## #53 ETERNAL SECURITY

There's a teaching going on that casts a doubt About what the mission of Jesus was all about. And unfortunately those that believe it commit blasphemy Against our Lord and Saviour as you will shortly see.

The teaching is that you cannot be sure
That your eternal destiny in heaven is secure.
They call it the **"sin of presumption"** if you say

Cat. Catechism 1036;2005
That you will go to heaven instantly on your dying day.

They say that it's pride when you speak that phrase.

They say of the path to heaven, there are A COUPLE OF WAYS!

One is called purification in a place called Purgatory

Where people can still pray for your atonement. A likely story.

Cath. Cat.1030-1032; 1054; 1472

<u>They also teach</u> that you can go straight into the Father's arms
If you've lived a life that was full of good works and plenty of charms

Cath. Cat. 1472-79

That'll please Him enough to say something like "Come hither *my* child". But these are two ways, for too many people, the Devil has beguiled!

First of all, the place called **Purgatory is not scriptural at all**. It came from the Roman Catholic Church shortly after they picked up The religious ball And started to run with it as if **IT'S** WORD was infallible. Unfortunately, too many of their teachings are full of bull.

At the Councils of Florence and Trent they made up this doctrine

Cath. Cat. 1031

And on the Devil's face, just then, was planted a huge grin
Because it was a small step away from completely trusting in God's Son
When He died on the cross after His last words attested to the fact that
"It IS Done".

John 19:30

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The other doctrine leads you to believe that enough good works

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Will earn your way into Heaven. It is here the Devil's deception lurks. It says in **Ephesians 2:9** that **good works WON'T** get you inside And it warns you that if you think they will - THAT is but pride!

Huh, now THAT'S the sin of presumption
If you think you'll get into Heaven upon this assumption.

Good works are a sign that show you've been saved...

Not a means of salvation as if your own road you've just paved!

You can do nothing on your own that will get you in.

Eph. 2:8-9
The only things you are capable of are evil and sin.
But when one gets "Born Again" he starts learning to submit every
Moment to the Lord
And accepts the truth that you can only enter in on Jesus' accord.

PRIDE comes before the fall. The Bible does say Prov. 16:18; 1 Tim. 3:6 That's why Lucifer was cast out of Heaven on that fateful day;

And it's his main trick to keep you out too

If you refuse to humble yourself 100% and accept what Jesus did for You!

Now let me tell you what God Himself has said And I hope and pray that it will sink down deep into your head. But it must also be planted and start growing in your hardened heart So you, <u>by yourself</u>, will <u>begin to study</u> His Word and do your part.

Almost everyone knows what **John 3:16 says** and it cuts like a knife... That whosoever **believes in Jesus shall** have everlasting life; And **Hebrews 12:2** says <u>He's the finisher</u> of our faith for sure So that's <u>not something we're to doubt...our destiny is secure!</u>

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The main word in **John 3:16** is **BELIEVE!**We're not to fall for any tricks Satan has up his sleeve!
The word believe is a Verb, which means it's an action
That continues to grow and blossom to the Lord's satisfaction.

Remember, **HIS WILL <u>IS</u> THAT ALL <u>SHOULD</u> BE SAVED!** Luke 1:71 He did not offer Himself as your Saviour so that opportunity should be Waived!

He created you to fellowship forever with Him in a place without time! But it must be done freely, of our own will, just **BELIEVE** it's a <u>free</u> Gift... <u>It can't</u> cost you a dime!

A FREE GIFT is something that cannot be paid for! Romans Chapter 5

All He wants you to do is answer when He knocks at your door.

It's a SLAP IN HIS FACE if you think YOU should HELP PAY!

That wouldn't be an action of BELIEVING Jesus paid the FULL PRICE that Day!!!

1 Cor. 6:19-20; 7:20-24

Have you not read Hebrews 6:11-12 and **10**:18-**25 too**? God's Word shows you EXACTLY what you are to THINK and DO! **BELIEVE**, as an action daily that His Word is True... right to the "t" When Jesus stated, "All that the Father has given me shall come to me".

John 6:37

Or have you read **Psalms 31:23-24**? These verses the Devil hates. Read it closely, Will you dispute what it states? For the Lord preserves the faithful and **rewards the PROUD DOER!** Be of good courage & He'll strengthen your heart. **His Word is the cure!** 

So **BELIEVE** that you're a child of God and He holds your fate. Try reading your Bible...like **Colossians 2:8** 

Which <u>warns</u> of philosophy and vain deceit after the <u>traditions</u> of men! TRUE FAITH & BELIEF in JESUS' WORK will stop you from ever doubting Again!!!

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