

Revelation 3:8 I know thy works: behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and **hast kept [G5083]** my word, and hast not denied my name.

Revelation 3:10 Because thou **hast kept [G5083]** the word of my patience [G5281], I also **will keep [G5083]** thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.

You have kept my word.  
Because you have kept the word of my patience,  
I will keep you

**In what sense have they kept His word, the word of His patience?**

They have heard the gospel, and have believed it, and have not forgotten it  
Jesus Christ was crucified; He died; He was buried; He is risen again  
Repent and be baptized in His name for remission or forgiveness of sins  
Believe in Jesus Christ and be saved to eternal life  
God is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit  
They have heard His command to love one another, and have obeyed it

Luke 8:11-15 Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. 12 Those by the way side are they that hear; then cometh the devil, and taketh away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved. 13 They on the rock are they, which, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, which for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall away. 14 And that which fell among thorns are they, which, when they have heard, go forth, and are choked with cares and riches and pleasures of this life, and bring no fruit to perfection. 15 But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience.

## What is it to be kept by God?

Is it to be kept from being arrested and put in prison?

Acts 5:17-18 Then the high priest rose up, and all they that were with him, (which is the sect of the Sadducees,) and were filled with indignation, 18 And laid their hands on the apostles, and **put them in the common prison.**

Is it to be kept from being physically harmed?

Acts 5:40 And to him they agreed: and when they had called the apostles, and **beaten them**, they commanded that they should not speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go.

Is it to be kept from being killed?

Acts 12:1-2 Now about that time Herod the king stretched forth his hands to vex certain of the church. 2 And he **killed** James the brother of John with the sword.

It is to be kept from falling away in the face of persecution; from apostasizing; and so to be kept from the punishment that shall come on those who do.

Revelation 14:9-13 And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand, 10 The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb: 11 And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name. 12 Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that **keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.** 13 And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them.

It is to be kept from perishing.

John 10:27-30 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. 30 I and my Father are one.

Revelation 1:3 Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and **keep [G5083]** those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand.

John 8:51 Verily, verily, I say unto you, If a man keep my saying, he shall never see death.

John 8:54-55 Jesus answered, If I honour myself, my honour is nothing: it is my Father that honoureth me; of whom ye say, that he is your God: 55 Yet ye have not known him; but I know him: and if I should say, I know him not, I shall be a liar like unto you: but I know him, and keep his saying.

John 14:15-24 If ye love me, **keep** my commandments. 16 And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; 17 Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. 18 I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you. 19 Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because I live, ye shall live also. 20 At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you. 21 He that hath my commandments, and **keepeth** them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him. 22 Judas saith unto him, not Iscariot, Lord, how is it that thou wilt manifest thyself unto us, and not unto the world? 23 Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will **keep** my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him. 24 He that loveth me not **keepeth** not my sayings: and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me.

John 15:9-12 As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in my love. 10 If ye **keep** my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I **have kept** my Father's commandments, and abide in his love. 11 These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full. 12 This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you.

John 17:5-15 And now, O Father, glorify thou me with thine own self with the glory which I had with thee before the world was. 6 I have manifested thy name unto the men which thou gavest me out of the world: thine they were, and thou

gavest them me; and they **have kept** thy word. 7 Now they have known that all things whatsoever thou hast given me are of thee. 8 For I have given unto them the words which thou gavest me; and they have received them, and have known surely that I came out from thee, and they have believed that thou didst send me. 9 I pray for them: I pray not for the world, but for them which thou hast given me; for they are thine. 10 And all mine are thine, and thine are mine; and I am glorified in them. 11 And now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to thee. Holy Father, **keep** through thine own name those whom thou hast given me, that they may be one, as we are. 12 While I was with them in the world, I **kept** them in thy name: those that thou gavest me I have **kept [G5442 phulasso]**, and none of them is lost, but the son of perdition; that the scripture might be fulfilled. 13 And now come I to thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they might have my joy fulfilled in themselves. 14 I have given them thy word; and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. 15 I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest **keep** them from the evil.

1 John 5:5 Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?