

# Salvation

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“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life,” (Jn. 3:16). Mankind is separated from God. This is because God is holy and man has chosen to be sinful. Light and darkness do not have fellowship. But, because of God’s love for mankind, He has reached out His infinite hand to finite man and offered him the opportunity to be redeemed. God sent His Son Jesus to pay for man’s sin by dying on the cross. Then, He conquered death so that whoever believes in Jesus is not just forgiven, but has eternal life.

## 1. Man’s need to be saved

Man is separated from God because of sin. There is an immutable law of God, “...the soul that sinneth, it shall die.” Eze. 18:4

### A. Man is sinful

1. Sin was introduced into mankind through Adam.  
Gen. 3:17; Rom. 5:12.
2. All have sinned. Rom. 3:23; Ps. 53:3; Prov. 20:9.
3. What is sin?
  - a. Sin is deliberately not doing God’s known will.  
Jm. 4:17.
  - b. Sin is doing your own thing without seeking God.  
Rom. 14:23
  - c. Sin is selfishness. I Cor. 10:23-24; Ph. 2:4.

### B. Man faces death

“The wages of sin is death.” Rom. 6:23

1. Death to your body. Acts 5:1-11; I Cor. 15:54-56.
2. Death to your soul. Jm. 5:20; Eze. 18:4, 17,18.
3. Death to your spirit. Eph. 2:1; Col. 2:13.

## 2. God's part in salvation

Salvation is the restoration of life to people walking in death, separated from God. In every instance, it is God who gets all the glory for salvation. "Salvation belongeth unto the Lord: Thy blessing is upon Thy people. Selah," (Ps. 3:8).

### A. Salvation is of God

1. God the Father planned it and sent the Gift. Jn. 3:16; Rom. 6:23; II Cor. 9:15.
2. Jesus, God the Son, did the work. Jn. 3:16; Rom. 6:23; Heb. 12:2.
3. The Holy Spirit draws men to salvation. Acts 2:37; Heb. 3:7-8, 10:15; Jn. 16:7-11.

### B. Salvation is the Door

God has provided the door for man to come back into relationship with Himself.

It is through the Lord Jesus Christ. Rom. 5:21; Jn. 10:9

It is by grace (grace comes from the Greek word *charis* which

means "free gift"). Eph. 2:8

The blood of Jesus is the payment for our sins. Rom 5:9;

Heb. 9:14

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### 1. Describe the part the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit play

in salvation. Have you personally experienced Their affect on your life?

2. Explain the meaning of "grace" in your own words. Have you experienced this grace?

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## 3. Man's part in salvation

God has already purchased and effected man's salvation. This work of God elicits trust and acceptance on the part of man. All that is left is for man to believe. "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves:

it is the gift of God: not of works, lest any man should boast."

Eph. 2:8-9

### Repenting

Repentance prepares the heart for true faith.

The message John the Baptist preached to prepare people for Jesus was "Repent."

Matt. 3:2

The prodigal son is an example of repentance. Lk. 15:11-

32

He came to himself. v. 17

He realized his sin. v. 18

He was humble. v. 19

He returned to his father. v. 20

The word *repent* means to change one's mind and purpose.

False repentance does not lead to salvation.

Judas is an example of false repentance. Matt. 27:3

False repentance is not a change of direction; it is just a pain of mind. II Cor. 7:10

**Believing**

Salvation is through faith.

Man must believe. (The word believe and faith are the same.) Jn. 3:16;

Rom. 3:22

Works do not produce salvation. Tit. 3:5; Rom. 3:20

### **Confessing**

Confession follows true faith.

We must confess with our mouths. Rom. 10:9; 1 Jn. 4:15

Examples of confession

Peter. Matt. 16:16

Nathanael. Jn. 1:49

The Ethiopian eunuch. Acts 8:37

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**1. Explain the four points under this section as they relate to your own experience.**

## **Questions**

### **Receiving**

When you ask God for forgiveness, you receive it.

God is faithful to forgive. 1 Jn. 1:9

Forgiveness is provided for through the Cross. Eph. 1:7

Repentance precedes forgiveness. Lk. 3:3; Acts 5:31

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## **4. The results of salvation**

Salvation is the restoration of life flowing through every area of a person's being. Jesus said, "The thief cometh not, but

for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly."

Jn. 10:10

### **Salvation is life**

Jesus brought this life.

Spiritual life

Spiritual life is a present reality. 1 Cor. 15:45; 1 Pet. 4:6

Spiritual life is forever. Jn. 11:25-26

Physical life

Healing is for now. 1 Pet. 2:24

We will receive a new body. 1 Cor. 15:51-54

Life in your mind and emotions

1 Cor. 2:16; Eph. 4:23-24; Rom. 12:1-2

### **Salvation is progressive**

You are born again and sealed to redemption. Eph. 4:30; 1 Pet. 1:9

You are being renewed and conformed to the image of Christ

daily. 2 Cor. 3:18

One day salvation will be completely realized. Phil. 1:6; Rom.

8:19-21

To summarize, a person who is born again is saved from

hell, is being perfected and will one day be as Christ. This growing salvation affects spirit, soul and body.

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**1. Explain the three areas of your life that you believe Jesus is affecting through salvation.**

**2. Explain the three stages of salvation.**

## **Questions**

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### **5.**

## **Assurance of salvation**

You can know that you are a partaker of Salvation. Many people think that you cannot know for sure that you are saved.

God's promise of salvation is absolute to everyone that believes. "The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of

God...” Rom. 8:16

### **Assurance from the Word**

The Word of God promises us salvation.

God’s Word does not lie. Heb. 6:18; Ps. 19:9

The Word of God specifically promises salvation. 2 Pet. 1:4;

Jn. 1:12

### **Assurance from the Holy Spirit**

The Spirit of God bears witness to our spirit that we are saved.

We know that we are in Him because of the Spirit He gave us. 1 Jn. 3:24, 4:13

The Spirit is a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come.

2 Cor. 5:5; Eph. 1:13-14

The Spirit in the believer cries out to God as Father. Gal. 4:6;

Rom. 8:15

When a person hears the Word of God, they are convinced of the truth. As they receive the Holy Spirit through

salvation, He confirms their sonship by crying out to God from

within.

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**1. What are the two things that will witness to the salvation of a person**

**2. Do you have an assurance of salvations? Why or why not?**

## **Questions**

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God provided salvation for man on the cross. If any man believes on the Lord Jesus, he shall be saved. Salvation is not

just for now, but forever. Salvation brings life to the whole person—spirit, soul and body. We grow daily in our salvation,

understanding more of God’s provision as we mature.