

**Once Saved, Always
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What is the doctrine?

- John Calvin
 - Total Depravity
 - Unconditional Election
 - Limited Atonement
 - Irresistible Grace
 - Perseverance of the Saints

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- The Westminster Confession of Faith

- "They whom God hath accepted in his Beloved, effectually called and sanctified by his Spirit, can neither totally nor finally fall away from the state of grace: but shall certainly persevere therein to the end, and be eternally saved."

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- Standard Manual for Baptist Churches
 - By Edward T Hiscox
 - "We believe the Scriptures teach that such as are truly regenerate, being born of the Spirit, will not utterly fall away and perish, but will endure unto the end; that their persevering attachment to Christ is the grand mark which distinguishes them from superficial professors; that a special Providence watches over their welfare; and that they are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation"

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- Sam Morris
 - Tract titled, “Do A Christian’s Sins Damn His Soul?”
 - “We take the position that a Christian's sins do not damn his soul. The way a Christian lives, what he says, his character, his conduct, or his attitude toward other people have nothing whatever to do with the salvation of his soul...all the sins he may commit from idolatry to murder will not make his soul in any more danger.”

What is the doctrine?

- Once one is saved, they cannot lose their salvation.
- **Romans 4:3** – What does the scripture say?

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- **3:7-19**
 - In bondage → Saved → Rebelled → Did not enter his rest (v.18)

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 - **Hebrews 6:4-6** – Once enlightened can fall away

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- Command to remove sin from our life
 - **Romans 6:1-2,15** – We are not to continue in sin
- Encouragement to grow spiritually
 - **2 Peter 1:5-11** – Add these elements, so you will not be barren or unfruitful in the knowledge of Christ
- Encouragement and instruction on how to live
 - **1 Thessalonians 5:21-22** – Hold fast what is good and abstain from every form of evil
 - **Titus 2:12** – Deny ungodliness and worldly lust and live soberly, righteously and godly

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