

“Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.” 1 Peter 1:5 KJV



If you had to keep something safe where would YOU put it? What is the most secure place on earth? The true answer is: No place on earth is 100% safe, and if you sent it out into space, how would you access it when needed? The most secure vault is not impervious to time and decay. What thieves cannot steal, decay will rot over time. The power to protect is the power to destroy. God’s Word tells us, *“There is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God.”* No power in earth or heaven is there but by God’s will and Word. Not even Satan operates outside of God-given abilities. *“I am the LORD, and there is none else. I form the light, and create darkness: I make peace, and create evil: I the LORD do all these things.”* There is no battle between God and evil! God is its Creator and destroyer! He allows Satan to do what Satan does to expose wicked men for who they are, to manifest His power, and to extend mercy and grace to those who will turn to Him and forsake wickedness. He doesn’t want love out of a sense of duty and fear, He wants you to choose to love Him out of your own desire to be with Him! For lovers to be lovers the attraction must be mutual, but one always initiates the first move. You remember in school when someone whispered to you another person liked you? How that immediately focused your attention on that person? And how your feelings for that person suddenly changed? You may not have even noticed them before, but suddenly they became the center of your life. God has proclaimed His Love for you in Word and deed and His Word rightly declares, *“We love Him, because He first loved us.”* Love has been initiated towards you by the omnipotent Jehovah through declaration, His Word; by demonstration, His death, burial, and resurrection; and by daily sustenance. Men who have spurned the eternal Love of God in favor of their own mortal lusts, damn themselves to remain in the condemnation into which they were born! God seeks to *“save that which was lost,”* but will only save those willing to come to Him! He does not force salvation upon anyone. If you choose to remain in condemnation, He will leave you there. Those who come through faith and trust in His Word are forever secured by the power that created the *“heavens and the earth!”*

God’s Word secures and keeps me safe.
It’s not my deeds or fickle fate,
His Word forms worlds and whispers peace,
Gives endless life twill never cease! ~CGP

Believers are not kept by their good deeds or destroyed by their bad. It is not our diligence or lack of it that keeps our souls. It is not prayer or lack thereof that endears you to God. He loved you before you knew Him! It matters only that we trust and obey. If we sin, *“we have an advocate with the Father. If we confess our sins He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”* Notice, we do not cleanse ourselves, but by confession we appropriate unto ourselves the cleansing of God. What is the power that keeps? *“For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ: For IT is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth. For it is God which worketh in you, both to will and to do of His good pleasure.”* What you believe determines your eternal destiny!

*“For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that, NOT OF YOURSELVES, it is the gift of God.”
Ephesians 2:8 KJV*