## Eternal Security

**Topic:** today we're doing a subject study on the topic of "Eternal Security". The word "eternal" is a Greek word that means past, present, and future. It means forever, perpetual. Eternal life means life forever, and eternal security goes along with eternal life. They are inseparable. Everlasting life is another term. Eternal life stresses the quality of the life that you will perpetually have throughout eternity. Everlasting life means just the length of the life, a timeframe, and has nothing to do with the quality of your life. There is another phrase that is not used in the bible, and that is eternal death. All people have everlasting life. Those who have been saved through the grace of God will have eternal life – a good life forever. Those who have not been saved will have everlasting life – spent in hell. All will live forever – it just depends on where.

**John 10:27-28:** Jesus says that whoever hears His voice will receive eternal life and nothing will be able to take the saved away from Jesus. You become a child of Jesus once you are saved. Being saved is a birth. Like your human parents, they gave birth to you, they have a birth certificate, and whether you behave good or bad, you are forever and for always your parents' child. It is the same way with Jesus. Once you are saved, you are a child of God no matter how you behave. It doesn't belong to the church, to your friends, to anyone but you and the Lord.

**John 1:11-13:** We know the Jews rejected Christ as their king. But those who received Him then, He gave the authority to be the son of God. We see they weren't born of blood or by anyone else's thoughts or will or actions. It says we that received God became sons of God through God Himself. It's a spiritual and heavenly event that happens through the will of God and through your acceptance of Christ into your heart. There is no physical work involved in obtaining eternal life through God.

**John 11:24:** this is where Jesus resurrected and was talking to Martha. Jesus said "I am the resurrection". This means He is the way to an eternal life of joy, happiness, respect, and peace rather than an eternity of smoke, fire, stench, and torture. If you do not accept Jesus Christ as your eternal savior, you are headed to an eternal death.

I John 5:9-13: witnesses in a court room can put a man in jail for the rest of his life or free him. We as humans accept that. The bible says the witness of God is greater than that. Anyone who rejects Christ is calling God a liar. How do you get eternal life and not eternal death? It's in God's son, Jesus. With Jesus, you get eternal life and eternal security. He that has the Son has life; he that doesn't have the Son doesn't have life. It's as simple as that. And to you who do believe on the Son of God, you have eternal life.

**Romans 8:35-39:** there is a list of earthly things that cannot separate us from the love of Christ in vs35. Then in vs38 there is a list of heavenly things that cannot separate us from the love of Christ. Vs39 lists more things in the universe that cannot separate us from the love of God. These verses mean that nothing in the universe, either physical or spiritual, can separate us from the love of God once we have accepted Him into our hearts as our savior. If something didn't get you saved, it can't get you lost, like trying to obey the ten commandants, or any other works you could do. Good works get us rewards in heaven, bad works get us no rewards in heaven but we are still loved by God.