Can salvation be lost? 46 scripture passages to consider this question.

Can Salvation be Lost? Dear Brother Kent Hovind, Please let me know if this changes your thoughts. Phone: 865-242-7541 tony walker.

These verses are not in any certain order but they seem to have a very sobering unity.

I rather be cautious and giving safe warning, rather than be giving leeway that might lead to death.

May God bless you as you search scripture to see what is true. Words in red are Jesus' words tony walker 1619 Bays Mtn. Rd., Knoxville, TN 37920

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Mark 13:13 And ye shall be hated of all *men* for my name's sake: but <u>he that shall endure unto the end, the same</u> shall be **Saved**.

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(in this sense one could say once saved always saved.)

Heb 6:4-6 For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost, 5 And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come, 6 If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put him to an open shame.

John 8:31 Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed;

(tw: I believe that until a person dies there is a hope of salvation by asking to be forgiven and turning away from sin. Scripture talks about a hardening of heart and not accepting the gift of salvation or not enduring unto the end, God is the judge and he knows our heart such as man cannot.)

Heb 3:6 But Christ as a son over his own house; whose house are we, if we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm unto the end.

Heb 3:12-14 Take heed, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief, in <u>departing from the living God</u>. But exhort one another daily, while it is called To day; <u>lest any of you be hardened</u> through the deceitfulness of sin.

14 For we are made partakers of Christ, if we hold the beginning of our confidence stedfast unto the end;

Heb 6:12-15 That ye <u>be not slothful, but followers</u> of them <u>who through faith and patience inherit the promises</u>. Heb 6:13 For when God made promise to Abraham, because he could swear by no greater, he sware by himself, Heb 6:14 Saying, Surely blessing I will bless thee, and multiplying I will multiply thee. Heb 6:15 And so, <u>after he had patiently endured</u>, he obtained the promise.

Heb 10:26-29 For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins, 27 But a certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries. 28 He that despised Moses' law died without mercy under two or three witnesses: 29 Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace?

John 8:32 And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free. John 17:17 Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth. John 17:19 And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth.

Rom 11:19-22 Thou wilt say then, The branches were broken off, that I might be graffed in. 20 Well; <u>because of unbelief they were broken off</u>, and <u>thou standest by faith</u>. Be not highminded, but fear: 21 For if God spared not the natural branches, <u>take heed lest he also spare not thee</u>. 22 Behold therefore the goodness and severity of God: on them which fell, severity; but toward thee, goodness, <u>if thou continue</u> in <u>his goodness</u>: <u>otherwise thou</u> also shalt be cut of

John 15:1-6 I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman. 2 Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit. 3 Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you. 4 Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me. 5 I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing. 6 If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned.

John 15:9-10 As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: <u>continue ye in my love</u>. 10 <u>If ye keep my commandments</u>, <u>ye shall abide in my love</u>; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love.

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col 1:21-23 And you, that were sometime alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now hath he reconciled 22 In the body of his flesh through death, to present you holy and unblameable and unreproveable in his sight: 23 If ye continue in the faith grounded and settled, and be not moved away from the hope of the gospel, which ye have heard, and which was preached to every creature which is under heaven; whereof I Paul am made a minister;

1Tim 2:15 Notwithstanding she shall be saved in childbearing, **if** they continue in faith and charity and holiness with sobriety.

1John 2:24 Let that therefore abide in you, which ye have heard from the beginning. If that which ye have heard from the beginning Shall remain in you, ye also shall continue in the Son, and in the Father.

Matt 10:22 And ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake: but he that endureth to the end shall be Saved.

Matt 18:23-35 ... which owed him ten thousand talents ... <u>loosed him, and forgave him the debt</u> ...33 Shouldest not thou also have had compassion on thy fellows ervant, even as I had pity on thee? 34 And his lord was wroth, and <u>delivered him to the tormentors, till he should pay all that was due unto him</u>. 35 So <u>likewise shall my heavenly</u> <u>Father do also unto you</u>, if ye from your hearts forgive not every one his brother their trespasses.

Matt 24:10-13 And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another. 11 And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many. 12 And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold. 13 But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.

