

Four Reasons Why a Christian Can't Lose His Salvation

Romans 8:34

I came across an article written by Bishop Curtis A. Timmons, B.A. Th.D., Bishop of Joy of Life Christian Cathedral that said, "*The eternal security of the believer is a strong delusion. It is a dangerous false doctrine, a destructive and deceptive teaching of Satan invading and polluting many of today's modern Christian churches.*" Strong statements. He goes on to say, "*A true born again believer who has accepted Christ as their Lord and Savior, can of their own freewill choose to leave Christ and walk out from under the safety of his sanctifying blood, thus facing **again** the consequences of sin, eternal damnation.*"

It baffles me how a church can have any kind of joy believing what Bishop Timmons believes. However, rather than attacking his position, let's positively see what Paul says. There are four reasons given, in this one verse, why a Christian can't lose his salvation.

I. Christ died.

*"By his death, the penalty of the holy law, on account of its violation by His people, was executed, and **satisfaction was made to Divine justice**" Robert Haldane.*

God's holiness is infinite, and His justice is absolute. In the Old Covenant, God instituted the sacrificial system to show people the necessity of a satisfaction. These sacrifices foreshadowed the work of Jesus Christ. His death utterly forbids the condemnation of the elect of God (v.33). His death has made satisfaction for them. In the case of the believer, both accusation and condemnation are impossible (v. 34).

II. Christ rose.

The resurrection of Christ confirms that complete satisfaction was made for us.

"For if but one sin which had been laid upon Him had continued unatoned for, He would have remained forever in the grave, death being the wages of sin" Haldane.

"If Christ be not raised, your faith is vain; ye are yet in your sins" (I Cor. 15:17).

As Christ's death was our **condemnation**, so Christ's resurrection was our **absolution**.

This is why the emphasis of the apostle's message was the resurrection (Lk. 24:46).

III. Christ sits

This is a figurative expression used by both Paul and the writer of Hebrews to help us understand that nothing else need be done for our salvation. The Old Testament priests "*standeth daily offering sacrifices*" but our Great High Priest offered Himself and "*sat down.*" (Heb. 10:12). Who dares enter His presence to charge a believer?

IV. Christ prays.

When I say "*Christ prays*" I simply mean He has conversation with the Father. This communion with the Father is for a purpose. Christ intercedes on behalf of believers.

He continually presents His blood of perpetual efficacy on the behalf of His people.

"For without the shedding of blood, there is no remission of sins" (Hebrews 9:22).

This is why He said to His disciples, "*I go to prepare a place for you*" (John 14:3).

I can't lose my salvation because my salvation is obtained by Christ's perfect work.