

THE ETERNAL SECURITY OF THE BELIEVER

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“Eternal Security of the Believer,” “Final Perseverance of the Saints,” and “Salvation by Grace,” are but different methods of expressing the same doctrine. However, because of a general misunderstanding on the part of many concerning the doctrine, it is thought best, before giving the reasons why we believe in Eternal Security, to state some things that are not connected with the doctrine.

THINGS NOT CONNECTED WITH THE DOCTRINE

1. That all church members are saved.

We recognize that there are many church members today who have never been born again. Only those who have definitely trusted or believed on the Lord Jesus Christ are saved.

Hebrews 3:14: “For we are made partakers of Christ, if we hold the beginning of our confidence steadfast unto the end.”

1 John 2:19: “They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would no doubt have continued with us: but they went out, that they might be made manifest that they were not all of us.”

2. That all who are engaged in church work are saved.

There were false apostles, deceitful workers even in New Testament times, and today there are many religious workers that are not saved, and therefore not secure.

Matthew 7:22,23: “Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.”

1 John 4:1: “Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world.”

2 John 7:11: “For many deceivers are entered into the world, who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an anti-christ. Look to yourselves, that we lose not those things which we have wrought, but that we receive a full reward. Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son. If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed: For he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds.”

2 Peter 2:1-3: “But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction. And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of. And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you: whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not.”

2 Timothy 3:13: “But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived.”

II Timothy 4:3: "For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears."

I Timothy 4:1-2: "Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron."

3. That saints should not be tempted.

Even the Lord Jesus Christ was tempted.

Matthew 4:1: "Then was Jesus led up of the spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil."

Hebrews 4:15: "For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin."

II Peter 2:9: "The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished."

Hebrews 2:18: "For in that he himself hath suffered being tempted, he is able to succour them that are tempted."

I Corinthians 10:13: "There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it."

4. That saints may not fall.

Saints can and do fail many times, but they cannot so fall as to be eternally lost. That saints can fall is taught in several passages.

Micah 7:8: "Rejoice not against me, O mine enemy: when I fall, I shall arise; when I sit in darkness, the Lord shall be a light unto me."

Proverbs 24:16: "For a just man falleth seven times, and riseth up again: but the wicked shall fall into mischief."

Psalms 37:24,25: "Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down: for the Lord upholdeth him with his hand. I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread."

Psalms 118:13,14: "Thou hast thrust sore at me that I might fall: but the Lord helped me. The Lord is my strength and song, and is become my salvation."

Psalms 145:10 14: "All thy works shall praise thee, O Lord; and thy saints shall bless thee, They shall speak of the glory of thy kingdom, and talk of thy power; to make known to the sons of men his mighty acts, and the glorious majesty of his kingdom. Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and thy dominion endureth throughout all generations. The Lord upholdeth all that fall, and raiseth up all those that be bowed down."

5. That saints persevere alone.

Just as no believer can save himself, so no believer can keep himself. Our enabling is of God. The keeping power is not self but God.

Psalms 37:39,40: "But the salvation of the righteous is of the Lord: he is their strength in the time of trouble. And the Lord shall help them, and deliver them: he shall deliver them from the wicked, and save them, because they trust in him."

Psalms 40:17: "But I am poor and needy; yet the Lord thinketh upon me: thou art my help and my deliverer; make no tarrying, O my God."

Romans 8:31: "What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?"

Romans 8:37: "Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us."

II Timothy 1:12: "For the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless I am not ashamed: for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day."

Psalms 37:28: "For the Lord loveth judgment, and forsaketh not his saints; they are preserved for ever: but the seed of the wicked shall be cut off."

Jude 24: "Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy."

I Peter 1:5: "Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time."

100 REASONS AND 100 SCRIPTURES

1. The believer has eternal life.

John 10:28: "And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand."

2. The believer has everlasting life.

John 5:24: "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life."

3. The believer cannot perish.

John 3:16: "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

4. The believer is kept by the power of God.

1 Peter 1:5: "Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time."

5. The believer is born of God.

John 1:12,13: "But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God."

6. The believer has been passed front death unto life.

John 5:24: "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life."

7. The man who believes shall be saved.

Acts 16:31: "And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house."

8. The believer has been saved.

Ephesians 2:8,9: "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast."