Matt 25:7 Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps. 8 And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out. ... 11 Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us. 12 But he answered and said, Verily I say unto you, I know you not.

Mark 4:14-20 The sower soweth the word. 15 And these are they by the way side, where the word is sown; but when they have heard, Satan cometh immediately, and taketh away the word that was sown in their hearts. 16 And these are they likewise which are sown on stony ground; who, when they have heard the word, immediately receive it with gladness; Mark 4:17 And have no root in themselves, and so endure but for a time: afterward, when affliction or persecution ariseth for the word's sake, immediately they are offended. 18 And these are they which are sown among thorns; such as hear the word, 19 And the cares of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, and the lusts of other things entering in, choke the word, and it becometh unfruitful. Mark 4:20 And these are they which are sown on good ground; such as hear the word, and receive it, and bring forth fruit, some thirtyfold, some sixty, and some an hundred.

2Tim 4:7 I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith:

1Cor 9:27 But I keep under my body, and bring *it* into subjection: <u>lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway.</u>

Ezek 18:24,26 But when the <u>righteous turneth away from his righteousness</u>, and <u>committeth iniquity</u>, <u>and</u> doeth according to all the abominations that the wicked <u>man</u> doeth, shall he live? All his righteousness that he hath done shall not be mentioned: <u>in his trespass that he hath trespassed</u>, and in his sin that he hath sinned, in them <u>shall he die.</u> ... 26 When <u>a righteous <u>man</u> turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, and dieth in them; <u>for his iniquity that he hath done shall he die.</u></u>

Ezek 33:11-20 Say unto them, As I live, saith the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live: turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways; for why will ye die, O house of Israel? 12 Therefore, thou son of man, say unto the children of thy people, The righteousness of the righteous shall not deliver him in the day of his transgression: as for the wickedness of the wicked, he shall not fall thereby in the day that he turneth from his wickedness; neither shall the righteous be able to live for his righteousness in the day that he sinneth. Ezek 33:13 When I shall say to the righteous, that he shall surely live; if he trust to his own righteousness, and commit iniquity, all his righteousnesses shall not be remembered; but for his iniquity that he hath committed, he shall die for it. 14 Again, when I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; if he turn from his sin, and do that which is lawful and right; 15 If the wicked restore the pledge, give again that he had robbed, walk in the statutes of life, without committing iniquity; he shall surely live, he shall not die. 16 None of his sins that he hath committed shall be mentioned unto him: he hath done that which is lawful and right; he shall surely live. Ezek 33:17 Yet the children of thy people say, The way of the Lord is not equal: but as for them, their way is not equal. 18 When the righteous turneth from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, he shall live thereby. Ezek 33:20 Yet ye say, The way of the Lord is not equal. O ye house of Israel, I will judge you every one after his ways.

(tw: Some passages like these in Luke seem to be saying the same thing that not only must one believe and obey , but they must <u>continue until they die</u>)

Luke 8:12-14 Those by the way side are they that hear; then cometh the devil, and taketh away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved. 13 They on the rock are they, which, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, which for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall away. 14 And that which fell among thorns are they, which, when they have heard, go forth, and are choked with cares and riches and pleasures of this life, and bring no fruit to perfection.

Luke 14:26-35 If any man come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple. 27 And whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come after me, cannot be my disciple. 28 For which of you, intending to build a tower, sitteth not down first, and counteth the cost, whether he have sufficient to finish it? Luke 14:29 Lest haply, after he hath laid the foundation,

and <u>is not able to finish</u> <u>it</u>, all that behold <u>it</u> begin to mock him, 30 Saying, This man <u>began to build</u>, and was not <u>able to finish</u>. 31 Or <u>what king</u>, <u>going to make war</u> against another king, sitteth not down first, and consulteth whether he be able with ten thousand to meet him that cometh against him with twenty thousand? <u>Luke 14:32</u> Or else, while the other is yet a great way off, he sendeth an ambassage, and desireth conditions of peace. 33 So <u>likewise</u>, <u>whosoever he be of you</u> that forsaketh not all that he hath, <u>he cannot be my disciple</u>. 34 <u>Salt <u>is good</u>: but <u>if the salt have lost his savour</u>, wherewith shall it be seasoned? <u>Luke 14:35</u> It is neither fit for the land, nor yet for the dunghill; <u>but men cast it out</u>. He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.</u>

Jas 1:12 Blessed is the man that <u>endureth</u> temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him.

