

Preserved by the power of God.

1 Peter 1:3-5 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, 4 to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, 5 who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. (NKJ)

1) Abundant mercy.

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Ephesians 2:4 But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, (NKJ)

Titus 3:5 not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit, (NKJ)

2) Has begotten us again.

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1 Peter 1:23 having been born again, not of [a]corruptible seed but incorruptible, through the word of God which lives and abides [c]forever, (NKJ)

Romans 10:17 So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. (NKJ)

3) A living hope.

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1 Peter 1:21 who through Him believe in God, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God. (NKJ)

4) Inheritance.

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Matthew 25:34 Then the King will say to those on His right hand, 'Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: (NKJ)

Ephesians 1:14 who[a] is the [b]guarantee of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, to the praise of His glory. (NKJ)

5) Kept by the power of God.

1 Peter 1:5 who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. (NKJ)

Romans 8:38-39 For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. (NKJ)

Ephesians 2:8 For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, (NKJ)

Matthew 24:13 But he who endures to the end shall be saved. (NKJ)

Matthew 24:12 And because lawlessness will abound, the love of many will grow cold. (NKJ)

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Romans 5:10 For since our friendship with God was restored by the death of his Son while we were still his enemies, we will certainly be saved through the life of his Son. (NLT).

Hebrews 9:28 so Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many; and he will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for him. (NIV)

What about those people who call themselves Christians but leave the church and never come

back?

1 John 2:19 These people left our churches, but they never really belonged with us; otherwise they would have stayed with us. When they left, it proved that they did not belong with us.  
(NLT)

Jude 24 Now to Him who is able to keep [a]you from stumbling, And to present you faultless Before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy, (NKJ)

Those who do fall away from Christ give conclusive proof that they were never truly believers to begin with.

2 Timothy 2:12 If we endure, We shall also reign with Him. If we deny Him, He also will deny us.  
(NKJ)