

22T05z Always Saved – PREVIEW

Hello my friends. Thanks for joining me today for an @ the PUNLA coffee table PREVIEW.

This is a preview of an upcoming series titled “Always Saved”.

Once Saved, Always Saved? I’m sure if you are a Christian, you’ve heard this phrase. But the question I was asked was, “Is this doctrine Biblical”? Another way this is commonly said is “*eternal security*”.

I attend a church that believes this doctrine. I was sitting in church listening to a discussion about “believers” and how even if they are living in open rebellion against God, they are still saved. Yet, I had been studying the book of Revelation which talks about Apostasy, and I had just completed a study on the Parable of the Sower with my kids. The doctrine of “*Once Saved, Always Saved*” does not appear to be consistent with these scriptures. So, now what.?

The question that was posed to me was, “Is the doctrine of Once Saved, Always Saved supported by the bible?”

Now I believe that your interpretation of the bible must be consistent with all scriptures. A doctrine is only as strong as the scriptures that don’t support it. Typically, if your viewpoint is not supported by all scriptures then your interpretation is probably wrong. There is really no reason to further discuss it.

Let me clear, you cannot pick and choose what scriptures to believe and which to ignore. You either believe the bible and trust the bible or you don’t. I believe God has given us His holy word in the Bible. This means, I believe the message in the Bible is consistent cover to cover. This does not mean I think every translation of the Bible is perfect but the message and thus our interpretation must be consistent and supported by all scriptures.

So, let’s open the Bible together and see what it says about “*Once Saved, Always Saved*” is it supported by all scriptures. Let’s find out.

We are going to review the Bible scriptures most scholars reference on both sides, the supporters and detractors, of this doctrine. As, we dig into the scriptures together, we will ask ourselves two questions.

- Do I have free will?
- What does believing in Jesus require of us?

To answer our questions, we must look at each scripture from the two perspectives,
Choice #1: On-time sincere choice.
Choice #2: Follow King Jesus (Relationship).

I hope you will enjoy this research project, “Always Saved”

I’ll leave you with these thoughts. A Christian is a follower of Christ. Follow is an action word. We are saved by grace. I believe our objective as a Christian is to Follow Christ, be His witnesses, go, make, and teach new disciples, become more and more like the one we love. Jesus gives a free gift to His followers, which is salvation and eternal life with Him. So, you be the judge, “*Once Saved, Always Saved,*” or something else??

Lord Jesus, thank you for your word, the bible. I’m so thankful that we can studied your word and have a discussion about it. Help us to see the big picture you paint with all your words in the bible, not just a single brush stroke or verse. Amen

Trust God with your Outcome and He will give you Peace. Trust God, Have Peace. Thank you for joining me, @ the PUNLA Coffee Table PREVIEW for Always Saved. See you next time @ the PUNLA Coffee Table.