

Thursday Evening Bible Study

Series: Eternal Security

Discussion Guide

Week 5

Definitions

Eternal Security: the fact that once a person believes in Christ as their savior, they are saved forever and can never lose that salvation. (John 5:24; 20:31) Eternal security is the work of God which guarantees that God's gift of salvation, once given, is possessed forever and can never be lost.

Assurance: the believer knows for certain that he or she is saved forever. (1 John 5:13)

Salvation – scriptures

Eternal security is defined in terms of salvation. What is Salvation?

Let's study the following scripture passages and answer the questions below:

Mat 1:21; Luk 1:77; John 1:12; John 3:14-16, 18; Joh 3:36; Joh 5:24;

Rom 3:21-26; Rom 4:3; Rom 5:8-11; Rom 6:22-23;

Gal 2:16; 3:13-14, 20: 4:4-7; Eph 1:7-14; Eph 2:1-10;

Col 2:13-14; 1Ti 1:15-16; 2Ti 1:8-11; Heb 10:11-14.

What are we saved from?

Our sins, Mat 1:21; Rom 3:23 ; Rom 6:22; Eph 1:7

Judgment/condemnation, Joh 3:18; 5:24;

Death (2nd) /perishing, Joh 3:16; 5:24; Rom 6:23

Wrath of God, Joh 3:36; Rom 5:9

Curse of, bondage under the Law, Gal 3:13-14; 4:5-7

What are we given freely by God in our so-great salvation?

Forgiveness of our sins, Luk 1:77;

*The power to become **children of God/ adopted as sons***, Joh 1:12; Gal 4:5

*Made **heirs** & given an inheritance*, Gal 3:14; 4:7

Eternal life, Joh 3:15-16; 3:36; 5:24; Rom 6:23

Righteousness of God (faith credited as), Rom 3:22; 4:3-5

Justification (declared righteous by God), Rom 3:24,26; Gal 2:16

Redemption, Rom 3:24; Gal 3:13-14; Eph 1:7

Propitiation (God's righteousness is completely satisfied by the blood of Christ as the one perfect sacrifice for sins) Rom 3:25

Reconciliation, Rom 5:8-11

Sanctification, Rom 6:22

Holy Spirit, Gal 3:14; 4:6

Position in Christ, Eph 1:7-13

What do we contribute to our salvation?

How are we saved?

Discussion

Which of these things (things God has freely given us) can we lose? Four key ones: forgiveness, eternal life, justification, and position in Christ.

What scriptures say that a believer can lose any of these things?

Example: Is there a passage that tells a **believer** that he can **lose eternal life**?