

Here you go my friend. Hope this helps!

Blessings!

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Basic Bible Doctrines

The Security Of The Believer

1 A CHANGED LIFE!

A When Christ enters a life and brings salvation, this salvation produces a changed life.

2Cor 5:17

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!

1 This change brings an internal evidence that one has been truly saved.

2 Consider the example of the Philippian Jailer ...

Acts 16:23-33

After they had been severely flogged, they were thrown into prison, and the jailer was commanded to guard them carefully. 24 Upon receiving such orders, he put them in the inner cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. 25 About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening to them. 26 Suddenly there was such a violent earthquake that the foundations of the prison were shaken. At once all the prison doors flew open, and everybody's chains came loose. 27 The jailer woke up, and when he saw the prison doors open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself because he thought the prisoners had escaped. 28 But Paul shouted, "Don't

harm yourself! We are all here!" 29 The jailer called for lights, rushed in and fell trembling before Paul and Silas. 30 He then brought them out and asked, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" 31 They replied, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved--you and your household." 32 Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all the others in his house. 33 At that hour of the night the jailer took them and washed their wounds; then immediately he and all his family were baptized.

3 It is a fruitless endeavor for the unsaved to try and change old habits, old attitudes, or actions without being saved.

2 GOD'S WRITTEN WORD

A No one can be saved apart from a belief that the Bible is the Word of an almighty God.

John 5:24

I tell you the truth, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be condemned; he has crossed over from death to life.

1Pet 1:23

For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God.

B This perfect and holy Book was written to give us assurance that salvation is forever secure in Christ.

1 God's word is His written contract concerning salvation.

1John 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.

2 The Christian can count on the promises of Jesus when he is tempted to doubt.

John 10:28

I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of my hand.

3 THE INDWELLING SPIRIT

A When you are saved, the Holy Spirit moves in and makes His home in your life.

Rom 8:9

You, however, are controlled not by the sinful nature but by the Spirit, if the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Christ.

2 The Holy Spirit indwells every saved person.

1John 3:24; 4:13

3:24 Those who obey his commands live in him, and he in them. And this is how we know that he lives in us: We know it by the Spirit he gave us.

4:13 We know that we live in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit.

B The Holy Spirit gives evidence of salvation.

1 He convicts by His presence, which we can sense.

Rom 8:16

The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children.

2 He convicts us of the sin in our life, and continues to do so until we confess and forsake it.

John 16:7-8

But I tell you the truth: It is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Counselor will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. 8 When he comes, he will convict the world of guilt in regard to sin and righteousness and judgment

C We're to walk in the Spirit.

Gal 5:16-17

So I say, live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature. 17 For the sinful nature desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the sinful nature. They are in conflict with each other, so that you do not do what you want.

1 Walking in the Spirit is a daily dependence upon the Holy Spirit to lead & direct our lives.

2 There is an inner struggle between the old nature and the new nature.

4 DESIRE TO PLEASE GOD

A When you are saved, there's a desire to please our Heavenly Father that's as real as the desire of a child to please his father or mother.

1 There will be a willingness to follow God's Word and to do His commands.

1John 2:3-5

We know that we have come to know him if we obey his commands. 4 The man who says, "I know him," but does not do what he commands is a liar, and the truth is not in him. 5 But if anyone obeys his word, God's love is truly made complete in him.

2 The Philippian jailer had this desire to please the Lord and keep His commandments.

Acts 16:33

At that hour of the night the jailer took them and washed their wounds; then immediately he and all his family were baptized.

B When you don't have the desire to obey and to please the Lord, there's good reason for that person to have doubts about his salvation.

1 That is not to say that those who are saved always obey and always live to please the Lord, but that there should be an internal desire to do so.

John 14:15

If you love me, you will obey what I command.

1John 5:3

This is love for God: to obey his commands.

2 Those who are saved will sense this desire to live for the Lord's glory.

5 DISCIPLINE

A A sure sign of sonship is God's dealing with our persistent sinning. The "D" word!

