

# A SNAPSHOT OF SALVATION

Romans 1:16 KJVS

For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

**QUESTION:** I REALLY WANT TO KNOW SOMETHING. HOW CAN I KNOW I AM SAVED? SOMETIMES I SAY THINGS & SOMETIMES I DO THINGS I DON'T KNOW IF I AM REALLY SAVED.

**FIRST THINGS FIRST:** EVERYTHING CONCERNING GOD & THE WORD MUST BE RECEIVED BY FAITH.

2 Corinthians 5:7 TPT

for we live by faith, not by what we see with our eyes.

- Must accept the word as the truth by faith or choose to believe the word as God speaking to you.

Hebrews 11:6 TPT

And without faith living within us it would be impossible to please God. For we come to God in faith knowing that he is real and that he rewards the faith of those who give all their passion and strength into seeking him.

**QUESTION:** WHEN YOU USE THE TERM "SAVED," WHAT ARE YOU ASKING? SAVED FROM WHAT?

**THE WORD SALVATION HAS VARIOUS MEANINGS.**

1. SAVED FROM GOD'S WRATH TO COME.
2. SAVED FROM THE PENALTY OF SIN WHEN GOD, THE RIGHTEOUS JUDGE, WILL JUDGE THE WORLD IN RIGHTEOUSNESS.
3. SAVED FROM THE SECOND DEATH WHICH IS ETERNAL SEPARATION FROM GOD.

THE TERM "CHRISTIAN SALVATION," DISTINGUISHES IT FROM OTHER WORKS-BASED RELIGIONS.

CHRISTIAN “SALVATION,” CAN BE MISUNDERSTOOD AS A ONE-TIME EVENT; IT'S NOT. THE NEW BIRTH IS A ONE TIME EXPERIENCE, BUT COMPLETE SALVATION IS A THREE-PHASE SEQUENCE OF JUSTIFICATION, SANCTIFICATION, AND GLORIFICATION.

**POWER POINT-** SCRIPTURES DESCRIBES A THREEFOLD SALVATION:

1. SAVED FROM THE PENALTY OF SIN (SPIRIT). PAST - (YOU WERE JUSTIFIED)
2. DOMINION / PLEASURES OF SIN (SOUL) PRESENT, (YOU ARE SANCTIFIED)
3. PRESENCE OF SIN (BODY) FUTURE, (YOU WILL BE GLORIFIED)

CHRISTIAN SALVATION IS GOD'S THREE-STAGE PROCESS OF PREPARING HIS CHILDREN TO BE UNITED WITH HIM IN HEAVEN. OUR SALVATION BEGINS THE MOMENT WE ACCEPT JESUS AS OUR LORD AND SAVIOR.

**This FIRST STAGE is the “JUDICIAL” act called justification.** “Judicial” means God is the Judge. And he declares the guilty sinner innocent.

Romans 3:24-25 NLT

Yet God, in his grace, freely makes us right in his sight. He did this through Christ Jesus when he freed us from the penalty for our sins. [25] For God presented Jesus as the sacrifice for sin. People are made right with God when they believe that Jesus sacrificed his life, shedding his blood. This sacrifice shows that God was being fair when he held back and did not punish those who sinned in times past,

**The second stage is the lifelong process of sanctification**

Sanctification is the continual process of becoming more like Christ. And as a result, being set apart for God's service (1 Cor. 1:2, 2 Cor. 3:18; 4:16; 7:1). We can never be perfect on this side of eternity, but we can strive to live a life that is mature and free of sin (Co. 1:28).

1 Corinthians 1:2 NLT

I am writing to God's church in Corinth, a to you who have been called by God to be his own holy people. He made you holy by means of Christ Jesus, b just as he did for all people everywhere who call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, their

Lord and ours.

1 Thessalonians 4:4 KJVS

That every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honour;

**The third stage of Christian salvation is glorification:** when we meet Christ in heaven

Glorification removes us from the presence of sin forever In our eternal home in heaven, we no longer have a sinful nature. We will be “perfect.” in our new “glorious” bodies. And we will no longer be able to sin.

Corinthians 15:51-52 KJVS

Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, [52] In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

Romans 8:18 NLT

Yet what we suffer now is nothing compared to the glory he will reveal to us later.

Philippians 3:21 NLT

He will take our weak mortal bodies and change them into glorious bodies like his own, using the same power with which he will bring everything under his control.

## **5 SCRIPTURAL PROOFS YOU ARE BORN AGAIN, (SAVED)**

### **1. WITNESS OF HOLY SPIRIT IN YOUR HEART**

Romans 8:15-16 NLT

So you have not received a spirit that makes you fearful slaves. Instead, you received God's Spirit when he adopted you as his own children. Now we call him, "Abba, Father." [16] For his Spirit joins with our spirit to affirm that we are God's children.

1 John 4:13 TLB

And he has put his own Holy Spirit into our hearts as a proof to us that we are living with him and he with us.

Romans 8:9 TLB

But you are not like that. You are controlled by your new nature if you have the Spirit of God living in you. (And remember that if anyone doesn't have the Spirit of Christ living in him, he is not a Christian at all.)

Ephesians 1:13 NLT

And when you believed in Christ, he identified you as his own d by giving you the Holy Spirit, whom he promised long ago.

## **2. DESIRE TO PLEASE GOD**

Philippians 2:13 NLT

For God is working in you, giving you the desire and the power to do what pleases him.

## **3. LIFESTYLE CHANGES**

1 John 3:9 NLT

Those who have been born into God's family do not make a practice of sinning, because God's life is in them. So they can't keep on sinning, because they are children of God.

1 John 3:6 NLT

Anyone who continues to live in him will not sin. But anyone who keeps on sinning does not know him or understand who he is.

## **4. LOVING OTHERS**

1 John 4:7 KJVS

Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God.

1 John 4:7 CEV

My dear friends, we must love each other. Love comes from God, and when we love each other, it shows that we have been given new life. We are now God's children, and we know him.

1 John 3:14NLT

If we love our brothers and sisters who are believers, it proves that we have passed from death to life. But a person who has no love is still dead.

## **5. LOVE FOR GOD**

Romans 5:5 NLT

For we know how dearly God loves us, because he has given us the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts with his love.

## **POWER TO OVERCOME THE WORLD**

1 John 5:4 KJVS

For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.