

Shalom Peace be with you. May the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, be praised forever. Today, let us take a moment to reflect on a powerful and often overlooked passage of Scripture that speaks deeply about God's grace and the security of those who walk in His ways.

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Isaiah 35:8 (ESV)

*“And a highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Way of Holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it. It shall belong to those who walk on the way; even if they are fools, they shall not go astray.”*

This prophetic verse from Isaiah speaks about the redeemed returning to Zion a vision of the Messianic age and the future restoration of God's people. The “Way of Holiness” is a metaphor for the spiritual path that God has prepared for the redeemed a path of righteousness, sanctification, and ultimate salvation through Christ.

Even If They Are Fools, They Will Not Go Astray

The phrase *“even if they are fools, they shall not go astray”* is striking. It implies that those who walk this path even if they lack full understanding, wisdom, or spiritual maturity will not be lost. This is not a license for ignorance, but rather a picture of God’s preserving grace for those who sincerely follow Him.

1 Corinthians 1:27 (NIV)

*“But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise...”*

John 10:27-28 (ESV)

*“My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand.”*

This reflects a powerful biblical doctrine: the security of the believer. Salvation is not based on our intellect, eloquence, or strength, but on the redemptive work of Christ and the faithfulness of God to keep His people.

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The Danger of Misjudging Others in the Faith

Today, many mock or look down upon believers, especially those who seem poor, uneducated, or overly devout. Some say, *“If that’s what being saved looks like, I’d rather live my life.”* Others claim Christians are backward, unattractive, or unnecessarily self-denying.

Yet the Bible reminds us that appearance and worldly success are not the markers of righteousness. God looks at the heart (1 Samuel 16:7). Those who appear foolish or weak by worldly standards may be walking on the very road that leads to eternal life.

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Worldly Wisdom vs. God’s Way

Proverbs 14:12 (NIV)

*“There is a way that appears to be right, but in the end it leads to death.”*

Many are attracted to the pleasures and philosophies of this world success, indulgence, personal freedom without accountability. But Scripture warns that the broad road leads to destruction (Matthew 7:13-14).

Romans 12:2 (NIV)

*“Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind...”*

Even if someone appears wise in the eyes of the world, if they reject Christ, they are on a path that leads away from God. What good is it to gain the whole world and lose your soul? (Mark 8:36).

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The “Vehicle” of Salvation: Christ Alone

Think of salvation as a moving vehicle and Christ is the driver. Even if some passengers don’t understand the route perfectly, as long as they are in Christ, they are heading in the right direction.

Romans 8:1 (ESV)

*“There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.”*

Those who mock Christians, calling them “fools” or “fanatics,” fail to see that these very people are often held by the grace and power of God. Their “foolishness” may simply be childlike faith which Jesus highly commended.

Matthew 18:3 (NIV)

*“Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”*

Enter the Way of Holiness

Life is short. The future is uncertain. Today you are alive and breathing, but tomorrow is not promised. You may laugh at Christians now, but the moment you face eternity, the only thing that will matter is whether you were in Christ.

2 Corinthians 6:2 (NIV)

*"I tell you, now is the time of God's favor, now is the day of salvation."*

Friend, give your life to Jesus today. Get into the vehicle of salvation while there's still time. Even if you feel weak or unworthy, even if you don't know the Bible well if you surrender to Christ and walk in His way, you will not be lost.

Let us examine ourselves daily:

Are we still on the highway of holiness, or have we stepped off long ago?

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May the Lord help us all. Amen.

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