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“Now that I am saved, can I ever lose my Salvation?”

 Once an individual has settled the question of Salvation as the Bible declares it - by grace through faith in Jesus Christ - it is imperative that they understand how that decision has affected their entire life.

 In Lesson two, we learned that there are only two Spiritual families on this earth, God’s and the devil’s. We learned that we were born into the devil’s family at the time of our physical birth, and we are born into God’s family when we receive Jesus Christ as our Saviour (John 1:12-13).

In this lesson we will discuss the state of the new believer in God’s family, and from the Bible, settle the question of the eternal security of the Christian.

1. Study the testimony of the Lord Jesus Himself on this subject.

1. Jesus Christ promises that, *“...whoever comes to me I will \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ drive away” (John 6:37).* God will not cast you out of His family under any circumstances.
2. *John 10:27-29* makes it clear that \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ can cause you to lose your Salvation,because God your Father is greater than all men, therefore no man is able to snatch you out of His hand.

2. Okay, God won’t drive me away, and no man can snatch me out of His hand, but what about myself? Can I

 do something to lose my Salvation?

1. Salvation is by grace through faith, and not by works. It is a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ from God. No one can lose their Salvation, because no one earned their Salvation. *Ephesians 2:8-10.*
2. *Galatians 3:10-11* and *James 2:10* tell us if we had to do anything to earn or keep Salvation, we would lose it easily. Yet*, 2 Timothy 1:12* assures us it is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ who keeps us, not we ourselves.
3. Galatians 2:21 states clearly that if we could become righteous by anything we do, then Jesus Christ’s death was a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

3. Okay, God won’t cast me out, no man can cause me to lose my Salvation, and I can’t lose it myself, but is

 there anything else that can cause me to lose my Salvation? Answer: \_\_\_\_\_!

Romans 8:38-39 says, “For I am convinced that neither:”

 A. “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_” - you can’t lose it when you die.

 B. “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_” - you can’t lose it while you are alive.

 C. “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”- can’t take it from you.

 D. “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”- the devil’s angels can’t take it from you.

 E. “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”- the devil himself can’t cause you to lose it.

 F. “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”- nothing happening right now can take it away.

 G. “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”- nothing in the future can make you lose it.

 H. “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”- nothing in the highest heavens

 I. “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”- nothing in the lowest depth of the universe.

 J. “NOR ANYTHING ELSE IN ALL CREATION will be able to separate us from the love of God, that is in

 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ our Lord.”

4. Why is this?

1. Because your relationship with God is now a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_-son/daughter relationship by birth. Review *John 1:12-13.*

 B. When you were born physically, there was a record made of your birth \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 When you were born again, a record was made. *1 John 5:11-13.*

1. Your birth certificate was marked with a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Your spiritual birth is sealed by the Holy Spirit of God. *Ephesians 1:13; 4:30.*

1. Once you are reborn, you cannot be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_-reborn. You will be your father’s child for eternity because you were born of his seed. Yet there are many people who fall away or even reject Christ and the gospel after they have seemingly were reborn for some time. Jesus explains this phenomenon as he explains the meaning of the Parable of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, in Matthew 13:18-23.

*See also 1 John 2:18-23*

5. Basic questions.

 A. How can I know for sure that I am saved?

The epistle of 1 John is written for this purpose. *1 John 5:13* says, *“I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that you have eternal life...”* As a new Christian, 1 John should be a primary focal point to help you grow and to settle this issue.

 B. What if I don’t feel saved?

1. Your Salvation is not based on feelings. It is based upon the objective factual truth of the Word of God.
	1. *1 John 3:20* says that there are times when *“... our \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ condemn us* (we think or feel unsaved*)...* yet, *“God is greater than our hearts, and He \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ all things.”* God knows that you’re saved even when at times we don’t *feel* saved.
	2. Titus 1:2 says that we can know the truth that shows us how to live godly lives. And that this truth gives us \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that we have eternal life

 2. JUST BELIEVE WHAT GOD HAS SAID!

 *1 John 2:25*

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**LESSON 2**

1. What is the promise that we can claim in *John 6:37?*

2. From *John 10:27-29*, you should understand that no one can cause you

 to lose your Salvation.

 Why is this?

3. We cannot do anything ourselves that would cause us to lose our

 Salvation. What can we learn from the following verses to support

 this?

 A. *Ephesians 2:8-10*

 B. *2 Timothy 1:12*

 C. *Galatians 2:21*

4. Is there anything at all that can separate us from the love of God?

5. *Romans 8:38-39* shows us that we have received the love of God

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6. Briefly explain three examples that relate your spiritual birth to

 your physical birth.

 A.

 B.

 C.

7. What Scripture reference promises that you can know you have eternal

 life?

8. What do the following verses teach you concerning the promise of

 eternal life?

 A. *1 John 3:20*

 B. *Titus 1:2*

 C. *1 John 2:25*

9. Briefly explain the primary purpose of this lesson.

Key memory verses:

*Ephesians 2:8-10; 1 John 2:25; 1 John 5:13*

NOTE: In many churches today, some popular teachings are:

1. We must work to keep our Salvation.

2. If we sin after we are born again, we can lose our Salvation.

3. God punishes His children according to His own whim and pleasure.

From the Bible principles taught in this lesson, you should understand that these teachings are false, and why?

Write down any questions you may have concerning the subjects in this lesson