Heb 12:5-11

And you have forgotten that word of encouragement that addresses you as sons: "My son, do not make light of the Lord's discipline, and do not lose heart when he rebukes you, 6 because the Lord disciplines those he loves, and he punishes everyone he accepts as a son." 7 Endure hardship as discipline; God is treating you as sons. For what son is not disciplined by his father? 8 If you are not disciplined (and everyone undergoes discipline), then you are illegitimate children and not true sons. 9 Moreover, we have all had human fathers who disciplined us and we respected them for it. How much more should we submit to the Father of our spirits and live! 10 Our fathers disciplined us for a little while as they thought best; but God disciplines us for our good, that we may share in his holiness. 11 No discipline seems pleasant at the time, but painful. Later on, however, it produces a harvest of righteousness and peace for those who have been trained by it.

B A lack of God's disciplining hand in the lives of those who claim to be saved, yet persist to live in sin, should

be seen as an indicator that he has most likely not been saved!

C God's discipline is for our good.

6 AFFECTION FOR GOD'S PEOPLE

A All who are saved belong to God's family. It's natural that those who belong to the same family love one another.

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1John 3:14

We know that we have passed from death to life, because we love our brothers. Anyone who does not love remains in death.

2 Notice how this love became evident in the life of the jailer at Philippi after he was converted.

Acts 16:33-34

At that hour of the night the jailer took them and washed their wounds; then immediately he and all his family were baptized. 34 The jailer brought them into his house and set a meal before them; he was filled with joy because he had come to believe in God--he and his whole family.

3 This love is to be shown rather than just spoken.

1John 3:17-18

If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him? 18 Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth.

7 COMPLETION IN CHRIST

A The Bible teaches us that we who are saved are complete in Christ.

Col 2:6-13

So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live in him, 7 rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness. 8 See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the basic principles of this world rather than on Christ. 9 For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, 10 and you have been given fullness in Christ, who is the head over every power and authority. 11 In him you were also

circumcised, in the putting off of the sinful nature, not with a circumcision done by the hands of men but with the circumcision done by Christ, 12 having been buried with him in baptism and raised with him through your faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. 13 When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your sinful nature, God made you alive with Christ.

B There are three reasons we know we are complete in Christ ...

1 Because of His ability to save.

Acts 4:12

Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved.

Heb 7:25

Therefore he is able to save completely those who come to God through him, because he always lives to intercede for them.

2 Because He is able to keep us saved.

1 John 1:9

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

3 Because of His ability to present us faultless before the Father.

Heb 12:14

Make every effort to live in peace with all men and to be holy; without holiness no one will see the Lord.

Jude 24-25

To him who is able to keep you from falling and to present you before his glorious presence without fault and with great joy-- 25 to the only God our Savior be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forevermore! Amen.

NEED MORE PROOF?

Here's 19 more reasons why a Christian cannot be lost!

1 HE HAS BEEN CHOSEN

THIS WAS BEFORE THE FOUNDATION OF THE WORLD.

EPHESIANS 1:4

WHY WOULD GOD CHOOSE ME BEFORE THE FOUNDATION OF THE WORLD IF I WERE TO BE LOST AGAIN? ISN'T GOD OMNISCIENT AND DOESN'T HE KNOW EVERYTHING? IF I COULD BE LOST AGAIN, HIS CHOICE WAS POOR!

2 GOD'S FOREKNOWLEDGE

ROMANS 8:29

IF GOD FOREKNEW THAT I GOING TO BE SAVED, WHY NOT THAT I WOULD BACKSLIDE AND BE LOST? IF HE FOREKNEW MY SALVATION, WHY NOT MY BACKSLIDING? IT IS REASONABLE TO ASK, "IF HE KNEW I WOULD BACKSLIDE, WHY WOULD HE SAVE ME IN THE FIRST PLACE?" SURELY THE LORD FOREKNEW WHAT I WOULD DO BEFORE HE SAVED ME! HIS FOREKNOWLEDGE OF MY FAILURE AFTERWARDS DID NOT STOP HIM FROM SAVING ME!

