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Eternal security

Ending life by suicide

Eternal conscious torment vs. annihilation



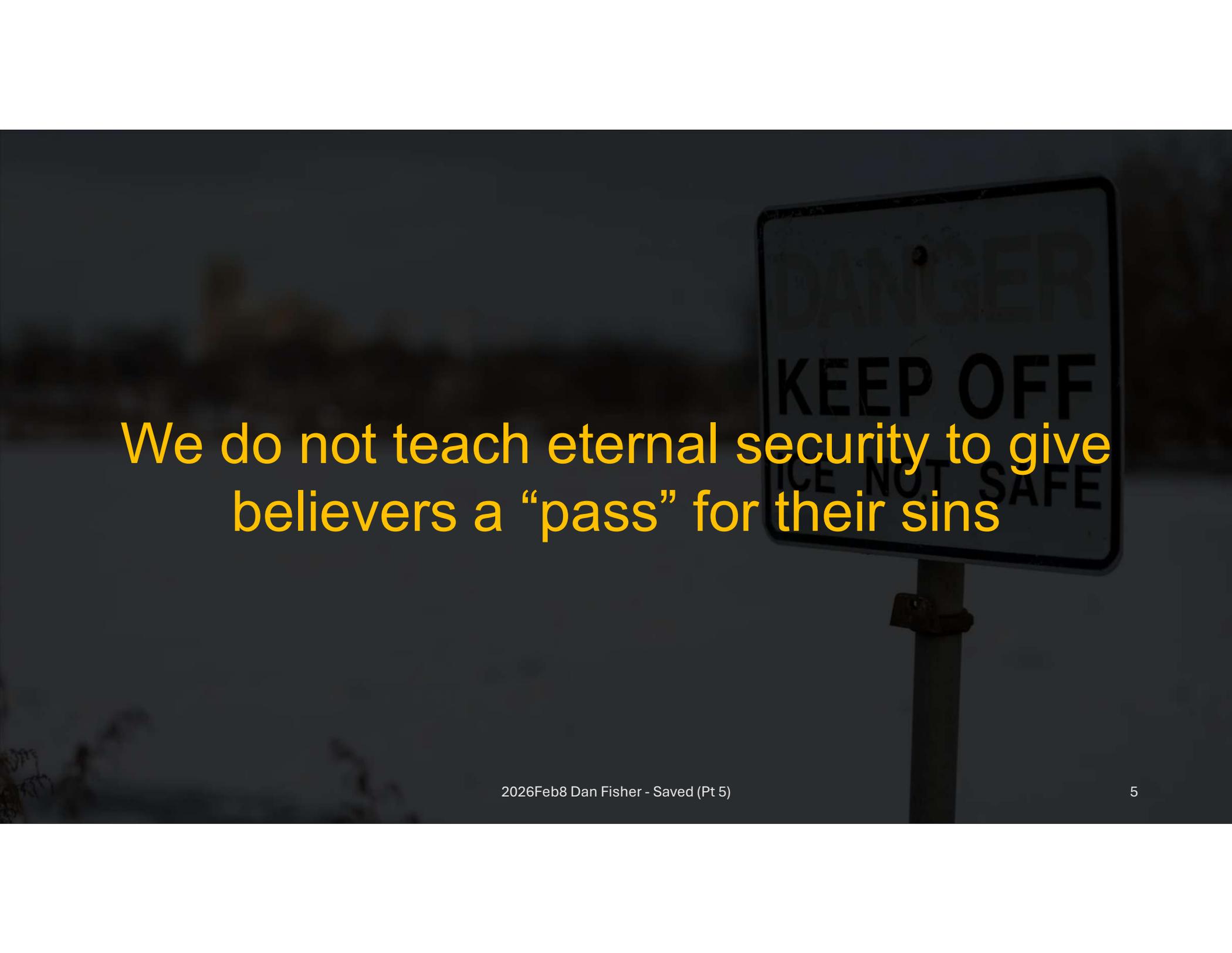
Eternal Security



Pt. 5: Is a believer secure in salvation or can they lose it?



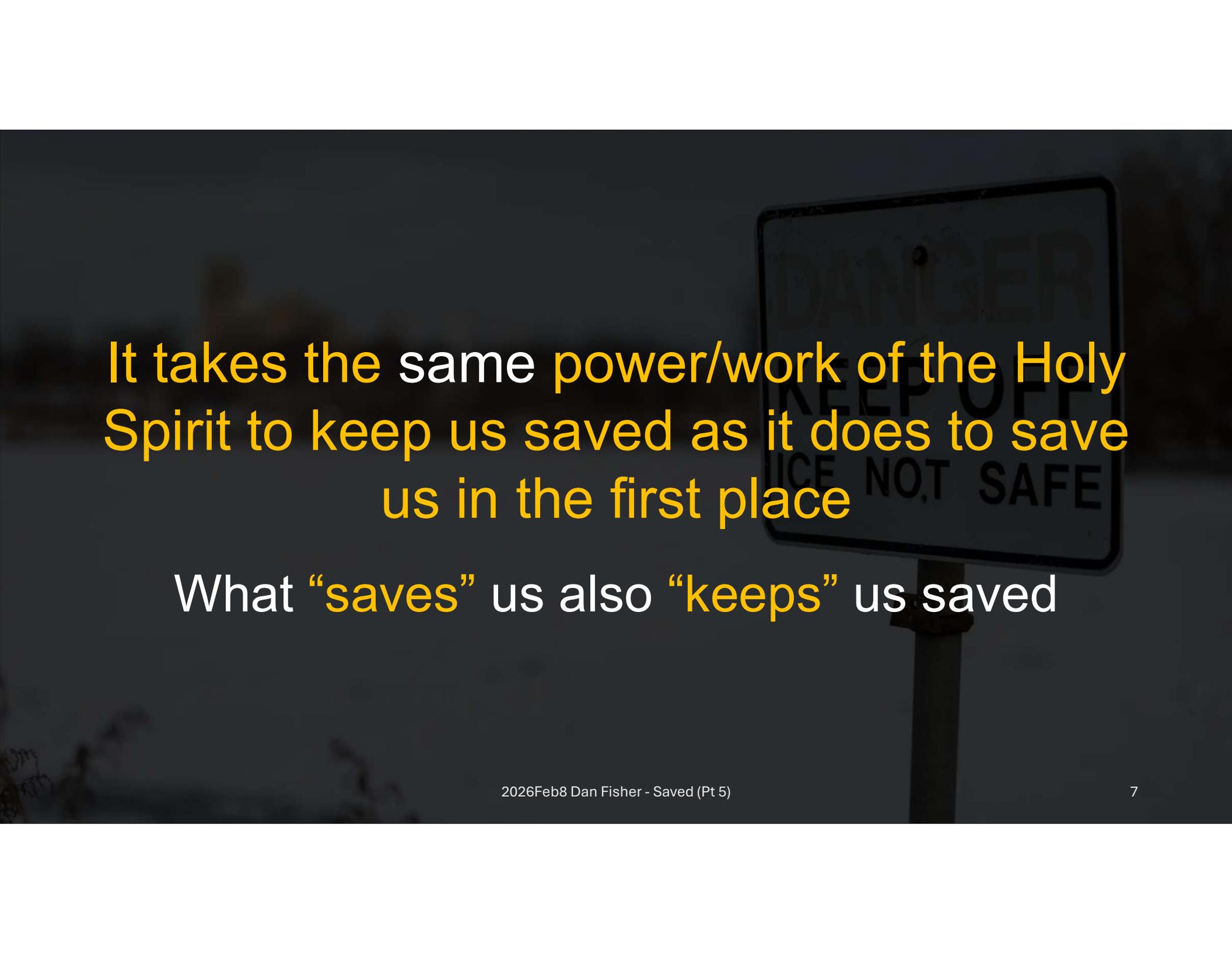
A few initial thoughts...