9. The believer is hid by God in Christ.

Colossians 3:3: "For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God." Can the devil find that which God hides?

10. The believer will follow Christ.

John 10:27: "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me." Following Christ can one be lost? Have we any right to add to God's word by inserting "if" to the passage?

11. The believer is God's sheep.

John 10:2-4: "But he that entereth in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. To him the porter openeth; and the sheep hear his voice: and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out. And when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him: for they know his voice."

12. The believer will not follow a stranger.

John 10:5: "And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him: for they know not the voice of strangers." If the sheep follow Christ and will NOT follow a stranger, how can they become lost?

13. The believer will not listen to the voice of a stranger.

John 10:5: "And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him: for they know not the voice of strangers."

14. The believer will flee from a stranger.

John 10:5: "And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him: for they know not the voice of strangers." Who is the STRANGER in this passage? Is the STRANGER not SATAN?

15. The believer is known of God.

John 10:14: "I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine." Compare "I never knew you" of Matthew 7:23 spoken to the lost. "And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity." To the believer Christ says, "I know my sheep"; to the lost, "I never knew you."

16. The believer listens to the voice of the shepherd.

John 10:27: "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me."

17. The believer is in Christ's hand.

John 10:28: "And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand."

18. The believer cannot be plucked out of Christ's hand.

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19. The believer is in the Father's hand.

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John 10:29: "My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand." The reference here is certainly to the keeping power of the Father.

22. The shepherd is charged with the responsibility of the sheep.

John 10:11-14: "I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep. But he that is an hireling, and not the shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, seeth the wolf coming, and leaveth the sheep, and fleeth: and the wolf catcheth them, and scattereth the sheep. The hireling fleeth, because he is an hireling, and careth not for the sheep. I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine."

Some argue that no one can separate the believer (the sheep) from the shepherd, but that the sheep can wander away. What about the wandering lamb of Matthew 18:10-14, "Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones; for I say unto you, That in heaven their angels do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven. For the Son of Man is come to save that which was lost. How think ye? If a man have an hundred sheep, and one of them be gone astray, doth he not leave the ninety and nine, and goeth into the mountains, and seeketh that which is gone astray? And if so be that he find it, verily I say unto you, he rejoiceth more of that sheep, than of the ninety and nine which went not astray. Even so it is not the will of your Father which is in heaven, that one of these little ones should perish." What kind of shepherd would let his sheep wander off? Is not the shepherd there for one purpose and one only—TO KEEP THE SHEEP?

23. The believer is not condemned.

John 3:18: "He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God."

24. The believer shall not come into condemnation.

John 5:24: "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life."

25. There is now therefore no condemnation for the believer.

Romans 8:1: "There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit."

26. The believer is sealed by the Holy Spirit.

Ephesians 1:13: "In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that Holy Spirit of promise."

27. The believer is sealed for a definite time.

The day of redemption, or the resurrection of the body. Ephesians 4:30: "And grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption."

28. The believers continue with God.

I John 2:19: "They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would no doubt have continued with us: but they went out, that they might be made manifest that they were not all of us." The proof of the believer is his continuance. False professors fall out by the way. Had they been true believers they would have continued.

29. The believer liveth and abideth forever.

I Peter 1:23: "Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth forever."

30. The believer is dead to sin.

Romans 6:2: "God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?"

31. The believer will appear with Christ in glory.

Colossians 3:4: "When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory."

32. The life of the believer is Christ's life.

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33. Since Christ cannot die again, the believer is eternally secure.

Romans 6:9,10: "Knowing that Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him. For in that he died, he died unto sin once: but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God."

34. The believer shall never thirst.

John 4:14: " But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life."

35. The believer Will keep Christ's commandments.

John 14:23: "Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him."

36. The believer saved by faith not works.

Ephesians 2:8,9: "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast."

37. This faith is a gift from God.

Ephesians 2:8,9: "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast."

38. The believer is not saved by what he does, but by what Christ has done for him.

Titus 3:5: "Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost."

Romans 4:5: "But to him that worketh not, but believeth on him that justifieth the ungodly, his faith is counted for righteousness."

39. Salvation is a gift, not a wage.

Romans 6:23: "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."

40. The believer's hope is a living hope.

I Peter 1:3: "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead."

