

# Security of the Believer

**John 3:16** "For God so loved ...  
that He gave ... that whoever believes in Him  
**should not perish**, but have eternal life.

*(Subjunctive Middle)*

**(John 6:37)** And the one who comes to Me I will  
**certainly not cast out.** *(Jesus won't refuse to save)*

**Phil 1:6** For I am confident of this very thing, that  
He who began a good work in you will  
**perfect it** until the day of Christ Jesus.  
*(God won't walk off the job.)*

**Jude 1:24** **God is able** to keep you from stumbling .

# The Choice of the Believer

Heb 3:12 “Take care, brethren, lest there be in you ..an **evil, unbelieving** heart, **in falling away from the living God.**

1 Cor 9:27 I buffet my body and make it my slave, **lest possibly**, after I’ve preached to others, **I myself should be disqualified.**  
(unapproved, rejected)

Gal 5:4 You have been severed from Christ, you who are seeking to be justified by law; **you have fallen from grace.**

1 Pet 2:22 “Dog returns to its own **vomit..**

# The Forgiveness of the Believer

1 Cor 15:10 *By the grace of God*  
I am what I am.

Luke 18:13 Was beating his  
breast, saying, "God, be  
merciful to me,  
*the sinner!*"

Ps 32:1-6 *How blessed* is he  
whose transgression is  
forgiven, whose sin  
is covered!

v2 *How blessed* is the man to whom  
the *Lord does not impute iniquity.*



# The Guilt of the Believer

1 John 1:7 *If we walk in the light* as He Himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of *Jesus His Son cleanses us from All Sin.*

1 John 1:9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous *to forgive* us our sins and to *cleanse us from ALLLL unrighteousness.*

You can feel sad, depressed, anxious or remorseful, but *not guilty* (it's not an emotion). You might *BELIEVE* yourself to be guilty.  
Ask: Why do I believe that?

# The Believer's Judgment



Acts 10:15 A voice came saying: "What God has made clean, ***Do not call unclean!*** "

Matt 25:23 *[two-talent servant]* "His master said to him, '***Well done, good and faithful slave; you were faithful with a few things, I will put you in charge of many things...***'

Rom 14:4 Who are you to judge the servant of another? To his own master he stands or falls; ***and stand he will, for the Lord is able to make him stand.***

# The Believer's Judgment

Appropriate “Shoulds”

Eph 2:10 “We are created... *for good works*, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

1 John 3:11 You have heard from the beginning that we should love one another.

Rom 2:21 You preach that one should not steal...



# The Believer's Judgment

1 Cor 2:16

But we have the mind of Christ.

In-Appropriate “Shoulds”

I **should** balance my checkbook every week...

I **should** make my kids behave better like...

I **should** be more organized like...

I **should** be more patient like...

I **should** exercise more...

I **shouldn't** get angry...

I **shouldn't** have watched TV...

I **should** listen to more spiritual music...



Change  
“I should” to  
“**I Choose**”

# The Tools of the Believer

A B-2 Spirit stealth bomber is shown in flight, banking to the right. The aircraft is dark and sleek, with its wings and fuselage visible. The background consists of a rugged, mountainous landscape with blue and brown tones, suggesting a high-altitude or desert environment. The lighting is dramatic, with strong highlights and shadows.

Rom 12:3 Think  
so as to have  
**SOUND**  
**judgment.**

In areas of judgment:

1. Try using "***I choose***" rather than "*I should*"
2. If I must ***suffer***, shall it be for two days or 35 years?
3. Re-write the ***rules***.

Hospitality: My house Doesn't have to be spotless.  
Job worth doing: Doesn't have to be Flawless!  
The Jones': I Don't have to keep up with them!

# The Attitude of the Believer

Phil 4:13 *I can do all things*  
through Christ who strengthens me

1 Pet 4:11 If any one serves, let him serve with the  
*strength God supplies.*

Isa 40:31 Those who wait for the Lord will gain  
*new strength...*

Neh 8:10 *The joy of the Lord* is your strength.

Rom 8:1 There is now.. *no condemnation*  
for those who are in Christ Jesus.



# *Security*

**John 16:33 These things I have spoken  
to you, that in Me you may have peace.**