

## Thursday Evening Bible Study

### Series: Eternal Security

#### Discussion Guide

### Week 8

## 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; Joh 5:24; Act 16:31; Rom 3:19-26;423-25; 5:6-10; 17-19; Rom 8:29-30; Gal 3:7-14; Eph 1:3-7, 13-14; Eph 2:1-9; Col 1:21-23; 2:13-14; Heb 7:23-27; 9:23-26;10:11-14; 1Pe 2:21-25; 3:18*

**What did we contribute to our salvation?**

Nothing.

We were helpless and ungodly when God saved us. (Rom 5:6)

We were dead in our trespasses and sins when God saved us. (Eph 2:1,5; Col 2:13)

We were God's enemies when He saved us. (Rom 5:10)

We were children of wrath, walking according to the prince of the power of the air. (Eph 2:2-3)

We were alienated and hostile in mind. (Col 1:21)

So God contributed everything to our salvation. It's his exclusive, perfect, and complete work. He gave it to us as His gift by His grace.

**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? Being 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"*

**What could you or I do that would cause us to lose your salvation? Think about how other Christians might answer this question.**

**Can salvation once provided be taken away?**

**If so, by whom? Another human being? A demon? An angel? Satan? God?**

**If God took back our salvation, what would that say about Him?**