2Thess #136

Many Believers will face a barn fire after the Rapture, not a loss of salvation.

Let us jump back in 1Corinthians chapter 6 where we left off last lesson.

1Cor 6:9 Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived; neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals,

[1Co 6:10](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/1co/6/10/s_1068010) nor thieves, nor *the* greedy, nor those habitually drunk, nor verbal abusers, nor swindlers, will inherit the kingdom of God.

I remind you, Jacob was a thief and a swindler – Moses and David committed murder, Abraham and Sarah brought a young woman into their marriage bed (Hagar).

The list is very extensive about born again Bels in scripture, having many sins or failures throughout their life.

Again, I ask you…do you think any of them lost their salvation?

[1Co 6:11](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/1co/6/11/s_1068011) Such were some of you; but you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and in the Spirit of our God.

The Apostle Paul uses the term - WASHED for salvation, meaning most of them, he was confident most were born again and saved.

The ones who were not and certainly the outside legal system of Greece, was not washed clean and saved.

Remember, the corrupt judges and outside legal counsel was the core subject matter.

They would not see the kingdom of GOD in any realm.

/The problem of looking into these types of scriptures only lays in the historical context and subtleties of the original language. Once you peel that back, while accurately aligning that, with categories of solid doctrine it makes sense. Warnings such as seen in Gal 5:21 & 1Cor 6:9-10, speak to a loss of momentum toward maturity, not loss of salvation. Do not conform to those who reject Christ, these are the ones who habitually walk in this lifestyle.\

That is the key lesson.

That is at the core of these types of warnings.

Yet it is those types of scriptures, in the wrong hands, that can lead to false teaching about loss of salvation.

These types of people who walk in a lifestyle of all these sins listed are either Unbels – which is the key example being taught by Paul. Or they are a loser Bel heading into misery and a complete loss of blessings…not loss of salvation.

 REPEAT

Folks, ask yourself why GOD kept calling back the nation of Israel, even though every other generation they would fail miserably. They would worship the BAAL system which was pure evil, human sacrifices, sexual perversions and witchcraft.

Yet repentance was always the lesson and always the call from God’s prophets.

Because they were predominantly BELIEVERS…God does not take back HIS grace gifts…salvation is one of them!

This is important to understand and it is worth the extra time to cover this doctrine.

Let me quickly touch on, two other scriptures sometimes misunderstood and yet they are very clearly related to eternal security.

Rev 21:27 pointing to the entrance into heaven.

/Rev 21:27 and **nothing unclean**, and no one **who practices abomination** and lying, shall ever come into it, but only **those whose names are written in the Lamb’s book of life**.

This is clearly speaking to Believers – they are washed clean by the blood of the LAMB. And have their name written in the Lamb’s book at the moment of salvation.\

Those who live a lifestyle of lying - are often referenced as those who reject the truth of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

BD – the Bible, is the mind of Christ - the only truth. Practicing a life of lying means you reject the mind of Christ.

/Rev 22:14 **Blessed are those who wash their robes**, so that they will have **the right to the tree of life**, and may enter the city by the gates. 15 Outside are the dogs, the sorcerers, the sexually immoral persons, the murderers, the idolaters, and everyone who loves and **practices lying**.

A washed robe, points to the one-time cleansing of salvation. They accepted the truth of the gospel of Christ.\

You can live a life with a lot of lies – except one – the truth of the saving work of Jesus Christ.

Jump over to Hebrews chapter six RF.

Even when our LORD was preparing the apostles, to be the leaders for the new church age, HE made it clear salvation is a one-time event.

/Jhn 13:10 Jesus said to him, “**He who has bathed** (*louō*) needs **only to wash** (*niptō)***his feet**; otherwise **he is completely clean**. And you are clean—but not all *of you.*”

The clear statement of the bath of salvation is one time – they were all born again (except Judas). They needed to learn the rebound technique, because the dirt of the world and our OSN needs habitual attention.\

LOU-OH- is written in perfect tense, which means one and done – done perfectly.

NIP-TOE – is written in an Aorist tense which means it has happened or is happening – the insinuation within the verb, is that it is something you do and do regularly.

The last part of the statement means – otherwise the Bel is clean, that means salvation is a one-time washing. A regeneration, after that we keep short accounts with the filth of the OSN and the devil’s world.

 REPEAT

Remember the book of Hebrews addresses predominantly Jewish Bels. Many of whom the rituals of the Sanhedrin still were a natural reflex for them.

Religion is hard to shake once it is allowed a place within your soul.

This was written around 67 AD, prior to the fall of Jerusalem in 70 AD.

Many theologians considered it a final warning for the Jews of Jerusalem to get their act together.

This is written in a serious command form, because of all the religious nonsense and legalism, they were still trying to add into Christianity.

/Heb 6:1 Therefore leaving the elementary teaching about the Christ, let us **press on to maturity, not laying again a foundation of repentance** from **dead works** and of faith toward God,

Laying a foundation – present tense, they kept being stuck in salvation concepts and basic doctrines. Many were trying to add into salvation. Others were assuming loss of salvation, so as to keep coming back to the salvation gate!\

When confuses arises about eternal security, works programs and religious dogma usually follow.

Some of these Jewish Bels in Jerusalem were baptizing in water repeatedly almost as form of repentance.

Laying on of hands, concerning blessing and elevating one another.

/[Heb 6:2](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/heb/6/2/s_1139002) of **instruction about washings and laying on of hands**, and about the **resurrection** of the dead and **eternal judgment.**

One of areas of confusion was revolving around whether they remain born again if they sin, or if they were pure enough. Many had incorporated rituals of Judaism into this new Christianity.\

Believers who are confident in the person and work of TLJC, do not question whether they will face the Great White Throne Judgment - or if they will have a resurrected body.

