

Falling From Salvation is Impossible.

Hebrews 6:4-6 *“For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost, And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come, If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put him to an open shame.”*

As it is with any subject of the bible, people always believe different. This is why it is most important to listen to God and not man. God is Truth, this means He cannot lie, therefore only He can be believed. I’m not saying that all preachers lie, but we are all just men who have been taught by other men. This is why it is so important to *“Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.”* 2 Tim. 2:15
Anyone who only believes what man teaches is a fool, because if we are not seeking our truth and understanding from the Holy Spirit, than we are fools. Jesus said of the Holy Spirit, *“Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.”* John 16:13.

There are few preachers that teach that we are eternally saved, that salvation is not earned, nor can it ever be lost. We do not save ourselves and neither can we make ourselves unsaved or lost again, and if we could every single one of us would.

This passage of scripture speaks of our salvation, of us being *“enlightened”* God said when we are saved we *“have tasted of the heavenly gift.”* He said that when we are saved, we *“were made partakers of the Holy Ghost”*. This is why God said in **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.”* So, while so many teach that salvation is a work they contradict God, they are calling God a liar. And these same people are teaching that salvation is a choice, decision, a prayer, or a *“turning over a new leaf”* are calling God a liar. These folks have not believed the record of God, **1 John 5:10** *“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.”*

If I lived in this world as a “so called Christian” believing what most of these preachers teach I would live a life of fear.

So, what does God say about salvation.

A. Salvation is a birth.

1. Jesus told Nicodemus, **John 3:3** “*Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.*”
 - a. The words “*born again*” means to be born from above, or to be born of God. – This doesn’t seem to me to be something we can lose, or we can cause to be undone. You cannot be unborn a person, nor can we be unborn God’s child.
 - b. Nicodemus was like most people, a very powerful, smart, person who knows nothing about salvation. However, like most people who call themselves “Christian” or Pastors, he understood that it was a birthing process and not just figuratively but literally. **John 3:4** “*Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born?*”
 - c. Jesus confirmed this fact with His response in **verse 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.*” Being born of water is the natural birth and being born of the Spirit (*that is the Holy Spirit*) being born again or from above.
 - d. Verse 6 confirms this thought. “*That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.*”
2. When God said in **Hebrews 6:4** “*...have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost...*” This is exactly what He was talking about, that we that are saved are partnered with the Holy Spirit, as Vincent’s said in his word studies, “*The Holy Ghost is the gift itself which possesses the heavenly quality.*”
 - a. We are partners because we “*have tasted of the heavenly gift*” the gift from God is salvation. We are born again or from above when the Holy Spirit comes into us “tasting Him” or taking Him into us, for a lifelong relationship. – **We cannot lose that!**

- b. The Holy Spirit equips us with a spiritual sense of taste with reference to the things of God. Starting with our re-birth.
 - c. With this re-birth we are partners with God through the Holy Spirit living inside of us, working the works of God in us and through us.
- B. What would it take for one to lose their salvation.
1. We would have to kick the Holy Spirit out of our own bodies. **2Tim. 1:14** *“That good thing which was committed unto thee keep by the Holy Ghost which dwelleth in us.”*
 2. We would have to some how undo our birth from above, or of God. **John 1:13** *“Which were born, not of blood, **nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.**”*
 3. Jesus died once for sin so that we would never need salvation ever again. **Hebrews 10:10, 12** *“By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. (12.) But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God;”* – It would be an open shame to say that the sacrifice Jesus did, was not enough. **Heb. 6:6** *“If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put him to an open shame.”*
 4. If we could fall away, we could never be born from above ever again, what would that say about Christ, God, the Holy Spirit, or our re-birth.
 5. Did Jesus truly carry all our sins to the cross with Him? **Colossians 2:13 - 15** *“And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses; (14) Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross; (15) And **having spoiled** principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in it.”* – Did He destroy death for us, Satan and sins power over us, did he make us victors or not?
 6. Salvation is a gift from God, because God loved us from eternity past, He saved us, He sent Jesus to die for us, He chose to forgive all our sins through the blood of the Lamb, He birthed us, He gave us life, and He will never leave us nor forsake us, nor will He ever separate from us.
- Romans 8:34-39** *“Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that*

is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter. Nay, in all these things **we are more than conquerors through him that loved us**. 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.**”