We do not teach eternal security to give
believers a “pass” for their sins

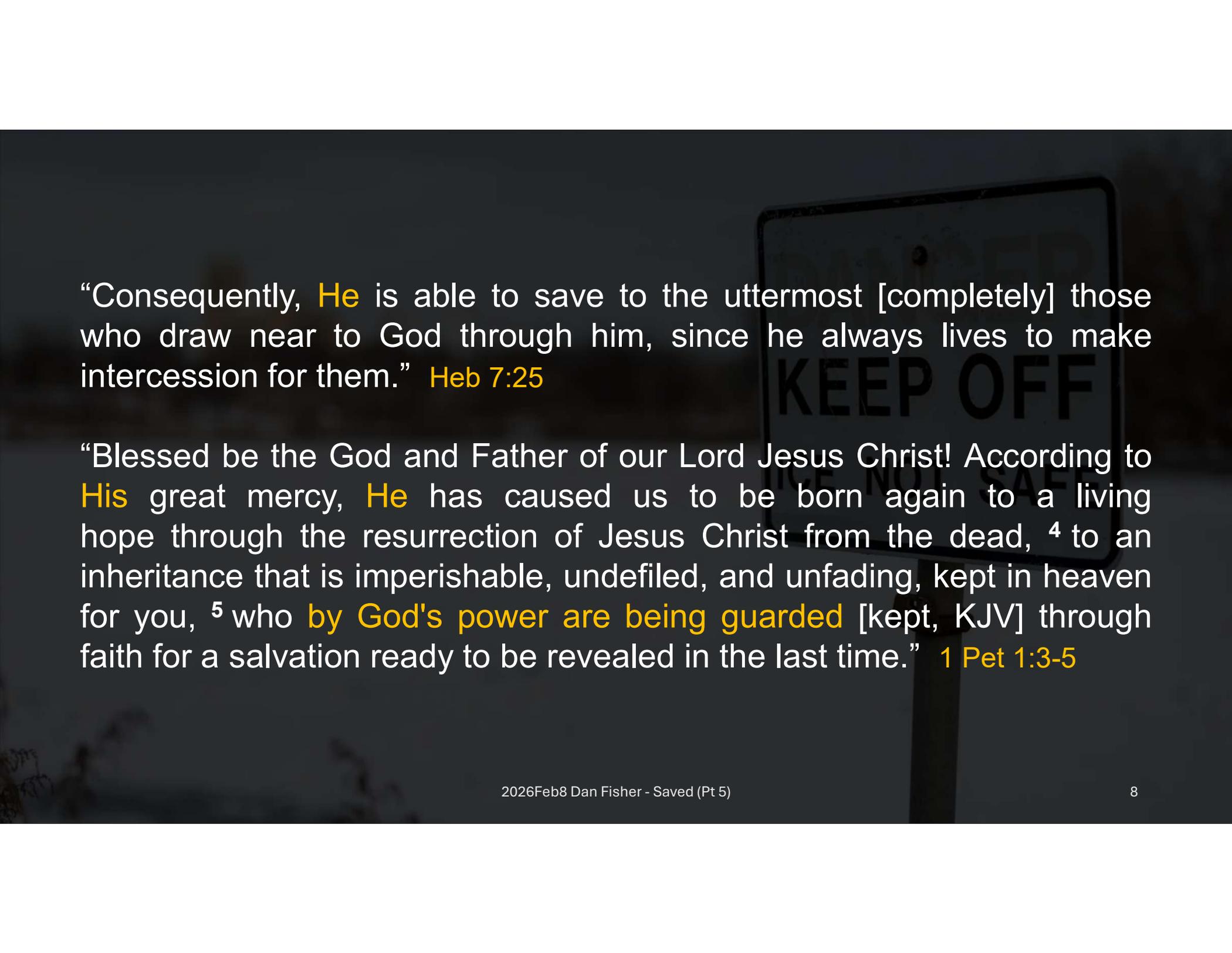


If we can lose our salvation, we will



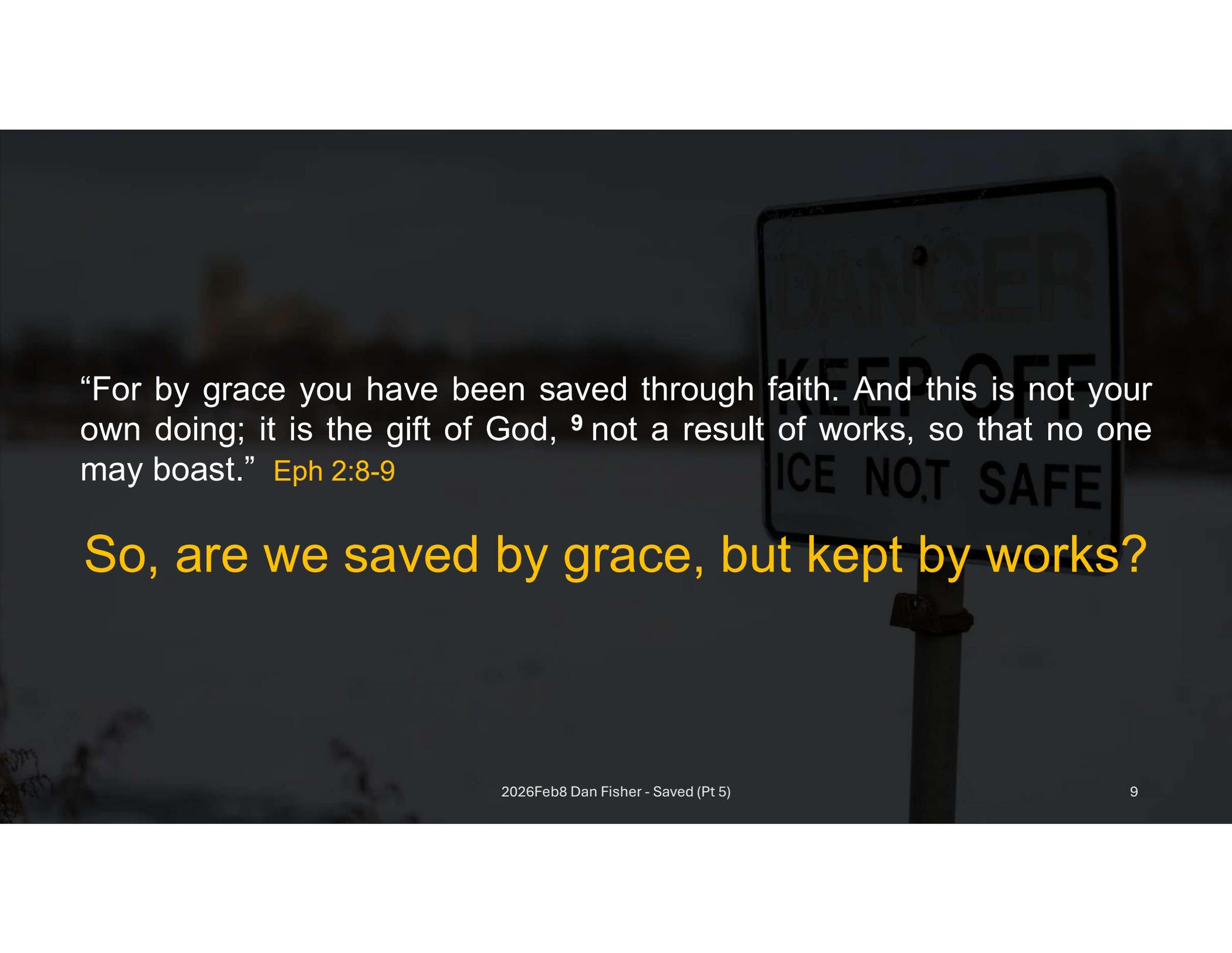
It takes the same power/work of the Holy Spirit to keep us saved as it does to save us in the first place