3 PREDESTINATION

A I WAS PREDESTINED TO BE SAVED

EPHESIANS 1:5

B GOD FOREKNEW I WOULD BE SAVED

ROMANS 8:29

C BECAUSE HE FOREKNEW, I WAS PREDESTINED

ROMANS 8:29-30

D BECAUSE I WAS PREDESTINED, I WAS CALLED -

ROMANS 8:30

E BECAUSE I WAS CALLED, I WAS JUSTIFIED

ROMANS 8:30

F BECAUSE I WAS JUSTIFIED, I WAS GLORIFIED

ROMANS 8:30

G THIS IS ALL ACCORDING TO HIS FOREKNOWLEDGE. IF A CHRISTIAN CAN BE LOST AGAIN, THEN GOD'S FOREKNOWLEDGE IS NO GOOD, FOR HIS WORD SAYS THAT GOD'S FOREKNOWLEDGE SAW THE CHRISTIAN EVEN GLORIFIED!

4 BORN AGAIN

A A CHRISTIAN HAS BEEN "BORN FROM ABOVE"

JOHN 3:5,6

B HE HAS BEEN "BORN OF GOD"

1 JOHN 5:1.

C IF A CHRISTIAN IS BORN, CAN HE BE UNBORN? IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO BE LOST IF WE ARE

BORN FROM ABOVE!

5 ETERNAL LIFE - A PRESENT POSSESSION!

A EVERY CHRISTIAN IS GIVEN ETERNAL LIFE BY CHRIST

JOHN 10:28

B HE NOW HAS THIS LIFE

1 JOHN 5:13

C THIS LIFE IS NOT FOR 10, 20, OR 30 YEARS. IT IS NOT FOR AS LONG AS WE HOLD OUT,
BUT FOREVER

JOHN 6:47

JOHN 5:24

JOHN 3:36

1 JOHN 5:12,13

D YOU CANNOT BE LOST IF YOU HAVE ETERNAL LIFE!

6 A NEW NATURE

A EVERY CHRISTIAN POSSESSES A NEW NATURE

1 PETER 1:4

B IF A CHRISTIAN COULD BE LOST WITH SUCH A NATURE, THIS WOULD BRING GOD
DOWN TO A HUMAN LEVEL, AND GOD'S NATURE WOULD BE LOST!

7 THE TEMPLE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

A EVERY CHRISTIAN IS THE TEMPLE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

1 CORINTHIANS 6:19

B WE'RE SEALED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT UNTIL THE DAY OF REDEMPTION

EPHESIANS 4:30

C HE IS NOT SEALED UNTIL HE BACKSLIDES, BUT FOREVER! THE HOLY SPIRIT ABIDES
IN

THE CHRISTIAN FOREVER -

JOHN 14:16

D IF A CHRISTIAN CAN BE LOST AGAIN, THE HOLY SPIRIT IS LOST ALSO, BECAUSE HE
ABIDES IN THE CHRISTIAN FOREVER

JOHN 14:16

E THIS CLEARLY TEACHES US THAT THE HOLY SPIRIT WILL CLEARLY NEVER LEAVE
THE
CHRISTIAN. IT IS IN PLACE TO ASK, "COULD THE TEMPLE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT GO
TO
HELL?"

8 EVERY CHRISTIAN IS NOW IN HEAVEN

A GOD HAS RAISED US "WITH CHRIST". WHEN CHRIST WAS RAISED FROM THE
GRAVE,

WE WERE ALSO RAISED. OUR POSITION AS CHRISTIANS IS SEALED TOGETHER
WITH
HIM IN THE HEAVENLIES

EPHESIANS 2:5,6

B WE ARE NOW, AS FAR AS GOD IS CONCERNED, IN HEAVEN! IF A CHRISTIAN CAN BE
LOST AGAIN, THEN HE MUST BE PUT OUT OF HEAVEN SINCE HE NOW OCCUPIES
THAT
PLACE

COLOSSIANS 3:3

9 PART OF CHRIST'S BODY

A AS CHRISTIANS, WE ARE MEMBERS OF CHRIST'S BODY

EPHESIANS 5:30

B IF A CHRISTIAN CAN BE LOST AGAIN, THEN CHRIST IS LOST WITH HIM SINCE HE
MADE THE CHRISTIAN PART OF HIS BODY. IF HE CAN BE LOST AGAIN, THE
BODY WILL NOT BE COMPLETE. AND IF THIS IS TRUE, THE PLAN AND WORK OF

CHRIST IS LOST AND USELESS!