41. The believer's hope will not fade away. Will not grow dim.

I Peter 1:4,5: "To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time."

42. The believer's hope is reserved (set aside) in Heaven for him.

I Peter 1:4: "To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you."

43. The believer's inheritance is incorruptible.

I Peter 1:4: "To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you."

44. The believer's inheritance cannot be defiled.

I Peter 1:4: "To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you."

45. The believer is kept through faith.

I Peter 1:4,5: (See reasons number 36 & 37) "To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time."

46. The believer to be revealed in the last time.

I Peter 1:5: "Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time."

47. The believer is secure because of Christ's prayer.

John 17:9-12: "I pray for them: I pray not for the world, but for them which thou hast given me; for they are thine. And all mine are thine, and thine are mine; and I am glorified in them. And now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world; and I come to thee. Holy

Father, keep through thine own name those whom thou hast given me, that they may be one, as we are. While I was with them in the world, I kept them in thy name: those that thou gavest me I have kept, and none of them is lost, but the son of perdition; that the scripture might be fulfilled."

48. The believer shall never die.

John 11:26: "And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?"

49. The believer to be kept from the evil.

John 17:15: "I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil." Jesus prays that the believer may be kept from the Devil. Was this prayer answered?

50. The believer to be with Christ in glory.

John 17:24: "Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am; that they may behold my glory, which thou hast given me: for thou lovedst me before the foundation of the world."

51. The believer shall never hunger.

John 6:35: "And Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst."

52. The believer will in no wise be cast out. (Not under any circumstances:)

John 6:37: "All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out."

53. Christ will not lose a single believer.

John 6:39: "And this is the Father's will which hath sent me, that of all which he hath given me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day."

54. The believer is more than a conqueror through Christ.

Romans 8:37: "Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us."

55. Christ will raise up the believer at the last day.

John 6:38-40: "For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me. And this is the Father's will which hath sent me, that of all which he hath given me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day. And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day."

56. Whosoever eats the bread of life shall never die.

John 6:51: "I am the living bread which came down from heaven: if any man eat of this bread, he shall live for ever: and the bread that I will give is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world."

57. The believer justified by faith, to be saved from wrath.

Romans 5:9: "Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him."

58. Nothing can separate the believer from Christ.

Romans 8:38,39: "For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

There is nothing in death that can.

There is nothing in life that can.

There is not an angel that can. Good angels would not, bad angels cannot.

Principalities cannot. Satan is head of principalities of darkness.

Powers cannot. Satan is Prince of the powers of the air.

Things present cannot separate.

Things to come cannot.

Heights cannot. There is nothing above that can separate us.

Depth cannot. There is nothing below that can separate us.

Nor any other creature.

NOTHING CAN SEPARATE US FROM THE LOVE OF GOD WHICH IS IN CHRIST JESUS OUR LORD.

59. Christ will complete salvation until the end.

Philippians 1:6: "Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ."

60. The believer to be preserved spirit, soul and body.

I Thessalonians 5:23: "And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."

61. God cannot lie.

Titus 1:2: "In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began."

62. Jesus is able to save unto the uttermost.

Hebrews 7:25: "Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them."

63. The believer is born of incorruptible seed.

I Peter 1:23: "Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth forever." Can the devil corrupt that which God says is incorruptible?

64. The believer to be like Christ.

I John 3:2: "Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is."

65. The believer is perfected forever.

Hebrews 10:14: "For by one offering he hath perfected forever them that are sanctified."

66. The believer believes unto the saving of his soul.

Hebrews 10:38,39: "Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him. But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul."

67. The believer made righteous through Christ's obedience.

Romans 5:18,19: "Therefore as by the offence of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation; even so by the righteousness of one the free gift came upon all men unto justification of life. For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous."

68. Because all things work together for good to the believer.

Romans 8:28: "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose."

69. Because the believer is so helpless that he cannot place his sins upon Christ. God must do it for him. Therefore salvation is by grace.

Isaiah 53:6: "All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all."

70. Because Christ did not come to help us, but to save.

Luke 19:10: "For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost."

71. Because the Holy Spirit abides in the believer forever.

John 14:16,17: "And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you forever; even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you."

72. Because God, not being a man, cannot lie.

Numbers 23:19: "God is not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath he said, and shall he not do it? or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good?"