What “saves” us also “keeps” us saved

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“Consequently, **He** is able to save to the uttermost [completely] those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.” **Heb 7:25**

“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to **His** great mercy, **He** has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴ to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵ who **by God's power are being guarded** [kept, KJV] through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.” **1 Pet 1:3-5**

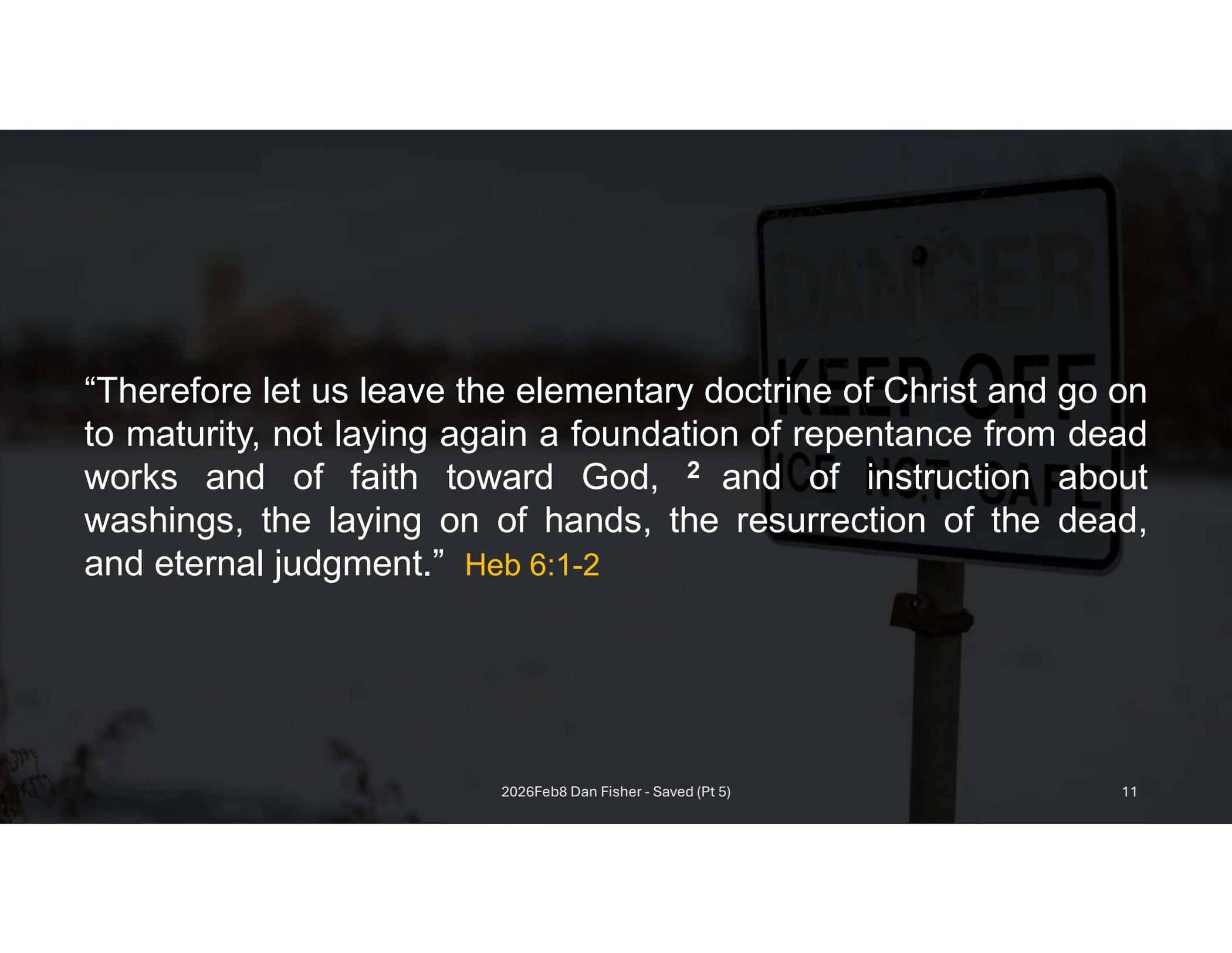
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“For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹ not a result of works, so that no one may boast.” Eph 2:8-9

So, are we saved by grace, but kept by works?



If we cannot know that we are secure in our salvation, we cannot move forward and grow in our salvation.

