

Gospel Assurance & Warnings

Recovering the Gospel Series

Lesson #7: “Remaining in the Church” and “Confessing Christ”

□ Read Chapters **nine** & **ten** and answer the following questions from pages 87-104.

1 John 2:19 ‘They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would have continued with us; but they went out that they might be made manifest, that none of them were of us.’

1. Why are people called ‘antichrists’ in **1 John 2:18-19**?
2. What is the historical understanding of the doctrine of the perseverance of the saints?
3. What four things do we need to have a biblical understanding of the perseverance of the saints?
4. Why is the undoing of one’s salvation considered impossible?
5. What does it mean that we are God’s workmanship as stated in **Ephesians 2:10**?
6. Salvation will _____ fail, for it is not designed to _____ or reveal _____ faithfulness and power, but _____!
7. What does the perseverance of the saints not teach?
8. List three reasons why claiming salvation without noticeable sanctification is not biblical?

9. Why did the people in **1 John 2:19** fall away?

10. How have churches failed those who attend?

11. What are the three errors that false teachers proclaim from the opening passages on page 97?

12. What did the 'Gnostics' claim regarding knowledge?

13. What did the Gnostics deny regarding Jesus Christ and why?

14. List the three vital reasons that Christ must be the God-Man?

15. What is the distinguishing mark of any cult regarding Christ's person?

Quote: "Although God's work of salvation is for man, man's well-being is not its highest good or chief end. Although it is a hard saying for modern man and even the contemporary evangelical, the chief end of all things is the glory of God through the revelation of His character and power. In other words, God does all that He does in order that His greatness and glory might be revealed to His creation."

Quote: "God does not save and then abandon. He does not adopt and then neglect. He is not a derelict Father. He is not an impotent crafter who cannot finish the work He has begun."

Quote: "Yes, the doctrine affirms that God keeps those He saves, but it also affirms that He transforms those He keeps."