When you understand that God saved you in the past when you believed, that He is saving you now as you grow and that He will finish your salvation when Jesus Christ comes for you, you realize that your salvation is secure. We sometimes call this security.

Eternal Security is not about how good we can or should be. Eternal Security is about the faithfulness of our God to finish what has been started. We read in Philippians 1:6 that He who began a good work in us will continue to do that work until the day of Jesus Christ.

- Tim Hoelscher

#### GREEK WORD STUDY

Root: Telos

Meaning: To bring to an intended end

It is stressing what the end is OR It is stressing the process

## **2 Timothy 3:5**

Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.

### Colossians 1:27-28

27 To whom God would [thelo - desirous will] make known [gnorizo - experientially know] what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope [the expectation] of glory: 28 Whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man perfect [teleios - complete, mature, to bring to an intended end] in Christ Jesus:

### **1 Corinthians 13:9-10**

**9** For we know in [ek - out from] part [meros - a part], and we prophesy in [ek - out from] part [meros - a part]. **10** But when that which is perfect [teleios – complete, mature, has its intended end] is come, then that which is in [ek - out from] part [meros - a part] shall be done away

### John 4:34

Jesus saith unto them, My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to finish [teleioo – complete, mature, to bring to an intended end] his work.

### **Hebrews 12:1-2**

1 Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside [apotithemi - to lay aside] every weight [ogkos - a mass, burden (hindrance)], and the sin which doth so easily beset [euperistatos - twarting] us, and let us run with patience [hypomone - patient continuance] the race that is set before us, 2 Looking [aphorao - looking away] unto Jesus the author [archegos - the first one, originator, founder] and finisher [teleiotes last one, completer, to bring to an intended end] of our [the] faith; who for the joy [chara - mental attitude where one is pleasantly satisfied] that was set before him endured the cross, despising [kataphroneō - against framing the mind, counting nothing] the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

### **Hebrews 12:3-4**

3 For consider him that endured [hupomeno - patient continuance] such contradiction [antilogia - speaking against] of [by] sinners against himself, lest you be wearied [kamno - mental sickness] and faint [ekluo - to be mentally tired out, enfeebled] in your minds [psuche - souls]. 4 You have not yet resisted [antikathistemi - to stand against] unto [mechris - up to the point of] blood, striving against [the] sin.

#### **Hebrews 5:8-9**

8 Though He were a Son [huios - position of privilege], yet learned He obedience by the things which He suffered; 9 And being made perfect [teleioo - to bring to an intended end, mature, complete], He became the author [aitios - source] of eternal salvation unto all them that obey Him;

# Ephesians 4:11-13

11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and [kai - even] teachers; 12 For the perfecting [katartismos - adjusting, to put into joint] of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying [oikodome - building up] of the body of [the] Christ: 13 Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge [epignosis - full experiential knowledge] of the Son of God, unto a perfect [teleios - mature, complete, to bring to an intended end] man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness [pleroma - complete] of Christ:

# Philippians 3:12

Not as though I had already attained [lambano - receive], either were already perfect [teleioo - mature, complete, to bring to an intended end]: but I follow [dioko - eagerly pursue] after, if that I may apprehend [katalambano - to take eagerly, seize, to lay hold of] that for which also I am apprehended [katalambano - to take eagerly, seize, to lay hold of] of Christ Jesus.

# Philippians 3:13-15

**13** Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended [katalambano - to take eagerly; seize, to lay hold of]: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, 14 I press [dioko - eagerly pursue] toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. 15 Let us therefore, as many as be perfect [telios - mature, complete, to bring to an intended end], be thus minded [phroneo frame of mind]: and if in any thing you be otherwise minded [phroneo - frame of mind], God shall reveal even this unto you.

### Acts 20:24-25

24 But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish [teleioo - mature, complete, to bring to an intended end] my course [dromos - race course] with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace of God. 25 And now, behold, I know that you all, among whom I have gone preaching the kingdom of God, shall see my face no more.

# 2 Timothy 4:6-7

**6** For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure [not flight but life] is at hand. **7** I have fought a good [kalos - measures up, fitting] fight, I have finished [teleo - complete, maturity, to bring to an intended end] my course [dromos - race course] I have kept the faith:

#### **Hebrews 10:14**

For by one offering he has perfected [teleioo (perfect tense) – mature, complete, to bring to an intended end] for ever them that are sanctified.

### Hebrews 2:10

For it became him, for whom are all things, and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons [huios - sons, to have position and privilege] to glory, to make the captain [archegos - author] of their salvation perfect [teleioo - to bring to an intended end, complete, mature] through sufferings.

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8 Though He were a Son [huios - position of privilege], yet learned He obedience by the things which He suffered; 9 And being made perfect [teleioo - to bring to an intended end, mature, complete], He became the author [aitios - source] of eternal salvation unto all them that obey Him;

#### Hebrews 7:19

For the law made nothing perfect [teleios - mature, complete, to bring to an intended end], but the bringing in of a [THE] better hope did; by the which we draw near unto God.