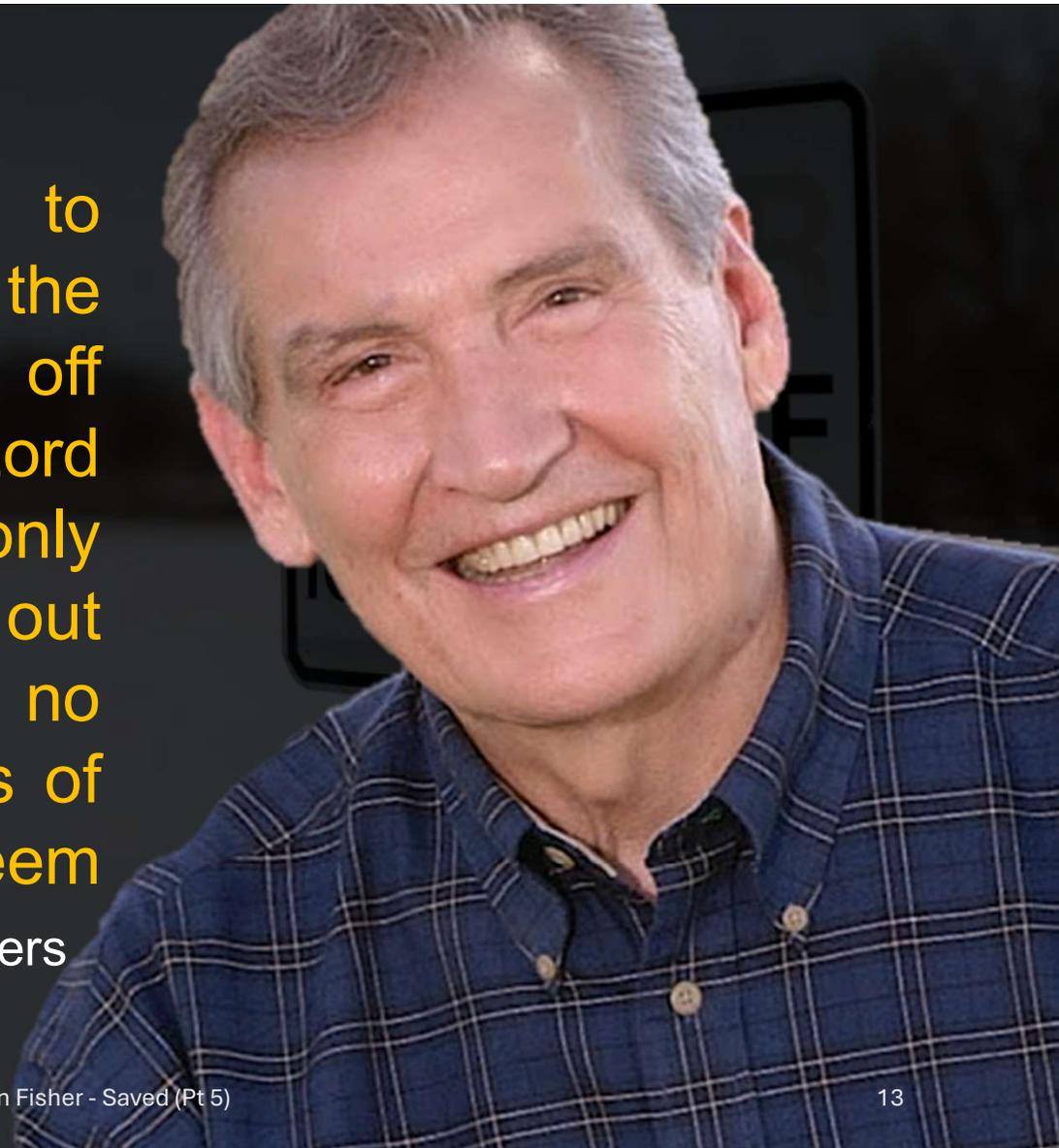
A dark, atmospheric photograph of a 'KEEP OFF' sign on a post. The sign is rectangular with a black border and the words 'KEEP OFF' in large, bold, black letters. Below it, the words 'ICE NOT SAFE' are partially visible. The sign is mounted on a dark post. The background is a dark, blurry landscape, possibly a snowy or icy area, with some faint lights in the distance.

“Therefore let us leave the elementary doctrine of Christ and go on to maturity, not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God, ² and of instruction about washings, the laying on of hands, the resurrection of the dead, and eternal judgment.” **Heb 6:1-2**

What does Scripture mean when it speaks of us being saved?



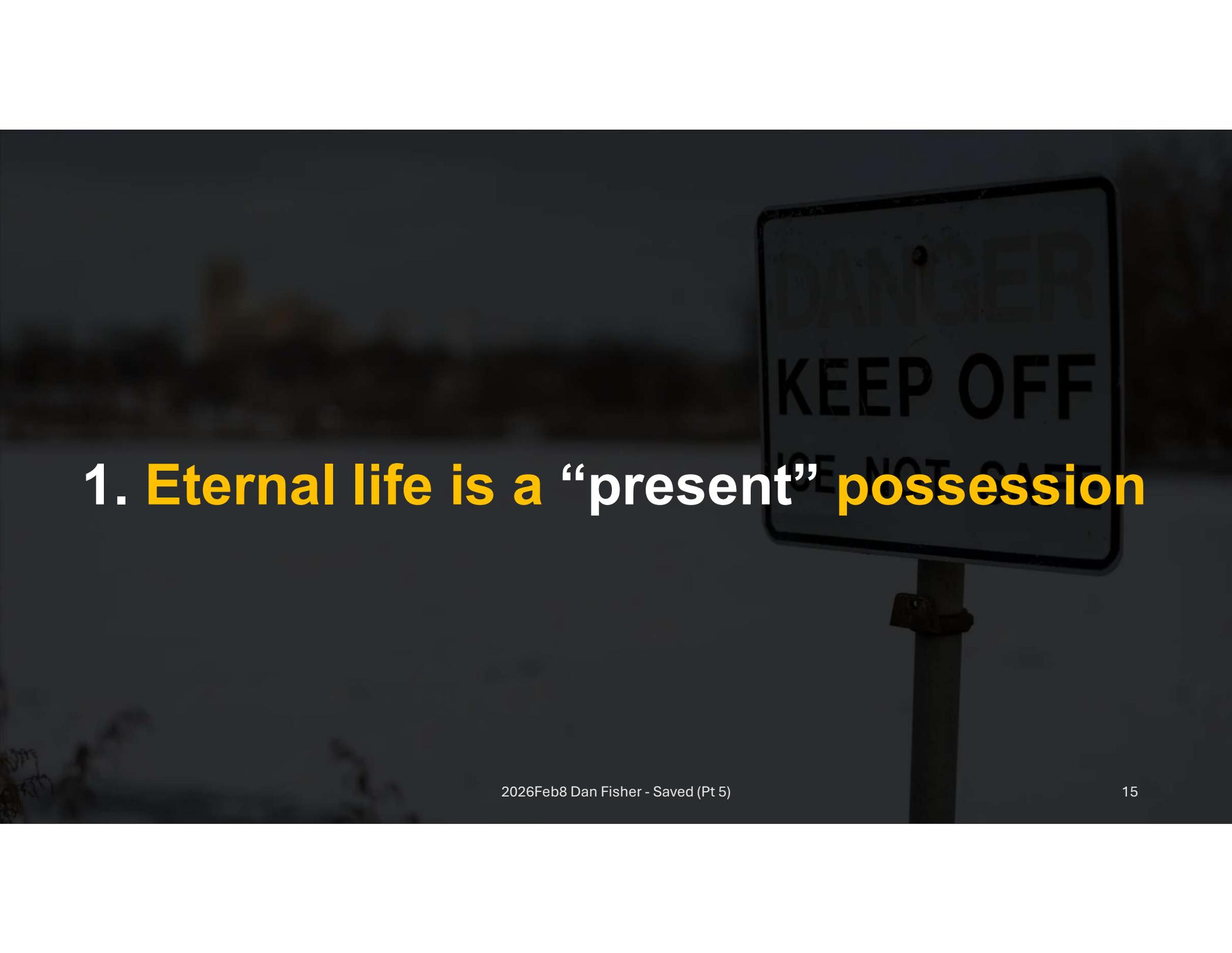
“The word *redeem* means to buy or to take out of the marketplace, that is, to take off the slave block. When our Lord redeemed us, He not only bought us, He also took us out of the marketplace. We’re no longer for sale. That speaks of our eternal security. Redeem means to set free.” Adrian Rogers





