

*My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand.*

*John 10:27-29*

***Scripture Reading:***

*Ephesians 1:1-14*

*1 Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus  
by the will of God,*

*To the saints in Ephesus, the  
faithful in Christ Jesus:*

*2 Grace and peace to you from God  
our Father and the Lord Jesus  
Christ.*

*3 Praise be to the God and Father  
of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has  
blessed us in the heavenly realms  
with every spiritual blessing in  
Christ. 4 For he chose us in him  
before the creation of the world to  
be holy and blameless in his sight.  
In love*

*5 he predestined us to be adopted as his sons through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will 6 to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves. 7 In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace*

*8 that he lavished on us with all wisdom and understanding. 9 And he made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ, 10 to be put into effect when the times will have reached their fulfillment to bring all things in heaven and on earth together under one head, even Christ.*

*11 In him we were also chosen, having been predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will, 12 in order that we, who were the first to hope in Christ, might be for the praise of his glory.*

*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.*

# Communion: Celebrating the Security of Salvation

## Introduction:

- I. Can we know that we are saved?
- II. Can we lose our salvation?

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## I. Can we know that we are saved?

### 1 John

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|---------------------------------|-------|
| 1. Obedience                    | 2:3   |
| 2. Walking as Jesus walked      | 2:5-6 |
| 3. We are in a spiritual battle | 2:18  |
| 4. We are becoming like Christ  | 3:2-3 |
| 5. Becoming like Christ         | 3:10  |

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### 1 John

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| 6. Loving other Christians | 3:14 |
| 7. Laying down our lives   | 3:16 |
| 8. Loving actions          | 3:18 |
| 9. The Holy Spirit         | 3:14 |
| 10. God's love for us      | 4:16 |

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### 1 John

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| 11. Loving obedience         | 5:2  |
| 12. Answered prayer          | 5:16 |
| 13. Ridding ourselves of sin | 5:18 |
| 14. Contrast with the world  | 5:19 |
| 15. Knowing Christ           | 5:20 |

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## II. Can we lose our salvation?

### What gives us Security?

#### A. The results of Justification

- Peace with God
- Access to God's Grace
- The Joy of Hope
- Joy in Sufferings

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## II. Can we lose our salvation?

### What gives us Security?

#### B. Contrasting Our Sin and God's Love

We were: powerless – ungodly – sinners – enemies

God's Love: brought reconciliation!

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### What gives us Security?

#### C. Being “IN CHRIST”      Romans 5:12-21

We were in Adam

We are “in Christ”