#### A SAVED PERSON CANNOT BE LOST AGAIN

## John 1:12-13; 3:16

**Introduction:** It is sad that people don't want to believe what God says and try to add to, take away and change what He has said. Satan is a master at manipulating God's word as exampled in the Garden of Eden when he got Adam and Eve to disbelieve what God had told them. So it is with the truth that a saved person cannot ever be lost again. The Bible clearly teaches the eternal security of a person who has trusted in Jesus Christ.

#### 1. A CHRISTIAN IS A PERSON WHO HAS BEEN BORN AGAIN

- 1. John 1:12-13; 3:3, 6-7
- 2. A child simply cannot be unborn ending the relationship of that child and his/her birth parents.
  - The Bible speaks of the SECOND birth many times, but NEVER a THIRD birth.
  - To be born again is a spiritual birth from above and that is enough.
  - When a Christian becomes God's child, it is just as permanent as it was when YOU were born and became a child to your parents.
- 3. Jesus teaches that a Christian is born again, becoming a child of God and has the right to call God, "Father."
  - 2 Peter 1:4
  - Christians are God's children on the same basis as they are children to their parents, by virtue of their birth.
  - Even though children disobey and lose fellowship with their earthly parents, yet they still maintain that "kinship" through their birth.
    - Thus when Christians lose fellowship with God, their heavenly Father by disobedience, are punished, corrected, they are still God's children and are not disowned.

## 2. A CHRISTIAN HAS EVERLASTING LIFE FROM THE MOMENT OF BELIEF

- 1. John 3:16
- 2. More than 45 times the terms "eternal life, everlasting life" are used in the Bible.
- 3. John 3:36
  - Jesus says that the believer HAS everlasting life, not "will" have.
- 4. John 5:24
  - Whenever any person believes in Jesus he/she had instant everlasting life. To be able to lose something "everlasting," that something is not "everlasting."
  - God has guaranteed everlasting life to anyone who trusts His Son.
- 5. John 6:37
  - Jesus says that He will not cast out any saved person under any condition in the world even if one's sins may be black, Jesus will not cast that person out. HE said so, Himself.

#### 3. THE CHRISTIAN IS NOT NOR CAN EVER BE CONDEMNED

- 1. John 5:24
  - The believer in Jesus Christ shall never come into condemnation throughout eternity.
  - The believer has passed from death unto life

- The believer will never have to come before the court of God concerning his/her salvation for Jesus Christ has already been tried, found guilty and paid the punishment for all the sins that the believer has ever done or ever will do.
- Romans 8:34

#### 4. THE CHRISTIAN CANNOT BE REMOVED FROM THE HANDS OF JESUS CHRIST

- 1. John 10:28-29
- 2. A triple promise is made concerning the security of the believer/Christian.
  - Jesus Christ gives the believer eternal life.
  - The believer shall never perish.
  - The believer shall never be removed from the hands of Jesus Christ by any power.
- 3. If YOU are a believer, a Christian, then you have eternal life, you will never perish and you can never be removed from the hand of Jesus Christ.

#### 5. NOTHING CAN SEPARATE THE CHRISTIAN FROM THE LOVE OF GOD

- 1. 2 Timothy 1:12; Romans 8:38-39
  - The Apostle Paul was very confident about the security of his soul and was persuaded that he was secure.
- 2. Do YOU have the same kind of salvation as Paul?

## 6. GRACE, NOT WORKS SAVES THE CHRISTIAN

- 1. It sounds too good to be true and many find it hard to believe and accept for if they had their way nobody could be secure and permanently saved.
- 2. Any time a person stands on the promises of God, he/she is always on safe ground.
- 3. The basis for such a great, permanent, eternal, everlasting salvation for the believer is all in what the Lord Jesus Christ has done.
  - Salvation is of grace. Ephesians 2:9; Titus 3:5
- 4. People cannot be saved by their works nor keep being saved by their works.
  - Nobody deserved salvation when they received it and one can never deserve it as long as he/she may live.
- 5. Salvation is of GRACE and Grace is the loving mercy of God.

## 7. SIN IS NEVER CHARGED TO THE CHRISTIAN

- 1. *Romans 4 -* Abraham believed God and it was counted to him for righteousness.
- 2. Romans 5:5-8

# 8. CAN A CHRISTIAN LIVE AS HE/SHE PLEASES?

- 1. Some say that if a Christian is permanently saved, then he/she can do whatever or live however he/she wants to without losing anything.
  - Whenever a child gets out of his/her parents will, the closeness is broken and a distance is established but the relationship is still there.

- 2. So it is with the Christian.
  - Sin breaks the fellowship with God, the heavenly Father and takes away the joy of one's salvation and causes loss of reward and blessings that Christian might have had but that person is still saved.
- 3. 1 Corinthians 3:12-15
- 4. Does it matter how a Christian lives his/her life? YES, it certainly does but he/she shall never lose his/her salvation because of how he/she is living his/her life.

#### **CONCLUSION:**

- 1. Salvation is God's idea, not man's.
- 2. Salvation was worked out by God the Father, God, the Son, and God, the Holy Spirit, not by man.
- 3. The Son of God, Jesus Christ came to this earth to work out their plan of salvation for mankind.
- 4. When that plan was successfully completed, the Son of God, Jesus Christ ascended back into the heaven He had left to come down here and now intercedes for all those who believe in Him.
- 5. The ONLY thing people have to do with God's plan of salvation is to accept it, follow God's steps and receive God's gift of eternal life.
- 6. God's gift of eternal life through belief in Jesus Christ is offered to every human being and once received can never be taken back. Those who receive God's gift of eternal life have it for all eternity.
- 7. Have YOU received God's everlasting gift of eternal life?