1 Timothy 4:1 Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times <u>some shall depart from the faith</u>, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils;

<u>Pert 2:20-21 For if after they have escaped</u> the pollutions of the world <u>through the knowledge of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ</u>, they are again entangled therein, and overcome, <u>the latter end is worse</u> with them than the beginning. <u>21</u> For <u>it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness</u>, than, <u>after they have known</u> *it*, <u>to turn from the holy commandment</u> delivered unto them.

2Pet 3:17 Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know *these things* before, <u>beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own stedfastness</u>.

1Cor 15:1-2 Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand; 2 By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain.

TO WHOM is God's MERCY applied?

Does God's Mercy apply to you?

Who is God's MERCY to?: <u>Deuteronomy 7:9</u> Know therefore that the LORD thy God he is God. the faithful God which keeps covenant and <u>mercy with them that love him and keep his commandments</u> to a thousand generations;

Nehemiah 1:5 And said. I beseech thee, O LORD God of heaven, the great and terrible God, that keeps covenant and mercy for them that love him and observe his commandments:

Psalm 25:10 All the paths of the LORD are mercy and truth unto such as keep his covenant and his testimonies.

<u>Proverbs 28:13</u> He that covers his sins shall not prosper: but <u>whoso confesses and forsakes them</u> shall have mercy.

<u>Daniel 9:4</u> And I prayed unto the LORD my God, and made my confession, and said, O Lord. the great and dreadful God, keeping the covenant and <u>mercy</u> to them that <u>love</u> him. and to them that <u>keep his</u> commandments;

<u>Hosea 6:6</u> For <u>I desired mercy</u>, and not sacrifice; <u>and the knowledge of God</u> more than burnt offerings. <u>Hosea 10:12 Sow</u> to yourselves in righteousness, <u>reap in mercy</u>; break up your fallow ground: for it is time to seek the LORD, till he come and rain righteousness upon you.

Luke 1:50 And his mercy is on them that fear (reverence) him from generation to generation.

<u>Titus 3:5</u> Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but <u>according to his mercy</u> he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost;

>>Looks like we apply God's mercy to ourselves by obeying God's word.<<

Jude 1:21 Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life. How do we love God?: 1John 5:2-3 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep his commandments. For this is the love of God. that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous.

2John 1:6 And this is love, that we walk after his commandments. This is the commandment, That, as ye have heard from the beginning, ye should walk in it.

John 8:51 Verily, verily, I say unto you, If a man keep my saying, he shall never see death.

John 14:15 If ye love me. keep my commandments.

John 14:23-24 Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me. he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him. He that loves me not keeps not my savings: and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me.

John 15:10 If ye keep my commandments. ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love.

>>Looks like we love God by obeying his commandments.<<

NO MERCY to: <u>Isa 9:17</u> Therefore the Lord shall have <u>no joy in their young men. neither shall have mercy on</u> their fatherless and widows: for every one is an hypocrite and an evildoer, and every mouth speaks folly. For all this his anger is not turned away, but his hand is stretched out still.

Isaiah 27:11 When the boughs thereof are withered they shall be broken off: the women come, and set them on fire: for it is a People of no Understanding: therefore he that made them will not have mercy on them, and he that formed them will show them no favor.

Jonah 2:8 They that observe lying vanities forsake their own mercy.

<u>Luke 16:24-25</u> And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame.

>> Looks like God allows us the choice of not obeying and thereby we forsake God's mercy toward us when we do not obey Him. << May the mercy of God be upon you.

1 John 2:4 He that says, I know him, and keeps not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.

A parting thought, <u>Is</u> believing that you can never lose your salvation, a requirement to being born again? If on the other hand, it is a possibility that one could to lose their salvation, might believing that they can not lose their salvation, be something that can send them to hell, if they "depart from the faith" and "are again entangled " "which for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall away" "should be a castaway"???

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