

Resurrection Life of Jesus Church

THE LETTER TO THE ROMANS

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PART 15: SALVATION AND THE BOOK OF LIFE

NEVER SEPARATED

There is nothing that can separate a believer in Christ from God! Once you are saved, there is an ironclad promise that no one will be able to isolate you from God. This means that the Devil, fallen angels, and people can torment and kill the physical body, but the soul and spirit of a saved man is secure forever. **Romans 8:33-39; John 10:27-30; Hebrews 6:13-20**

LOSING YOUR SALVATION?

Can a person lose their salvation? This is an interesting question and one which many Christians struggle with. There are two scripture references as to how a person can lose their salvation.

1. An angel declares that taking the Mark of the Beast will subject you to eternal damnation in the Lake of Fire. **Revelation 14:8-13**

The Antichrist will coerce but not force anyone to take the Mark of the Beast. He wants humanity to voluntarily worship him. Taking the Mark is a personal choice; an act of free will. **Revelation 13:14-18**

Christian will have to take a stand, and if they cave in and take the Mark of the Beast to get food and work during the reign of the Antichrist, it is a personal choice with eternal ramifications. **Revelation 14:12-13**

2. Anyone tampering with the Word of God will be punished. Adding to the Bible will bring terrible plagues, but removing words means loss of salvation. **Revelation 22:16-19**

These two references in the Book of Revelation do not conflict with what Paul wrote to the Romans. There is no external force that can cause you to lose your salvation; it is a personal choice and the only one you can blame is yourself.

Blaspheming the Holy Spirit will not result in loss of salvation; it is simply a sin that will not be forgiven on earth or in heaven. **Matthew 12:31-32**

BOOK OF LIFE

It is common for Christians to say that when a person is born again, their name is written in the Book of Life. This is not true. When Jesus died on the cross, he paid for the sins of mankind. **John 1:25-29**

Salvation is available for anyone on earth. **John 3:16**

Everyone can be saved but this doesn't mean that everyone will be saved, since each person must repent and make Jesus their Lord and Savior. **Romans 10:8-13**



Jesus as the Lamb of God was slain before the foundation of the world since God the Father knew that Lucifer would rebel, give birth to sin, and start a war that would encompass the entire creation. God had already accounted for Lucifer's defeat and subsequent trial and the creation of humanity to prove His righteousness.

God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit agreed to redeem the human race and Jesus agreed to pay for the sins of mankind. This is why the Bible records Jesus as being slain before the foundation of the world because God had already seen it in His mind. **Hebrews 4:3; Revelation 13:8**

Everyone born through the ages had their names written in the Book of Life. Moses knew about this when he spoke to God about the Book of Life. **Exodus 32:30-33**

Jesus is confirming this was true when He addressed the church in Sardis. **Revelation 3:3-6**

The moment a person dies on earth and he was not born again (meaning that he had accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior), his name is blotted out from the Book of Life and taken to God's jail. **Luke 16:19-24**

Everyone in hell will be resurrected with a shameful body at the end of time. **Daniel 12:1-2**

They will be brought to the Great White Throne Judgment to receive their eternal sentences of punishment and then cast into the Lake of Fire. If the name does not appear in the Book of Life, they will be sent to the Lake of Fire. **Revelation 20:11-15**

Remember, it's not so important how you begin your life after salvation, but how you finish it!

Do you have an ear to hear with?