

Hebrews 6:4-8

4 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.

7 For the earth which drinketh in the rain that cometh oft upon it, and bringeth forth herbs meet for them by whom it is dressed, receiveth blessing from God: 8 But that which beareth thorns and briers is rejected, and is nigh unto cursing; whose end is to be burned.

The key to understanding

Who is he talking about?

Who are the “those”?

I like to identify them as “tasters”

Psalms 34:8 (KJV) O taste and see
that the LORD *is* good: blessed *is*
the man *that* trusteth in him.

How is a taster different?

Tasters

Enlightened

Taste the heavenly Gift

Partake of the Holy Ghost

Taste the Word of God

And (taste) powers of the
world to come

Christians

Believe the gospel

Receive the fullness

Are indwelt by the Spirit

Believe the Word of God

Live by the Power of God
thru faith

Fate of the Tasters

They do not have eternal life

If they shall fall away

(Seed on the path or the rocky soil)

Impossible to be renewed again unto
repentance

Does this mean Christians can fall
away from God?

NO!

John 10:27-29 (KJV) ²⁷ My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: ²⁸ And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any *man* pluck them out of my hand. ²⁹ My Father, which gave *them* me, is greater than all; and no *man* is able to pluck *them* out of my Father's hand.

Romans 8:38-39 (KJV) ³⁸ For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, ³⁹ Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

1 Peter 1:4-5 (KJV) ⁴ To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, ⁵ Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

Tasters can fall away from God

It will be permanent

Impossible to renew them again unto
repentance

They crucify themselves to the Son of God

They put Our Lord to open shame

How to be sure you are not a taster

Jesus is Lord of a Christian, *Luke 6:46*

The Christian loves God first and most

The first commandment

The Christian seeks Gods kingdom Mt
6:33

The Christian perseveres *Heb 6:11*

The Christian produces good fruit

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