

What Does the Bible Say?

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Once Saved, Always Saved?

Some teach that once a person has been saved from his past sins he cannot sin and fall away so as to be eternally lost.

The Bible says we can sin. John said, "If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us" (1 Jn. 1:8).

The Bible records Christians who did sin. Simon believed and was baptized (Acts 8:13; Mk. 16:16). He sinned and was "in the gall of bitterness, and in the bond of iniquity" (Acts 8:23).

The Bible tells us what to do when we sin. Simon was told, "Repent...and pray God, if perhaps the thought of thine heart may be forgiven thee" (Acts 8:22). John said, "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins..." (1 Jn. 1:9).

The Bible warns us about sinning and falling away. "Take heed, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief, in departing from the living God" (Heb. 3:12). "Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall" (1 Cor. 10:12).

If a child of God cannot sin so as to fall from grace and be forever lost, why does the Bible say he can sin, record those who did sin, tell us what to do when we sin, and warn us about falling away?

We invite you to study the Bible with us!