



REASONS TO KNOW HIM

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First John 2: 1 – 5

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ETERNAL SECURITY (The security of the believers)

Can a born again, Christian ever lose his salvation?

Salvation is BELIEVING in Jesus Christ

Salvation is trusting in, by faith that Jesus Christ paid for your sins with His blood on the cross of Calvary. (Saint John 3:36, Matthew 26:28, Romans 10:9-10)

We are NOT saved by WORKS

The Bible makes it clear that OUR WORKS has nothing to do with our salvation. We don't receive it by our works — and we don't keep it by our works! (Titus 3:5-7) (Ephesians 2:8, 9)

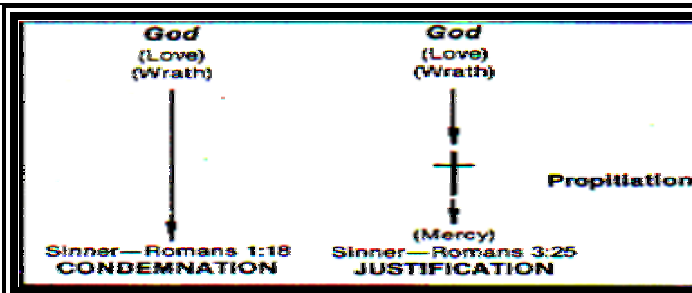
Salvation is a FREE GIFT

Salvation is the free gift of God. If we had to work to keep it — it would not be a free gift — and God would be a liar! (Romans 6:23, Romans 5:18)

Salvation is a NEW BIRTH (BORN AGAIN = BORN FROM ABOVE)

Salvation is not enduring or a process, but an event in time. Salvation is a NEW BIRTH. Just as your first birth happened on a certain time and day, so does the second birth. (First Peter 1:23-25)

ORDO SALUTIS (Latin) → THE ORDER OF SALVATION



Justification
 BAD BEHAVIOR, NEEDS A SAVIOR
Sanctification
 FOR BETTER BEHAVIOR, OBEY THE SAVIOR
Glorification
 MY BEHAVIOR JUST LIKE THE SAVIOR
 (First John 3:2)

You become a CHILD OF GOD— We already HAVE eternal life!

Once you are born again SPIRITUALLY — you become a child of God. (First John 3:2, 5:13)



This train will “train” you in order to understand salvation.

Nothing can SEPARATE us from our Father

My children will always be my children. We may have troubled times. Our fellowship may be broken, but our relationship can never be broken. They will always be my children. Nothing or nobody can change that! (Romans 8:38, Saint John 10:29)

We are PERFECTED (sanctification) PRESERVED in Christ Jesus

" For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified. (Hebrews 10: 10 – 14)

We are KEPT by the POWER of God

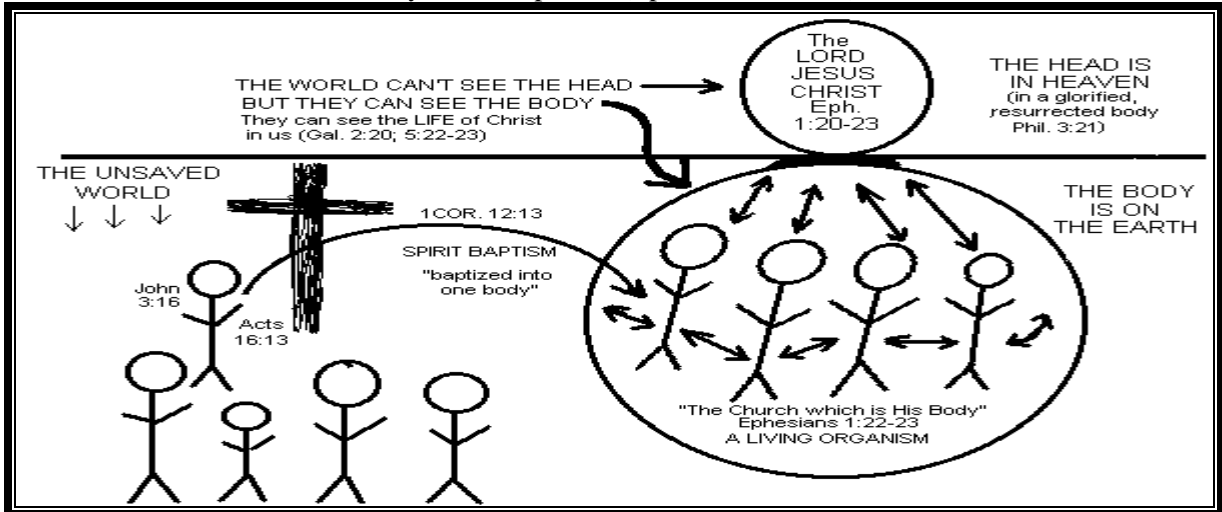
"...who are KEPT BY THE POWER OF GOD through faith...(First Peter 1:5, Jude 24)

We are saved to the UTMOST

(Hebrews 7:25-27)

We are SEALED until the day of redemption

"...YE ARE SEALED unto the day of redemption." (Ephesians 1:13-14)



DOES ETERNAL SECURITY CAUSE PEOPLE TO LIVE CARELESSLY?

Eternal security does not cause people to live carelessly. The grace of God actually motivates believers to serve God with a thankful heart (Titus 2:11-14).

To lose your salvation – makes God a LIAR

With all the PROMISES from God to KEEP you, to SAVE you, to PRESERVE you — to even suggest you could lose your salvation — is to call God a LIAR! (Romans 3:3,4)

Why do people doubt their salvation?

They trust in feelings rather than the word of God.

"He that trusteth in his own heart is a fool: . . ." (Proverbs 28:26)

They are confused by the simplicity of salvation.

"My fear...the serpent beguiled Eve...through his subtlety, so your minds should be corrupted from THE SIMPLICITY that is in Christ." (Second Corinthians 11:3)

They trust in tradition or church teachings rather than the word of God.

(Mark 7:13)

They trust in their own righteousness.

(Isaiah 64:6)

They have NEVER been saved.

(Saint Matthew 7:21)

DISOBEDIENT CHRISTIANS, – WHAT HAPPENS...?

- (1) The sinning Christian loses fellowship with the Lord and his people (1st John 1:3-7)
- (2) The sinning Christian is helped and loved by the Lord Jesus Christ (1st John 2:1-2)
- (3) The sinning Christian is chastened by the Father (Hebrews 12:5-11)
- (4) The sinning Christian loses irreplaceable opportunities for service and fruit (First Corinthians 3: 11 – 15)
- (5) The sinning Christian can be restored into the light and forgiven (First John 1:9)