

Preservation - Eternally Secure

Words Describing Salvation
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I. The Lord Jesus is the Shepherd Who has come to save His sheep.

1. He would give them life by l_____g down His life for them. (Joh.10:10-14)

II. Not All Men Are the Lord's Sheep.

1. The Good Shepherd did not lay down His life for all men. He laid down His life for "the sheep". (Joh.10:11,26; Isa.53)

2. It is n__t the nature of man to believe on Christ and unconditionally surrender to Him. (Psa.14:1-3; 53:1-3; Isa.53:6; Rom.3:9-12; Joh.6:44)

III. The Sheep Characterized

1. Each of the Lord's sheep in time comes to h__ His voice. (Joh.10:27; Psa.110:3; Joh.6:36-37)

2. Christ knows each of His sheep from et____y. (Joh.10:27b; Jer.31:2; Isa.53:10; Joh.10:1-5)

3. All of the sheep when called follow Him. They are characterized by obed_____e – they love and follow Christ. (Joh.10:27c; 1Jo.2:3-5)

IV. All of the Sheep Are Eternally Secure – Preserved!

1. Christ gives each of them life – et____l life – His own life imparted. (Joh.10:28a; 17:3; 5:24,40; 1Jo.5:11-13)

2. N____ of the Lord's sheep shall ever perish. (Joh.10:28b; 3:16)

3. No one shall ever take them out of H____ hand. (Joh.10:28c; Jud.1)

1) The preserved are as s_____e as that in which they are preserved.

a) If one is to destroy them he must be able to get to the j____ and break it open.

b) The saints are preserved in Jesus Christ. Can anyone get to them and break H____ open? (Mat.28:18; Rev.1:17-18)

2) The Preserved are as secure as the Seal that is on t____. (Eph.1:13-14; 4:30)

a) The omnipotent Holy Spirit seals each of the Lord's sheep u____l the time and u____o the occasion of each being bodily brought to the Father. (Joh.3:8)

4. The sheep did not give themselves to Christ. The F_____r gave them to Him. (Joh.10:29a; 6:36-39)

5. The Father is greater than ALL – His purpose to save the sheep ca____t be thwarted. (Joh.10:29b; Isa.43:13; 46:10-11)

6. The sheep are in the Father's alm_____y hand. They are eternally secure. (Joh.10:29c)

7 Reasons the Sheep Are Secure – Preserved

1. Believers are Christ's sheep. It is the duty of the Shepherd to care for His sheep. Will He lose any?
2. They follow Christ. Not – “they ought to”, they do, no exceptions – and so will follow Him to Heaven.
3. They are given eternal life. If there is an end to their life, the Lord, Who is the Truth and cannot lie, lied.
4. This eternal life is given. Nothing was done to merit it. Nothing can be done to lose it.
5. The Lord said they “shall never perish”. If they can perish or will, the Lord lied.
6. Can any pluck us from the Shepherd's hand? None can pluck out!
7. Above them is the Father's hand. They can't jump out of Christ or the Father's. They are preserved – eternally secure!