

The Eternal Security of the Believer

The Bible teaches the eternal security of the believer,
but not the eternal security of the unbeliever.

If someone acts as an unbeliever (ongoing sin), God treats them as an unbeliever. If we believe stepping on the brakes of the car will save us from harm, but do not step on the brakes, what happens? What if we do not put the brakes on sin (repent)? (Luke 13:1-5) Jesus said that those who don't keep His commands are doomed (Matt 7:21-27, 25:31-46; John 5:26-29; Rev 3:15-17; see 1 John 2:3-4). If someone does not believe that, he does not believe Jesus. He is not a believer.

Demons believe Jesus is "the Holy One of God" and "the Son of God" (Mark 1:24, 3:11).

Demons believe the gospel that Jesus is the "way of salvation". (Acts 16:16-18).

Since demons believe in Jesus, are they saved? Why not?

When Jesus says "*he who believes in Me has everlasting life*" (John 6:47), Jesus means those who act in belief are saved and those who do not are lost (Matt 7:21-27). This is really just common sense. Folks that willfully sin are not God's friends, but are opposing Him, so how can He accept them? (John 15:14; Hebrews 10:26-27; Romans 2:5-11)

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===== Scriptures (NKJV) =====

Matthew 7:24 "Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock: 25 and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it did not fall, for it was founded on the rock.

26 "But everyone who hears these sayings of Mine, and does not do them, will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand: 27 and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it fell. And great was its fall."

James 1:22 But be doers of the word and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.