

# **EARTHQUAKES & ONCE SAVED-ALWAYS SAVED!**

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**Earthquakes (Matt. 24:7):**

- 1. Are earthquakes really more frequent today, or more violent—or just better reported?**
- 2. Are mountains today really a testimony to God's great Creative power—or just the natural result of plate tectonics?**
- 3. Rev. 7:1-3—Is God involved in keeping the physical world from getting worse?**
- 4. Rom. 8—What does it mean, that nature is groaning under sin?**
- 5. Rom. 1:18ff—Can you learn enough about God from nature alone to be saved? General Revelation vs. Special Revelation**
- 6. Should Christians, in the Last Days, move away from possible earthquake zones—or trust God to protect them, and stay to witness to the millions who still live there?**

**Once-Saved Always Saved:**

- 1. Read Matthew 24:10-13)—Is it possible to have a legitimate faith relationship with Jesus and then turn away from it?**
- 2. Why do some believe in “once-saved always saved”?**
  - a. John 10:28**
- 3. Do you have to be insane to reject God's offer of free, unlimited grace?**
- 4. Will God eventually save all?**
- 5. How can you “rest” in Jesus (Matt. 11:28-30) if you can still be lost?**
- 6. What does it mean to have “assurance of salvation” if you can still lose it?**
- 7. How should we understand—**
  - a. 1 John 5:12-13**
  - b. John 5:24**
  - c. Rom. 5:1**

8. What does EGW mean when she says no one should go around saying, "I am saved"?
9. How hard is it to be saved? Lost?
10. If someone turns away from God, does that mean they were never fully, truly converted in the first place?
11. Texts to consider:
  - a. Rev. 12:7-9 War in heaven, Satan cast out
  - b. Gen. 3—Garden of Eden
  - c. Heb. 6:4-6
  - d. Matt. 13—Parable of the sower
  - e. Rev. 2:4 Lost your first love
  - f. Rev. 2:10 Be thou faithful unto death
  - g. 1 Cor. 9:27 Paul, beat my body, lest be disqualified
  - h. Rev. 1:13 Alpha and Omega, First and Last, etc.
  - i. Phil. 1:6 Complete what begun
  - j. Col. 1:23 If you continue in the faith