We are saved from:

- the **penalty** of sin – **justification**
- the **power** of sin – **sanctification**
- the **presence** of sin – **glorification**



1. Eternal life is a “present” possession

“Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes **has** eternal life.” **Jn 6:47**

“I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you **have** eternal life. ¹⁴ And this is the confidence that we have toward him ...” **1 Jn 5:13-14**



2. When we're saved, we're “sealed”

“And it is God who establishes us with you in Christ, and has anointed us, ²² and who has also put his seal on us and given us his Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee.” **2 Cor 1:21-22**

“In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, ¹⁴ who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.” **Eph 1:13-14**

“And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.” **Eph 4:30**



3. **Once we're saved, nothing can separate us from Jesus**

“All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out.” **Jn 6:37**

“I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹ My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand.” **Jn 10:28-29**

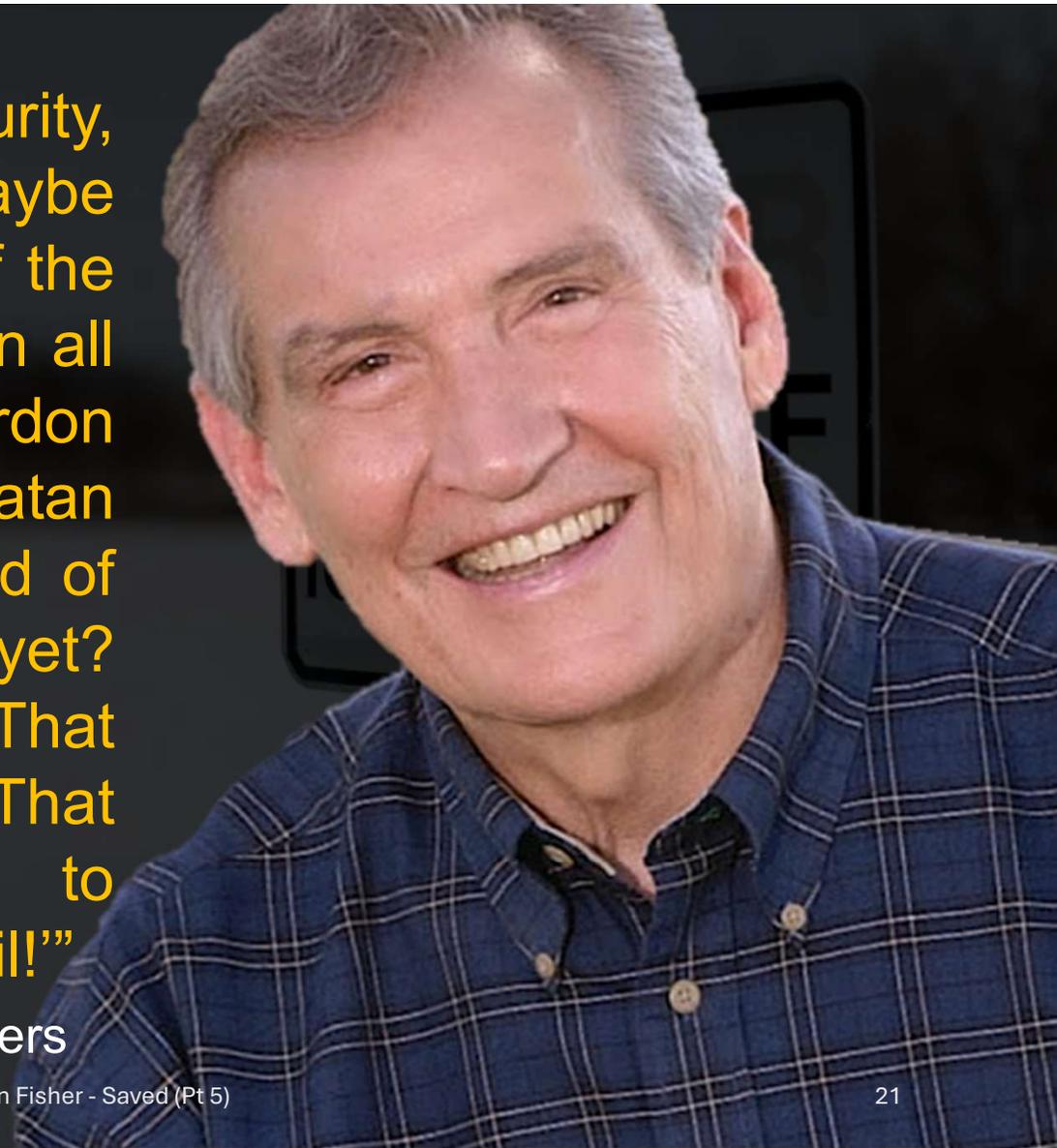
“Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? ... ³⁸ For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹ nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.” **Rom 8:35-39**

“When I talk about eternal security, inevitably I will hear, ‘Well, maybe your sins can’t take you out of the hand of God, but Satan can.’ In all due respect, I respond, ‘Pardon me, but that is foolishness. If Satan could take you out of the hand of God, why hasn’t he done it yet? Hasn’t he been nice to you? That would be a strange doctrine. That would mean you’re going to heaven by the grace of the devil!’”

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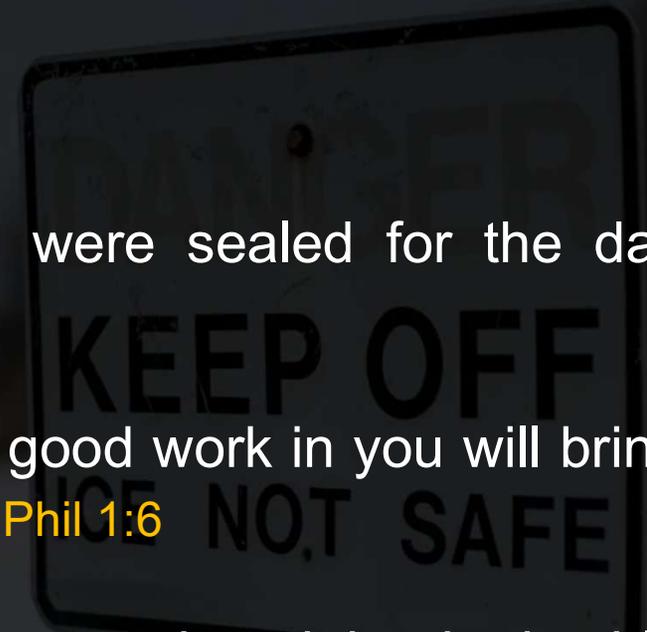


4. Jesus will finish the work He started in us

“... the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.” Eph 4:30

“And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.” Phil 1:6

“... for I know whom I have believed, and I am convinced that he is able to guard until that day what has been entrusted to me [what I have entrusted to him; *Greek* – my deposit].” 2 Tim 1:12





