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Saint Paisios of Mount Athos: Not everyone will be saved



Struggle with all your power to gain Paradise. And do not listen to those who say that everyone will be saved. This is trap of Satan so that we would not struggle.

The devil does not hunt after those who are lost; he hunts after those who are aware, those who are close to God. He takes from them trust in God and begins to afflict them with self-assurance, logic, thinking, criticism. Therefore we should not trust our logical minds.

So, I wish you many years in order to have time to struggle — but not for them to be too happy, because happiness in the world isn't really so healthy. When a man is too happy in this world, he forgets God and forgets death.

Based on Saint Paisios of Mount Athos

A candid shot from Vatopedi's garrage.

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