

THE SOUCE OF CONFIDENCE

Power for Confident Living – 2

North Lake Church
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“The Lord gives me honor; He is the source of my strength”
(Isaiah 49.5 Good News)

UNRELIABLE SOURCES OF SELF-CONFIDENCE

1. APPEARANCE

“Charm can be deceptive and beauty doesn’t last”
(Proverbs 31.30 LB)

“Man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.”
(1 Samuel 17.7)

2. ACQUISITIONS

“Confidence placed in riches comes to nothing.”
(Proverbs 11.7 Good News)

3. ACHIEVEMENTS

“The Lord says wise men should not boast of their wisdom, nor strong men of their strength, nor rich men of their wealth. If anyone wants to boast, he should boast that he knows me and understands me. . .”
(Jeremiah 9.23-24)

“For what men think is of great value is worth nothing in God’s sight.”
(Luke 16.15b Good News)

THE RELIABLE SOURCES OF CONFIDENCE

1. My identity: GOD MADE ME UNIQUE

“You (God) made man inferior only to yourself; You crowned him with glory and honor.” (Psalm 9.5 Good News)

“You (God) created every part of me; you put me together in my mother’s womb.” (Psalm 139.13 Good News)

2. My value: JESUS DIED FOR ME

“God has shown us how much he loves us; it was while we were still sinners that Christ died for us.”
(Romans 5.8 Good News)

“God paid a ransom to save you. . . He paid for you with the precious life-blood of Christ.”
(1 Peter 1.18-19)

3. My purpose: GOD HAS A PLAN FOR MY LIFE

“We are God’s workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works which God prepared in advance for us to do.”
(Ephesians 2.10)

“God give us many kinds of special abilities but it is the same Holy Spirit who is the source of them all.”
(1 Corinthians 12.4 Living Bible)

“May our Lord Jesus Christ. . . inspire you with courage and confidence in every good thing you say or do.”
(2 Thessalonians 2.17 Phillips)

Other Messages in This Series **INCREASING YOUR CONFIDENCE**

Aug. 2 *“Healing Scars of Shattered Confidence”* (Psalm 147.3)
Aug. 9 *“Six Keys to Confident Living”* (Psalm 108.1)

Aug. 16 *“Replace Condemnation with Confidence”* (1 John 3)

Aug. 23 *“How to Bring Out the Best in Others”* (John 13.34)

Questions for Small Groups and Daily Devotions

See Serendipity Bible, Isaiah 49:1-7: Open, Dig, Reflect