73. Because His mercy endureth forever.

Psalms 136. Twenty six times in this Psalm it is written "His mercy endureth for ever."

74. Because it is the Father's will that Christ should lose nothing.

John 6:39: "And this is the Father's will which hath sent me, that of all which he hath given me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day."

75. Because the believer has not yet borne the image of the heavenly.

I Corinthians 15:49: "And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly."

76. Because the believer is preserved unto the heavenly kingdom.

II Timothy 4:18: "And the Lord shall deliver me from every evil work, and will preserve me unto his heavenly kingdom: to whom be glory for ever and ever."

77. Because the believer is the object of God's mercy, not His wrath.

Ephesians 2:4: "But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us."

John 3:36: "He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him."

I Thessalonians 5:9,10: "For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ, Who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him."

78. Because a sealed and witnessed transaction is final.

Ephesians 1:13: "In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that Holy Spirit of promise." Sealed with the Spirit.

Hebrews 10:15: "Whereof the Holy Ghost also is a witness to us." Witness of the Spirit.

79. Salvation is obtained, not attained.

Hebrews 9:12: "Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us."

80. Because the believer is a new creation. Created in Christ Jesus. Therefore eternal in righteousness.

Ephesians 4:24: "And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness."

81. Because the Father reckons the sinner:

Dead with Christ,

Buried with Christ,

Raised with Christ, Romans 6:3-5

Seated with Christ, Ephesians 2:4-6

Romans 6:3-5: "Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death? Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection."

Ephesians 2:4-6: "But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved); And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus."

82. Because all believers will be changed at Christ's coming.

I Corinthians 15:51,52: "Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall be changed, In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed."

83. Because of the “MUST” of I Corinthians 15:53.

“For this corruptible MUST put on incorruption, and this mortal MUST put on immortality.”

84. Because the power of God is not limited.

Matthew 28:18,19: “And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.”

I Peter 1:5: “Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.”

85. Because one cannot be unborn.

John 3:5: “Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.”

86. Because the saints are preserved forever.

Psalms 37:28: “For the Lord loveth judgment, and forsaketh not his saints; they are preserved for ever: but the seed of the wicked shall be cut off.”

87. Because Christ will raise every believer up at the last day.

John 6:44-47: “No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day. It is written in the prophets, And they shall be all taught of God. Every man therefore that hath heard, and hath learned of the Father, cometh unto me. Not that any man hath seen the Father, save he which is of God, he hath seen the Father. Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that believeth on me hath everlasting life.”

88. Because nothing can separate us from the love of Christ.

Romans 8:35: “Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?” (The answer “NO” is demanded by the passage to the question).

89. Because the believer overcomes the world.

I John 5:4: “For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.”

90. Because it is the believer’s faith that overcomes the world.

I John 5:4: “For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.

91. Because God will not forget the believer

Isaiah 49:15: “Can a woman forget her sucking child, that she should not have compassion on the son of her womb? yea, they may forget, yet will I not forget thee.”

92. Because the new covenant in His blood, is an everlasting covenant.

Jeremiah 32:40: “And I will make an everlasting covenant with them, that I will not turn away from them, to do them good; but I will put my fear in their hearts, that they shall not depart from me.”

93. Because the believer has ceased from his own works.

Hebrews 4:10: "For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God did from his."

94. Because it is God that works in the believer.

Philippians 2:13: "For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure."

95. Because we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Christ once for all.

Hebrews 10:10: "By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all."

96. Because God's promise that through the offering of Christ He will put away the believer's sins, and will remember them no more.

Hebrews 10:17: "And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more."

97. Because the believer has already been redeemed. (Past tense.)

I Peter 1:18,19: "Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot."

98. Because of the record that God hath given.

I John 5:10,11: "He that believeth on the Son of God hath the witness in himself; he that believeth not God hath made him a liar; because he believeth not the record that God gave of his Son. And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son."

99. Because the believer's salvation is begun and finished by Christ.

Hebrews 12:2: "Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God."

100. Because salvation is by grace, and not by any mixture of grace and works.

Romans 11:6: "And if by grace, then is it no more of works: otherwise grace is no more grace. But if it be of works, then is it no more grace: otherwise work is no more work."

101. Because salvation IS salvation.