940109PM REV 17:8 PART 4 "SAVED WITHOUT A DOUBT" PART FOUR

- 1. We KNOW Satan is the Adversary. "out of the bottomless pit"
- 2. We ARE Citizens of Heaven. "dwell on the Earth"
- > 3. We HAVE a Secure Salvation. "names were not..."
- 4. We WERE chosen by God "before the foundation..."

Today, Why can we be sure our Salvation is Secure? First of all, theologically, our salvation is secured in a triple way.

A. OUR SURE SALVATION IS SECURED BY GOD.

- 1. By God the Father's Decree
 - a. THE FATHER SENT
 - b. THE FATHER GIVES
 - c. THE FATHER SECURES
 - d. THE FATHER PROMISES
- 2. Through Christ the Son's Defense
 - a. CHRIST DIED FOR WHAT WE WERE: SINFUL
 - b. CHRIST PURGES WHAT WE ARE: DEFILED
 - c. CHRIST INTERCEDES WE WILL BE: WEAK
- >>3. With God the Spirit's Deposit
 - a. THE SPIRIT SEALS OUR ETERNITY
 - b. THE SPIRIT SAVES/RESERVES OUR PLACE
 - c. THE SPIRIT SANCTIFIES OUR ENTIRETY
 - d. THE SPIRIT MAKES US HOLY
 - e. THE SPIRIT GIVES US LIFE IN CHRIST
 - f. THE SPIRIT MORTIFIES OUR FLESH
 - g. THE SPIRIT LEADS US LIKE SONS
 - h. THE SPIRIT REMINDS US OF OUR ADOPTION
 - i. THE SPIRIT ASSURES US OF OUR FAMILY
 - j. THE SPIRIT INTERCEDES FOR OUR WEAKNESS

B. WE ALSO HAVE SURE PROMISES.

- 1. His Peace because the War is ended.
- 2. His Presence because the Veil was opened.
 - a. In the Past there was Fear.
 - b. In the Present we have Free Access.
 - c. For the Future we have Great Boldness

Confidence).

- 3. His Promise of a Hope for the Future.
 - a. We have an Enduring Hope.
 - b. We have a rejoicing Hope.
- 4. His Prevailing Love within us.
 - a. His love has been POURED OUT...
 - b. His Love is now OVERFLOWING.
- 5. His Power To Deliver Us.

Let's examine each of these facts that make us triply secure in our Salvation.

3. With God the Spirit's Deposit

a. THE SPIRIT SEALS OUR ETERNITY

Ephesians1:13-14 ¹³ And you also were included in Christ when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation. Having believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, ¹⁴ who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession -- to the praise of his glory. (NIV)

ILLUSTRATIONS: GREEK ARABON; DOWN PAYMENT; PROMISE OF THE WHOLE BY A PART. AS THE RECEIPT OF THE ATM MACHINE IS A PROMISE OF THE SAFEKEEPING OF YOUR MONEY BY THE BANK...

b. THE SPIRIT SAVES/RESERVES OUR PLACE

1 Peter1:4 ⁴ and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade -- kept in heaven for you, (NIV)

c. THE SPIRIT SANCTIFIES OUR ENTIRETY

2 Thessalonians2:13 But we ought always to thank God for you, brothers loved by the Lord, because from the beginning God chose you to be saved through the sanctifying work of the Spirit and through belief in the truth. (NIV)

Pep Boys lot stages, wrecked, cleared, hauled away, leveled, new building materials, boom up for usage. So are we in His hands.

1 Thessalonians 5:23 And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and *I pray God* your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. (KJV)

Sanctification is like that big fresh dessert you bring home and write the note that says "FOR THE PARTY, DON'T TOUCH". Its set aside for the special use. God sets you and me aside for His own special uses...

d. THE SPIRIT MAKES US HOLY

Romans 1:4 And declared *to be* the Son of God with power, according to the spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead: (KJV)

We are born cute but rotten sinner s. We grow up into rottener and not so cute sinners.

e. THE SPIRIT GIVES US LIFE IN CHRIST

Romans 8:2 because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit of life set me free from the law of sin and death. (NIV)

Air India was the carrier chosen to make my world pass connections. Over one 96 day period we flew 20,00 miles to 30 countries. Air India has a reputation for over filling the planes with people and cargo until it groans with the weight. At Delhi, with cows at eye level, our 747 was earthbound to nearly the end of the runway until a higher law than gravity, the law of lift took over and snatched us off the ground.

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f. THE SPIRIT MORTIFIES OUR FLESH

Romans 8:13 For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live. (KJV)

Galatians 2:20 ²⁰ I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me. (KJV)

CRUCIFIED HANDS DON'T....CRUCIFIED FEET DON'T....CRUCIFIED EYES DON'T....

g. THE SPIRIT LEADS US LIKE SONS Romans 8:14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. (KJV)

John 1:12 ¹² But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, *even* to them that believe on his name: (KJV)

h. THE SPIRIT REMINDS US OF OUR ADOPTION

Romans 8:15 For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, "Abba, Father." (NKJV)

i. THE SPIRIT ASSURES US OF OUR FAMILY Romans 8:16 The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. (NIV)

j. THE SPIRIT INTERCEDES FOR OUR WEAKNESS

Romans 8:26 In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groans that words cannot express. (NIV)

Hebrews 4:15-16 For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as *we are, yet* without sin. ¹⁶ Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need. (KJV)