

# The Security of Salvation

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## Topical Sermon

### Introduction:

- Examples of paradoxes:
  - Jesus – fully God and fully man
  - The Bible – written by men and God
  - Salvation – the gospel offered to all and applied only to the elect
  - Spiritual growth – man’s responsibility and God’s work
- God secures the salvation of a believer, yet He commands believers to persevere

### I. The Security of Salvation (Rom. 5:1-2)

- Romans 1-4: How to get right with God
- Romans 5: The benefits of being right with God
- “What does it mean to be justified?”
- Three benefits of being in a right relationship with God:
  1. We experience peace
  2. We experience grace
  3. We experience hope

### II. The Perseverance of Faith (1 Cor. 15:2; Col. 1:23)

- The parable of the soils – Matthew 13:3-9; 18-23
- The example of Judas – John 6:67-69; Matthew 10:1-7
- 1 Cor. 15:1-2
- Col. 1:21-23
- Eternal security: If the salvation is real, then it is eternal
- Perseverance of faith: If the salvation is real, then it will continue

### Conclusion:

1. It’s possible for a Christian to struggle
2. It’s possible for a Christian to doubt at times
3. All Christians will stumble, but the true Christian will never fall away permanently