5. **God** keeps **us from** falling

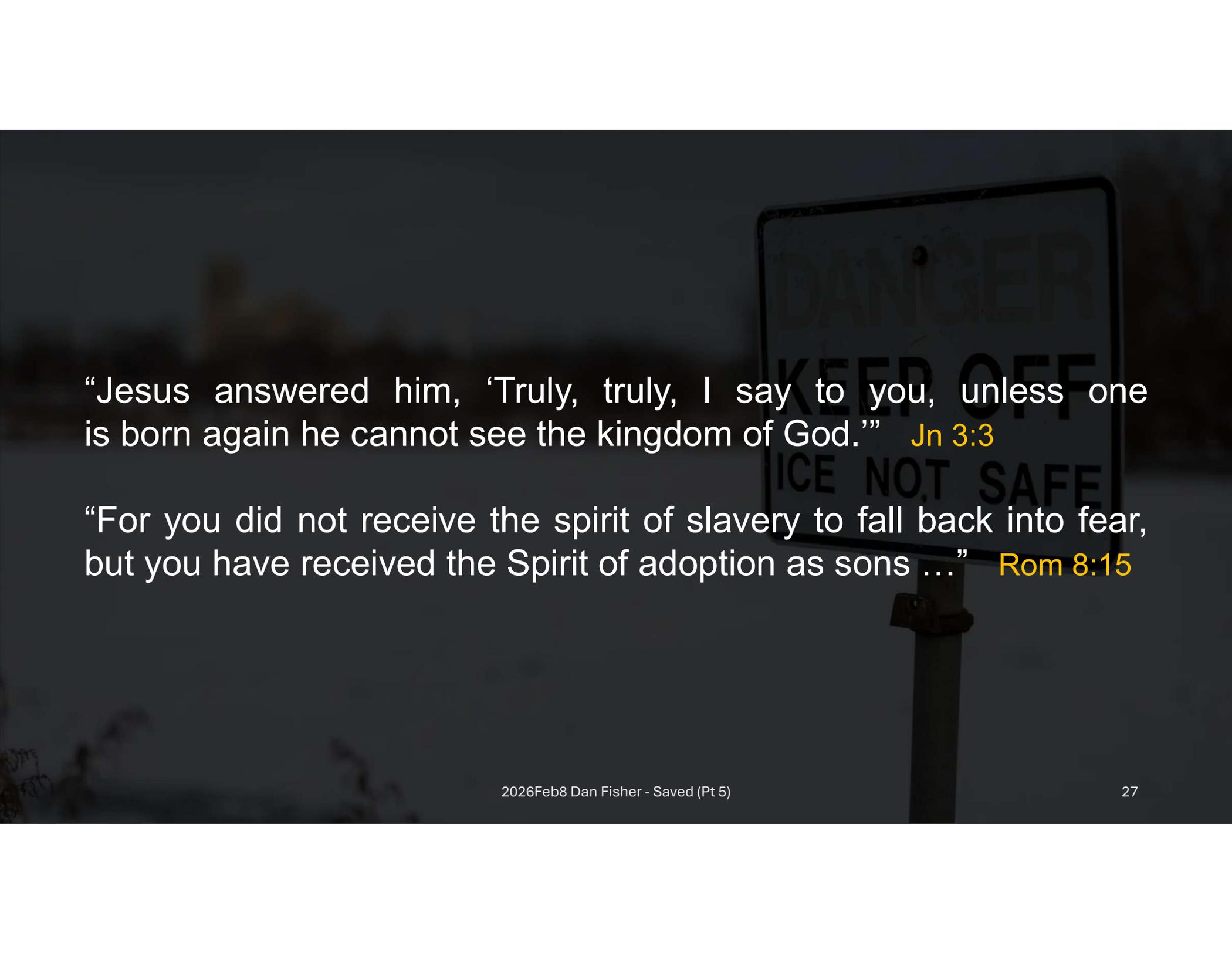
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“Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy,”

Jude 24



6. Scripture makes no mention of being born again “again” or of being “un-adopted”



“Jesus answered him, ‘Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.’” **Jn 3:3**

“For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons ...” **Rom 8:15**



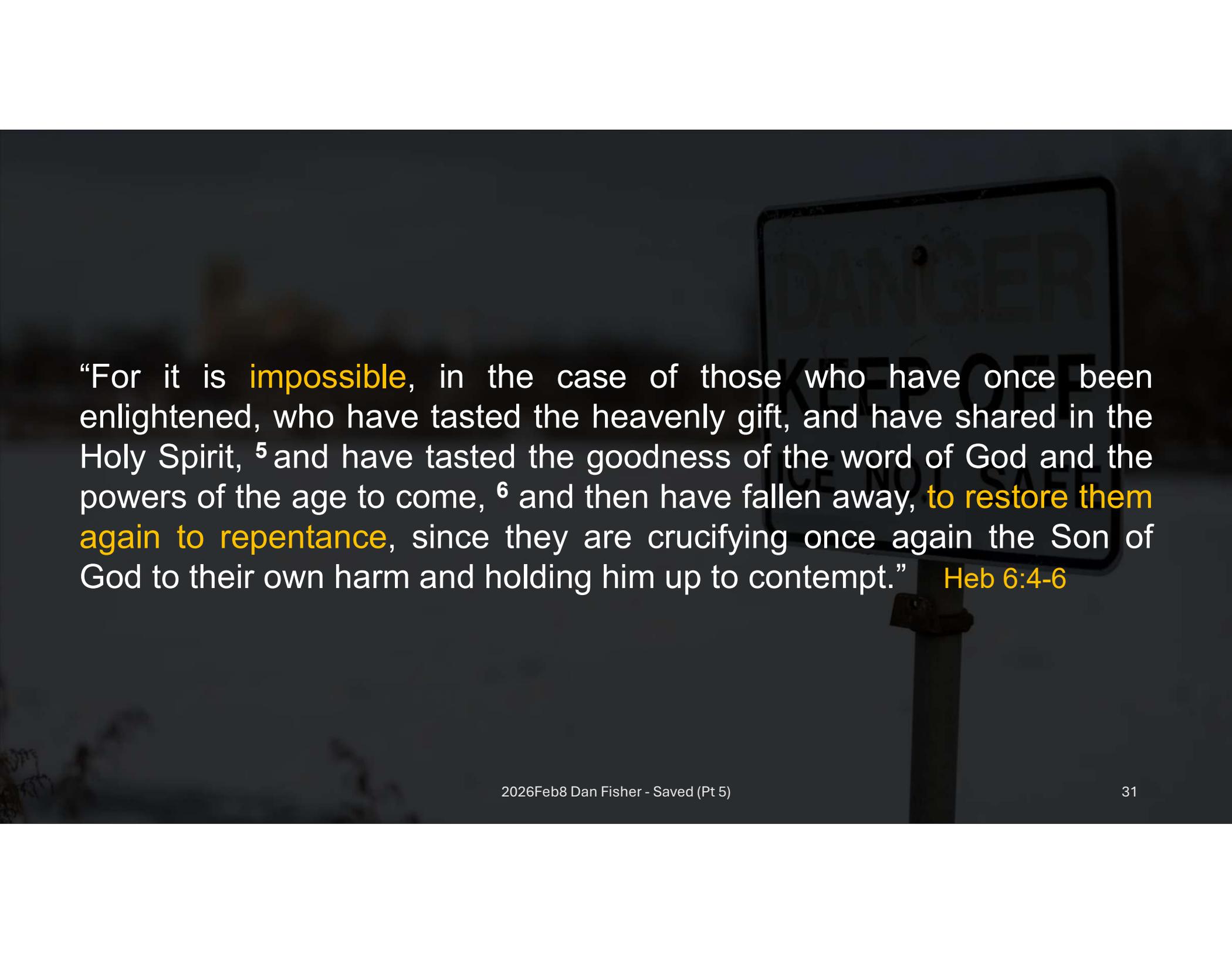
7. Being born again “again” would require Christ’s re-crucifixion

