

Salvation



1 Why do we need salvation?

- We are totally lost in sin.
- We are separated from God.
- We are spiritually dead.
- We are under God's judgment/wrath.
- We are headed for an eternity separated from God.

Scripture: Romans 3:10-12, 23; Ephesians 2:1-3; Colossians 2:13; John 3:18; Ephesians 4:18; Romans 8:7-8;

2 Who can be saved?

- God desires everyone to come to Him (2 Peter 3:9)
- Whoever believes in Him & calls on His name (John 3:16; Romans 10:13)
- The one who is poor, broken, surrendered, and searching (Matthew 5:3-6)

3 What is salvation?

Definitions: delivered from harm or ruin; rescued; saved; delivered

Saved **FROM**: sin, death, wrath, eternal separation

- Colossians 1:21-22, 2:13-15
- Galatians 1:4

Saved **FOR**: purposeful & abundant life, ministers for God, eternal life

- Romans 6:23 - the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus
- John 10:10 - full and abundant life - meaning and purpose in this life
- Psalm 16:11 - fullness of joy and pleasures forever

Salvation is:

- A free gift from God, an offer and an invitation that is always open
- God making a way for me to be with Him
- A right relationship with God

4 Who saves us?

- 1 Timothy 1:15 - Jesus Christ came to save us
- John 14:6 - no one comes to the Father except through Jesus
- Acts 4:12 - there is no other name that can save us
- John 11:25-26 - life is only found in Jesus
- 2 Corinthians 5:21; Romans 5:8 - Jesus Christ took our place & died for us
- Ephesians 2:13 - Jesus brings us near to God

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5 How do we receive salvation?

Admit – Recognize that you are a sinner in need of saving

- Psalm 51:1-10

Believe – Believe that Jesus is the Son of God who lived a perfect life and died a willing but undeserved death to save you

- John 5:24
- Acts 16:30-31
- Ephesians 2:8-9

Confess –

- Romans 10:9-10 – Believe in your heart and declare with your mouth

Revelation 3:20 – God is always at the door of your heart knocking. Will you open the door and allow Him to come in and save you?

6 What do we receive when we are saved?

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| • forgiveness and purification from our sin | • access to God |
| • freed of our guilt/shame | • united to the Son |
| • our penalty was paid in full | • united to the Body of Christ / church |
| • justification – declared righteous | • citizenship in Heaven |
| • accepted and loved by the Father | • security of our salvation |
| • adopted into God's family | • eternal life |
| • a new heart and life | • the indwelling Holy Spirit |

7 What does it mean to be saved?

PAST: You have been rescued. { JUSTIFICATION }

- Colossians 1:13-14

PRESENT: You are being transformed. { SANCTIFICATION }

- 2 Corinthians 5:17; Romans 12:2; John 16:13; Galatians 4:6

FUTURE: You will be fully restored. { GLORIFICATION }

8 How do I know I am saved?

1 John 5:13 – God wants us to be SURE of our faith in Him and in His promises.