

## **The Hymn of Security, Part 2**

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### I. Introduction.

A. Text: Romans 8:35.

B. God's love is a love from which we cannot be separated. (Jeremiah 31:3, II Timothy 1:12)

### II. The truth of eternal security is that God keeps the believer.

A. The reason all things work for eternal good is that God called us.

B. God's power keeps us from all enemies. We are under God's protection. (I John 4:4, Psalm 91, Numbers 14:9, Deuteronomy 33:29, Joshua 10:42)

### III. If we understand the cross, we can understand what God will do to save us. (Romans 5:8, Psalm 32, Philippians 4:19, II Corinthians 9:8-7, Isaiah 50:8-9, Hebrews 9:7)

### IV. To deny the security of the believer is to deny the sufficiency of the work of Christ. (Hebrews 6:17)

### V. Nothing separates the believer from the love of Christ, not even persecution. (II Corinthians 11, 3:12)

A. Persecution merely shows who has salvation and who does not. (I John 2:19)

B. True believers are willing to take up the cross—they hold fast to the end. (Luke 9:57, John 8:31-32)

C. Believers are super-conquerors in trial because they come out better than they were before when all is said and done and there will be greater reward.

D. No circumstance in the universe can cause God to let go. There is security in the arms of the Savior.

### VI. Paul has a confident assurance that no created thing or anything that life throws at a person could separate him from Christ's love. (Galatians 1, Ephesians 6, John 17:23)

### **Application questions:**

1. In light of the message, which arguments do you think are strongest for eternal security?

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2. What implications does an understanding of what God gave on the cross have on eternal security?

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3. What impact does knowing that one's salvation is secure have on the daily life of the believer? Explain.

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