“... and then have fallen away, to restore them again to repentance, since they are **crucifying once again** the Son of God to their own harm and holding him up to contempt.” **Heb 6:6**

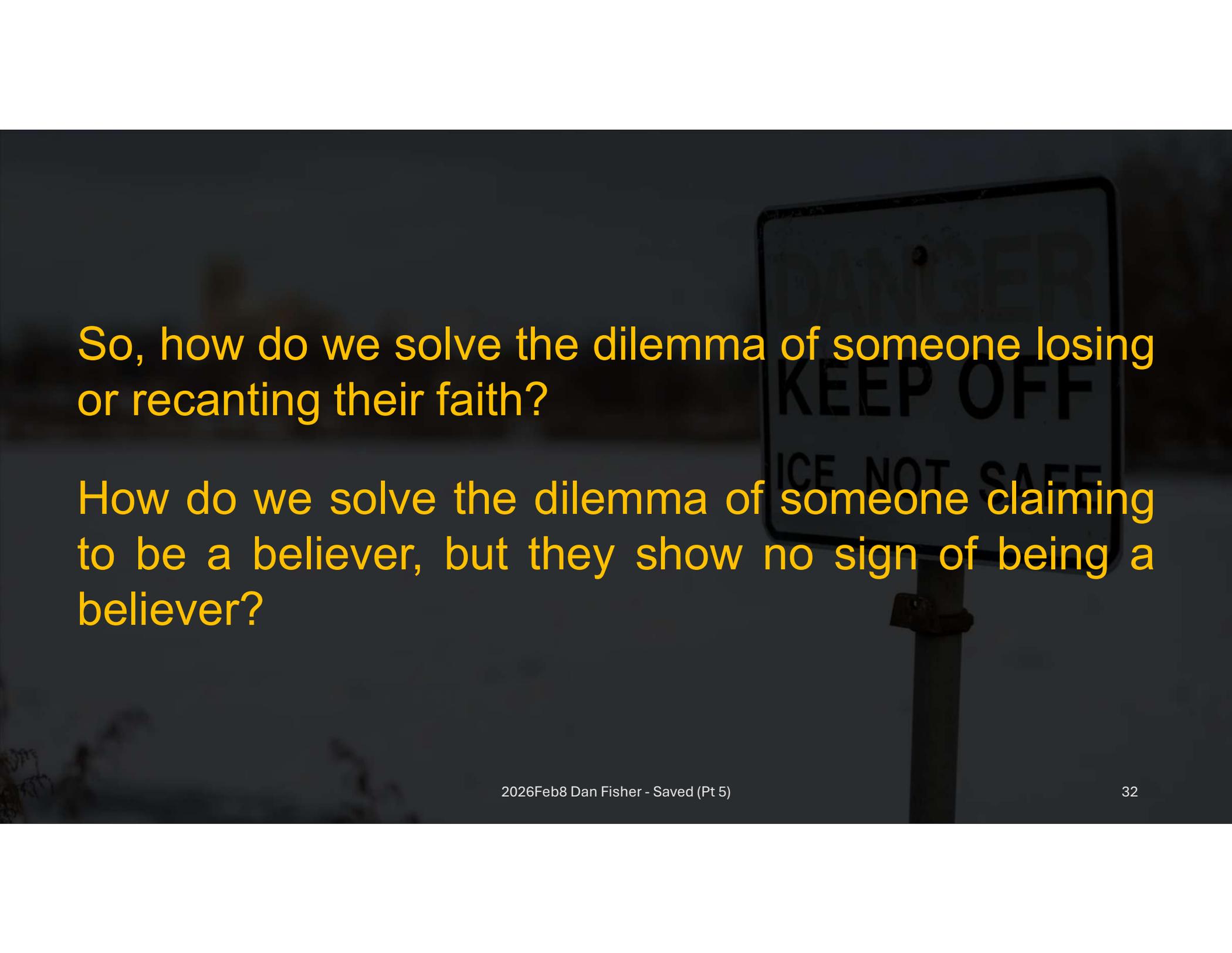
Passages that teach Jesus will die for sin only once:
(Rom 6:6-11; Heb 9:26-28; 10:10)



8. **If salvation can be lost, it cannot be regained**

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“For it is **impossible**, in the case of those who have once been enlightened, who have tasted the heavenly gift, and have shared in the Holy Spirit, ⁵ and have tasted the goodness of the word of God and the powers of the age to come, ⁶ and then have fallen away, **to restore them again to repentance**, since they are crucifying once again the Son of God to their own harm and holding him up to contempt.” **Heb 6:4-6**



So, how do we solve the dilemma of someone losing or recanting their faith?

