



## 1 Timothy 6:12-14

### The Fight for Our Eternal Lives

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## Views on Eternal Security

1. **Believers can lose their salvation** (free to choose)
2. **Believers can't lose their salvation** (therefore you can live any way you want)
3. **Believers can't lose their salvation** (because God enables them to persevere in the faith)

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## We Must Fight the "Good" Fight

### 1 Timothy 6:12

Fight the good fight **of faith**; take hold of the **eternal life** to which you were called, and you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.

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## Keep Christ's Commands

### 1 Timothy 6:13-14

I charge you in the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, **who testified the good confession before Pontius Pilate, 14** that **you keep the commandment without stain or reproach** until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ,

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### Applications

1. We must understand the importance of confessing Christ before men.
2. True believers must remain in the faith and not depart from Christ.
3. We must live our lives in submission to the terms of the New Covenant.

### The Importance of Confessing Christ

#### **Matthew 10:32-33**

Therefore **everyone who confesses Me before men**, I will also confess him before My Father who is in heaven. **33** "But whoever denies Me before men, I will also deny him before My Father who is in heaven."

### The Importance of Confessing Christ

#### **John 14:26**

But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and **bring to your remembrance all that I said to you.**

#### **John 15:26**

When the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, that is the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, **He will testify about Me...**

### The Importance of Confessing Christ

#### **Acts 4:2**

being greatly disturbed because they were **teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection from the dead.**

#### **Acts 8:5**

Philip went down to the city of Samaria and began **proclaiming Christ to them.**

## We Must “Remain” in Christ

### 1 John 2:24

As for you, let that abide in you which you heard from the beginning. **If what you heard from the beginning abides in you, you also will abide in the Son and in the Father.**

## We Remain in Christ by Faith

### Romans 8:24-25

For in **hope** we have been saved, but hope that is seen is not hope; for who hopes for what he already sees? 25 **But if we hope for what we do not see, with perseverance we wait eagerly for it.**

### Hebrews 11:1

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, **the conviction of things not seen.**

## Live According to the New Covenant

### Hebrews 2:2-3

For if the word spoken through angels proved unalterable, and every transgression and disobedience received a just penalty, 3 **how will we escape if we neglect so great a salvation?** After it was at the first spoken through the Lord, it was confirmed to us by those who heard...