[Heb 6:3](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/heb/6/3/s_1139003) And this we will do, if God permits.

Now verse 4 into verse 6 is one large sentence.

[Heb 6:4](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/heb/6/4/s_1139004) For it is impossible, in the case of those who have once been enlightened and have tasted of the heavenly gift and have been made partakers of the Holy Spirit,

/The reference here is pointing out Jewish Bels who have now gone back into religious dogma and are closer to being apostate than simply confused Christians. These are Bels who have blasphemed the work of Christ on the cross and have now led others into false teaching on salvation.\

[Heb 6:5](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/heb/6/5/s_1139005) and have tasted the good word of God and the powers of the age to come,

/[Heb 6:6](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/heb/6/6/s_1139006) and *then* **have fallen away,** to restore them again to repentance, since **they again crucify to themselves** the Son of God and **put Him to open shame**.

This is a hard lesson on religion twisting and distorting itself into the teaching of the truth of the Gospel of Christ. This is setting a warning of dire consequences to those promoting the lies.\

A Believer and especially a teacher or leader, who continually crucifies themselves, in religious rituals and false doctrines, such as adding to the CROSS of Christ - is impossible to cleanse themselves and get back into the truth.

 REPEAT

The fact is, they are in a repetitive cycle of religious practices and doctrines of demons. That is what the reprimand is pointing too.

This is an apostate Bel who thinks they are in the right – they have fallen into a deep set of religious beliefs and refuse to focus back on the truth and Grace Plan of God the Father.

They refuse to adjust to the justice of God.

[Heb 6:7](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/heb/6/7/s_1139007) For ground that drinks the rain which often falls on it and produces vegetation useful to those for whose sake it is also tilled, receives a blessing from God;

The production of the Fruit of the Spirit is being highlighted here.

The blessing from GOD means a Super-grace life, one that ensures all crowns, blessings and rewards in the AGE to come!

We will also see something similar in John chapter 15 if I can get to it today.

The question is, what are you producing Believer? What are absorbing and producing?

Especially those in Jerusalem at this time who had a strong influence on others or were in positions of church leadership.

/[Heb 6:8](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/heb/6/8/s_1139008) but if it yields thorns and thistles, **it is worthless and close to being cursed**, and it ends up **being burned.**

Meaning, the fruit is not approved and close to becoming condemned. The focus is on the FRUIT.\

We will actually be looking into the doctrine of thorns very soon!

The original language has it much closer to this;

/*Heb 6:8 But that which bears thorns and briars, is reproved (adokimos), and is near (engys) onto cursing, whose end is to be burned*.

The fruit is bad, these Bels were taught BD and have accepted and applied doctrines of demons instead. They have no fruit of the SPIRIT and are close to destruction (wood, hay and stubble).\

AH-DOCKY-MUS, means to be rejected or to have no true value, it is worthless.

EN-GOOSE, meaning close at hand, nearby or almost at capacity.

What are they close too, what type of destruction are they heading toward??

/1Cor 3:12 Now if anyone builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, **wood, hay, *or* straw**, 13 **each one’s work will become evident**; for the day will show it because it is *to be* **revealed with fire**, and the fire itself will test the quality of each one’s work.\

This is pointing to the Bema Seat Judgement of Christ, which occurs after the Rapture of the Church.

Before the wedding ceremony of the LAMB of God.

/[1Co 3:14](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/1co/3/14/s_1065014) If anyone’s work which he has built on it remains, **he will receive a reward**. 15 **If anyone’s work is burned** **up**, he will suffer loss; but **he himself will be saved,** yet *only* so as through fire.

 (John 15:1-8) \

The full context of the lesson is extremely important.

Meaning the whole chapter and subject matter, or key focus and how does that align with categories of doctrine in scripture. Also, what I tell you all the time, the subtleties of the original language matters as well.

The opening of John chapter 15, is directed right at spiritual growth and the fruit of the Spirit.

The whole chapter speaks to the apostles in the sense of becoming SM, they are the leaders who have to have maturity and produce fruit in their life.

Jhn 15:1 “I am the true vine, and My Father is the vinedresser.

**/**[Jhn 15:2](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/jhn/15/2/s_1012002) “**Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit**, **He takes away**; and every *branch* that bears fruit, HE prunes it so that it may bear more fruit.

God will not allow a Bel to go extremely negative without warning discipline and in the end, possibly the sin unto death, not LOSS OF SALVATION.\

[Jhn 15:3](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/jhn/15/3/s_1012003) “You are already clean because of the word which I have spoken to you.

These are the 11 Apostles being addressed, whom Christ knew were born again since the beginning of HIS ministry.

[Jhn 15:4](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/jhn/15/4/s_1012004) “Remain in Me, and I in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit of itself but must remain in the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in Me.

You remain in your union with Christ by walking in the two power options habitually.

We never lose that divine union, indwelling - yet we do lose fellowship and divine power by walking in the flesh.

[Jhn 15:5](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/jhn/15/5/s_1012005) “I am the vine, you are the branches; the one who remains in Me, and I in him bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing.

**/**[Jhn 15:6](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/jhn/15/6/s_1012006) “**If anyone does not remain in Me, he is thrown away** like a branch and **dries up**; and they gather them and **throw them into the fire, and they are burned.**

The Bel who has rejected BD and the plan of GOD so long they become dried up (discipline). They will face the sin unto death and have a barn fire at the Bema Seat Judgment of Christ.

 (1Cor 3:12) \

[Jhn 15:7](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/jhn/15/7/s_1012007) “If you remain in Me, and My words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.

[Jhn 15:8](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/jhn/15/8/s_1012008) “My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit, and *so* prove to be My disciples.