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Psalm 24:1 says, "The earth is the LORD'S (Jehovah), and the fulness thereof, the world, and THEY that dwell therein."

This tells us that the Father owns everything and everyone in this world. He is the Father of all. The entire creation was His plan. Jesus (Jeshuah) simply spoke His plan into being.

Yes, every person ever conceived on earth belongs to God the Father, whether they accept Him or not. Those who reject Him will be condemned, outcasts, but he owns them all. He owns, as Father, all of us.

What about we believers who follow Jesus? In the 17<sup>th</sup> chapter of John, Jesus is praying to the Father about His disciples. In verse 6, Jesus said to Father (NKJV) "I have manifested Your name to the men whom You have given Me out of the world. They were Yours, You gave them to Me, and they have kept your word."

Jesus goes on to say that He is not asking this favor for everyone in the world (vs. 9) but just for "those whom You have given me, for they are yours. And (vs. 14) all Mine are Yours..."

Verse 11 says, "...Holy Father, keep (preserve) through Your name (all) those whom You have given Me..."

We are in Christ, and He is in us. Father has given to Jesus all who have believed on Jesus. Yet, it is the Father who guarantees our security in Jesus. Satan cannot snatch away those whom the Father has given and have received salvation through Jesus. We still belong to the Father even as we abide in Jesus. The Father guarantees our relationship to Jesus who is now our Lord and Savior and God.