

Sermon Outline December 13-14, 2025 Pastor Bryan Myers Christ Confidence 1 John 5:13-21

Self-confidence can be beneficial
but* Self-confidence is a helpful tool,but a terrible
* If your hope is built on your ability, when you stumble, it can call your ability into question which can lead to shame, fear, and insecurity.
* Self-confidence might have value for daily life, but it's insufficient for life.
Christ confidence is
* Self-confidence in salvation is because we're all imperfect people.
* Christ-confidence is, because it rests on a perfect Savior.
Significant benefits of Christ confidence:
1. Christ confidence assures you of your
1 John 5:13 - I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life.
* Eternal life is intended to be anot a hope-so or guess-so.
* In Christ our hope isn't based on how good we are, but on how good

1 John 4:10 - This is love: not that we loved God, but that
He loved us and sent His Son as an atoning sacrifice for our
sins.

* The good news of the gospel isn't truly good news unless
you understand the had news about sin.

* Embracing grace will be a challenge if you don't recognize that religion is the of the human heart.
2. Christ confidence promises the
of your prayers. 1 John 5:15 - And if we know that He hears us—whatever we ask—we know that we have what we asked of Him.
* John is not teaching that God is obligated to fulfill every request in the exact way we imagine. Instead, he's describing the confidence believers can have when their prayers are aligned with God's will, His character, and His purposes.
* We must learn to pray with humility that expresses: "Lord, your will my will."
* Praying for any struggling believer caught in sin is appropriate. But the person who has fully rejected Christ and is actively opposing His truth may have crossed a line only God can deal with.
3. Christ confidence confirms your
John 1:12 - Yet to all who did receive Him (Jesus), to those who believed in His name, He gave the right to become children of God.
* Christ confidence allows us to face eternity with certainty, pray courageously, and battle the enemy victoriously while living as a child of God.
* Human confidence is
Christ-confidence the soul