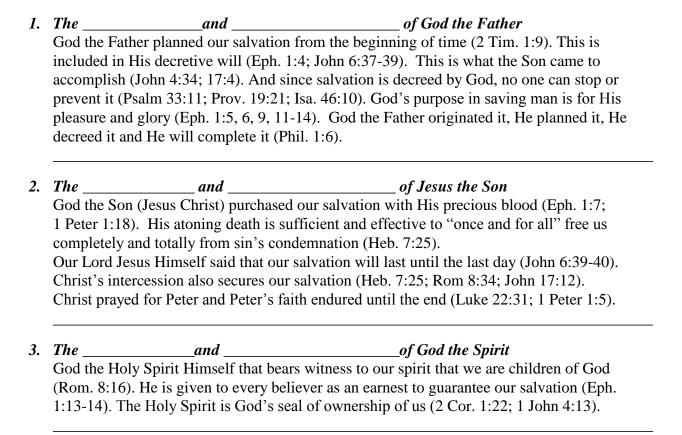
## Saved and Secure

## Selected Scriptures

Salvation is God's most precious gift to us. Paul celebrates and praises God for this gift in Ephesians 1 and attributes all aspect of our salvation to God. Salvation is by His will, by His purpose, by His design, and all for His own glory. In our salvation the Father blesses us by choosing us (v. 4), predestining us (v.5), and accepting us (v.6). Jesus the Son blesses us by redeeming us (v. 7a), forgiving us (v. 7b), revealing His will to us (vv. 8-10) and making us an inheritance (vv. 11-12). The Holy Spirit blesses us by sealing and guaranteeing us (v. 13-14). God guarantees the security of our eternal life (Psalm 94:14; Jer. 32:40, John 3:16, 18; 4:14; 5:24; 10: 27-30; 1 Cor. 1:8, 9; 1 Thess. 3:13; 5:23, 2 Thess. 3:3; 1 Peter 1:5). True believers are saved and are kept safe because God will preserve them. The believers' salvation is eternally secure based on the following realities:



God's preservation of our salvation is motivated chiefly by His great love for us. And nothing shall be able to separate us from His love (Rom. 8: 38-39). We have committed our salvation to Him and He is able to keep us from falling (2 Tim. 1:12, Jude 24-25). Salvation is God's most precious gift to you. It is eternally secure. Praise and thank always God for it. And so while it is true that God alone saves us, nevertheless God wants us to live a life that reflects the reality and power of that salvation (Phil. 2:12; cf. 1 John 1:5-10; 3:3-6; Col. 1:21-23; Heb. 10:26-30; 12:1).