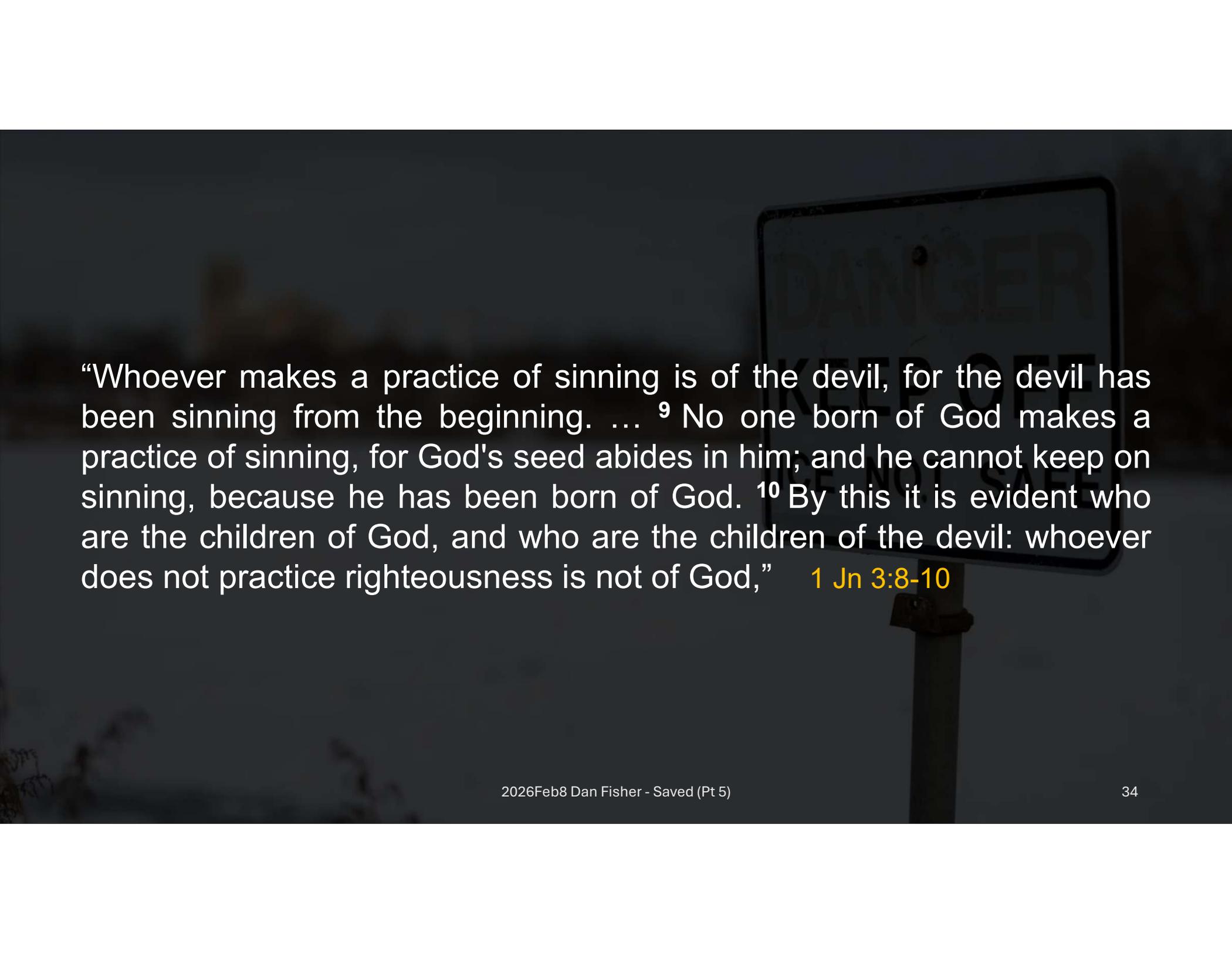
How do we solve the dilemma of someone claiming to be a believer, but they show no sign of being a believer?

“If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth.” 1 Jn 1:6

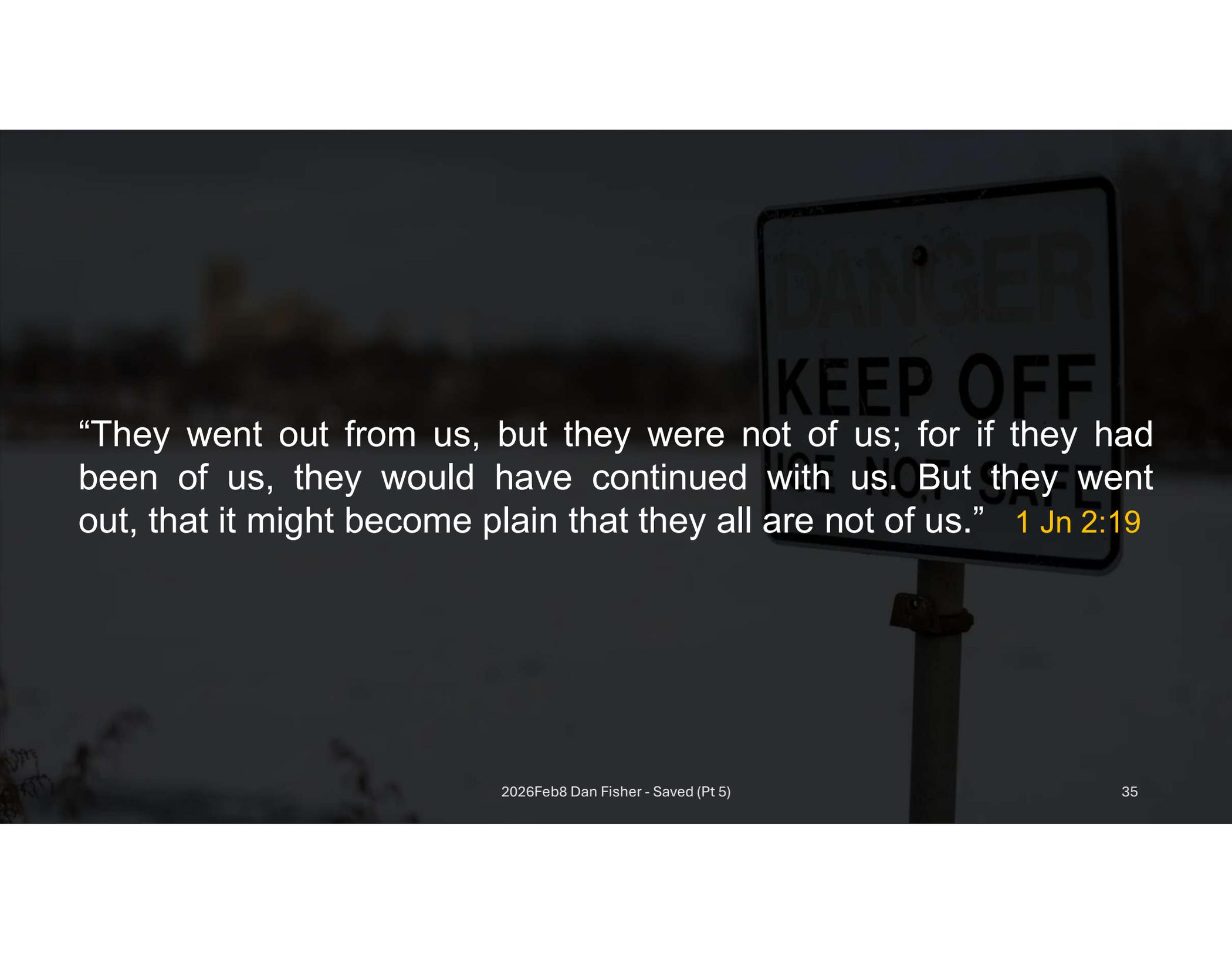
“Whoever says ‘I know him’ but does not keep his commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him,” 1 Jn 2:4

“No one who abides in him keeps on sinning; no one who keeps on sinning has either seen him or known him.” 1 Jn 3:6



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“Whoever makes a practice of sinning is of the devil, for the devil has been sinning from the beginning. ... ⁹ No one born of God makes a practice of sinning, for God's seed abides in him; and he cannot keep on sinning, because he has been born of God. ¹⁰ By this it is evident who are the children of God, and who are the children of the devil: whoever does not practice righteousness is not of God,” **1 Jn 3:8-10**



“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 it might become plain that they all are not of us.” **1 Jn 2:19**