Thursday Evening Bible Study Series: Eternal Security Discussion Guide

### <u>Week 7</u>

### Follow-up: the book of life

## **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 ; 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 (2<sup>nd</sup>) /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 Our certificate of debt - our IOU, Col 2:13-14 Our birth in Adam, children of wrath by nature, Eph 2:1-3; Col 2:13

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

Forgiveness of our sins, Luk 1:77; Eph 1:7. Col 2:13 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; Eph 1:11 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 The indwelling Holy Spirit, Gal 3:14; 4:6 Position in Christ, Eph 1:7-13 The mystery of God's will made known to us, Eph 1:9 Sealed in Christ with the Holy Spirit as a guarantee of our inheritance, Eph 1:13 **Predestined** to be to the praise of God's glory, Eph 1:11-12 Made God's own possession, Eph 1:14 The surpassing riches of His grace, Eph 1:7; Eph 2:7 The surpassing greatness of His power, Eph 1:19. **Risen and Seated with God** in the heavenly places in Christ, Eph 2:6 Salvation by grace through faith. Eph 2:8 Created in Christ as God's workmanship, Eph 2:10 A high calling according to God's purpose and grace, 2Ti 1:9, Rom 8:28

Use these scriptures to answer the two questions below:

Joh 3:16; Act 16:31; Rom 3:19-26; Rom 5:6-10; 17-19; Rom 8:29-30; Eph 1:7, 13-14; Eph 2:1-9; Gal 3:7-14; Col 1:21-23; 2:13-14; Heb 7:23-27; 9:23-26;10:11-14; 1Pe 2:24; 3:18

What did we contribute to our salvation?

How are we saved?

Handout: A few words about grace

# Discussion

Which of these things (things God has freely given us) can we lose? Forgiveness of all our sins? eternal life? Justification? our position in Christ? God's beloved child?

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?

Handout: concordance for "eternal life"