotions. Instead, your relationship is based on your faith in what He

has said in His Word. Look up the Scriptures in the above paragraphs, write your name in them, and drive the stake of your faith into them. Then, to strengthen your faith, immediately start living for Him as you develop your personal relationship with Him by following these basic steps:

1. Pray. Prayer is just talking to God. Be sure to make time each day to talk to Him about your daily activities, quickly confessing to Him when you do something wrong, asking for His help and thanking Him when He gives it.

2. Read your Bible. In prayer you are speaking to God, but through the Bible, God will speak to you personally. Therefore, make time every day to read it, even if you only read a few verses. I suggest that you begin with the gospel of John. Please visit my website, www.annegrahamlotz.org. I have many free Bible studies and videos which will help you grow in your faith.

3. Make Christian friends. As you seek to live a life pleasing to God, you will be living a life that will be very different from most people around you. It is very important that you have Christian friends with whom you can pray and read the Bible.

4. Tell others about Jesus. Ask God to give you more opportunities to tell your family and friends about Jesus.

When you invited Jesus to come into your life, He came in the Person of the Holy Spirit, according to Ephesians 1:13 and Luke 11:13. All that Jesus is, without His physical body, now lives in you, never to leave you or forsake you. Because your faith is placed in Jesus, you now have His peace as you look forward one day to living with Him in His Father's House…Heaven! He is preparing a place for you and will return to take you there! (John 14:1-3) So, don't let your heart be troubled…*You are His!*

Welcome to God's family!

Warmly,



Anne Graham Lotz