

Eternal Security**Objectives:**

1. A foundational understanding and Eternal Security of salvation.
2. A growing ability to rely on fact rather than feeling to determine spiritual truth.

Materials

- A Bible and pen.
- Eternal Security* packet.
- Settled* by John Meyer

Tasks:*During the Meeting:*

- Go through the *Eternal Security* packet.
- Go through the *Fact or Feeling* sheet.

Homework:

- Spend time each day reading your Bible and talking to God.
- Listen to a copy of *Settled* by John Meyer before the next meeting.
- Memorize 2 Corinthians 5:17 before the next meeting.

Eternal Security**Eternal Security From The Father**

- 1. If you have become a believer, and God has started a work in you, what can you be confidently assured of? Philippians 1:6**

- 2. According to Romans 8:35-39, which one of the following can separate you from the love and salvation of God?**

- unbelievers
- death
- the devil and demons
- no one and nothing
- difficult circumstances
- persecution
- Myself

- 3. Read John 3:3-8 and 2 Corinthians 5:17.** What has to happen in someone's life before they can enter the kingdom of God? What happens to a person who believes in Christ?

- 4. If you have been born again, what does the Father promise about your inheritance that you are to receive in heaven? 1 Peter 1:3-4**

- 5. Romans 6:23 says that eternal life is a free gift of God. According to Romans 11:29 what is true about this gift?**

- 6. According to 1 Thessalonians 5:9, God has determined two things about a true believer that cannot fail to happen.**

A. What will he never experience from God? _____

B. What is he destined for? _____

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1. In 1 John 5:9-13, the Father gives us His testimony (sworn statement of truth). Read this passage and answer the following questions.

A. What is the requirement for having true life from God? (v. 12)

B. How long will this life last? (v. 11)

- 30 years
- until you "fall from grace"
- until you sin too much
- until you stop believing
- until you stop reading the Bible
- for eternity

C. How can you be sure of your salvation? (v. 13)

- wait and find out
- hope
- remain in doubt
- know absolutely

D. If we don't believe His testimony (that God has given us eternal life) what are we saying about God? (v. 10)

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Eternal Security From The Son

1. According to Jesus, what will happen to every person who has believed in him?

John 3:16 _____

2. In John 5:24 Jesus states three things that are true about the person who has believed in Him. What are they?

A. _____

B. _____

C. _____

3. Read John 10:27-29

A. Where are Jesus' sheep (believers) and who is protecting them?

B. When will Jesus' sheep perish?

- when Jesus denies them
- when they force themselves out of Jesus' and the Fathers' hands
- never
- when they turn away from Jesus and reject them

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4. Jesus Christ is coming back again for us. The Bible says that the time of his return is the end of our age as we know it, "The day of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Read 1 Corinthians 1:7-8 and answer the following questions:

A. How long will the Lord Jesus keep you strong?

B. What will be your standing at the judgment in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ?

5. According to Isaiah 59:2 and Romans 6:23, the only thing that could separate you from God for eternity is your sin.

A. Through his death how many of your sins has Jesus forgiven? Colossians 2:13

B. According to Hebrews 10:12, Christ's sacrifice of Himself:

- paid for all my past sins
- wasn't good enough to pay for all my sins
- Paid for all my sins—past, present, and future

C. Hebrews 10:17 says that because of the sacrifice of Christ, God . . .

- won't punish me for my sins but still holds a grudge against me
- doesn't even remember my sins anymore
- forgave all except my worst sins

D. According to Acts 10:43, every believer . . .

- will be forgiven on the judgment day
- will have his sins forgiven as he confesses them
- has *already* received forgiveness of sins

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E. Since all your sins past present and future have already been forgiven through the death of Christ, what is true of you? Romans 8:1

Eternal Security From The Holy Spirit

1. Read Ephesians 1:13-14

A. After you have listened to the gospel about Christ and believed, what immediately happened to you? _____

B. In Bible times a seal was affixed to all documents and could never be revoked (Esther 8:8). No document was considered authentic without a seal. Since the Holy Spirit (God Himself) is your seal, what does this say about you and your salvation?

C. According to Ephesians 1:14:

Who is the deposit? _____

Who gave the deposit? _____

What for? _____

2. Where is the Holy Spirit right now? 1 Corinthians 6:19

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4. Can a person be a believer and not have the Holy Spirit living in him? Romans 8:9

5. How long will the Holy Spirit be in you? Hebrews 13:5; John 14:16-17

6. With God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit all completely, totally, and unchangeably on your side, can you conclude that your salvation is unshakable?

Take some time now to talk to God. Thank Him that He has given you eternal life and that He will never leave you or forsake you.

Questions For Thought:

What do you remember most from this study?

List one Bible reference from this study that shows that you have:

- A. Eternal Security from the Father _____
- B. Eternal Security from the Son _____
- C. Eternal Security from the Holy Spirit _____

Fact or Feeling

1. Sometimes you may not feel that you are forgiven or going to heaven. Why should you not trust your feelings (heart)? Jeremiah 17:9

2. What should we trust? Psalm 119:89, Psalm 119:160

In the following illustration if "Faith" holds onto "Fact", progress is made up the mountain. However, if "Faith" cuts the rope connecting him to "Fact" and starts relying on "Feelings" to hold him up, catastrophe results. It is much the same for a Christian. The fact that we are saved forever is unshakably secure, but if we forget this fact and start depending on our feelings, we soon lose Eternal Security. Both our faith and our feelings plummet and we don't make progress, until we again start trusting in the truth. God's word must be the basis for our Eternal Security of salvation and not how we feel.