C THE BIBLE SPEAKS OF CHRIST'S BODY BEING WITHOUT SPOT OR WRINKLE

EPHESIANS 5:25-27

10 COMPLETE IN CHRIST

A EVERY CHRISTIAN IS NOW COMPLETE IN CHRIST

COLOSSIANS 2:10

B CAN A COMPLETE WORK OF CHRIST BE LOST AGAIN? IF IT CAN BE LOST, WAS IT COMPLETE IN THE FIRST PLACE? HOW CAN A CHRISTIAN BE COMPLETE AND LOST AGAIN? WOULDN'T THE COMPLETE WORK OF CHRIST GO TO HELL?

11 SAVED BY GRACE

A FOR IT'S BY GRACE THAT YOU ARE SAVED

EPH 2:8,9

ACTS 15:11

B IF A MAN IS SAVED BY GRACE, AND GRACE IS UNMERITED FAVOR AND WHOLLY UNDESERVED, HOW CAN HE BE LOST?

C IF HE CAN BE LOST THROUGH SOME SIN OR BY NOT HOLDING OUT, WAS HE REALLY SAVED BY GRACE? IF OUR REACHING HEAVEN DEPENDS ON OUR GOOD WORK, THEN OUR SALVATION WOULD NOT BE BY GRACE!

12 HE WILL NOT BE CAST OUT AGAIN

THE CHRISTIAN IS THE FATHER'S LOVE GIFT TO THE SON, AND CHRIST DOESN'T DISCARD SOMETHING THE FATHER GIVES HIM

JOHN 6:37

13 INCORRUPTIBLE SEED

A WE ARE BORN OF INCORRUPTIBLE SEED

1 PETER 1:23

B SINCE THE CHRISTIAN HAS BEEN BORN ON INCORRUPTIBLE SEED, CAN IT BE CORRUPT? IT IS IMPOSSIBLE. HOW CAN THAT WHICH IS INCORRUPTIBLE EVER CORRUPT?

14 NO CONDEMNATION

A THE CHILD OF GOD WILL NEVER COME TO CONDEMNATION OR JUDGMENT

ROMANS 8:1

B SINCE HIS SINS WERE JUDGED AT THE CROSS, WE ARE ASSURED THAT THE BELIEVER IS FREED FROM CONDEMNATION

JOHN 3:18

JOHN 5:24

C CHRIST BORE THE PUNISHMENT FOR OUR SINS. GOD CANNOT POUR HIS PUNISHMENT OR JUDGMENT UPON THE BELIEVER IF CHRIST BORE THE PENALTY OF ALL OUR SINS.

15 CHRIST WILL FINISH THE WORK HE STARTED

CHRIST GIVES US CONFIDENCE IN HIS COMPLETION

PHILIPPIANS 1:6

16 HE IS ABLE TO KEEP

A HE KEEPS US UNTIL THE END

2 TIMOTHY 1:12

B HE IS ABLE TO KEEP US FROM FALLING

JUDE 24

C WE ARE NOT EXPECTED TO KEEP OURSELVES BECAUSE GOD KNOWS THAT WE CAN'T! NOT ONLY DOES HE KEEP ME, BUT HE ALSO KEEPS THAT WHICH I HAVE COMMITTED TO HIM!

17 PRESERVED FOREVER

ALL CHRISTIANS ARE PRESERVED FOREVER IN CHRIST

JUDE 1

PSALM 31:23

18 SALVATION IS A GIFT

A THE FREE GIFT OF GOD IS ETERNAL LIFE THROUGH JESUS

ROM 6:23

B DO WE EARN A GIFT? IF SO, IT IS NOT A GIFT!

C WE DON'T MERIT SALVATION, WE RECEIVE IT

JOHN 1:12

1 JOHN 5:12

D IF WE DO NOT MERIT RECEIVING SALVATION, IS IT POSSIBLE TO DO ANYTHING TO LOSE IT?

19 CHRIST'S WORK FOR ME

A HE MADE PEACE FOR ME FOREVER -

COLOSSIANS 1:20

EPHESIANS 2:15

B HE BORE MY SINS PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE

1 PETER 2:24

C IF CHRIST BORE MY SINS PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE, ARE THERE ANY LEFT FOR ME

TO BEAR?