

Once Bathed, Always Bathed

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In the religious world there are many manmade philosophies, ideals, practices and doctrines. The word “doctrine” basically means “a belief that is taught.” According to the Bible there is only one true doctrine (the gospel of Christ, and it is of divine origin – [Gal. 1:6-12](#)); all else is man-made and is therefore false doctrine.

One such man-made teaching is the “once saved, always saved” doctrine. Proponents of this doctrine tell us that once a person comes to salvation in Christ, it is impossible to fall away and be lost. Yet God tells us that if a righteous man turns away from his righteousness he will die in his sins ([Ezek. 18:24, 26](#)). Additionally, the Hebrew writer describes those in a saved condition falling away and being lost (Heb. 6:4-6).

Simply put, if a man takes a bath he is cleansed from the filth of his body. But if that same man rolls in mud he is in need of being cleansed again – for it is impossible to be “once bathed, always bathed.” How clean are you?