

WHAT THE BIBLE SAYS ABOUT THE PROCESS OF SALVATION

Salvation is a miraculous act of God. The marvel of salvation takes place the moment a sinner receives the Lord Jesus Christ into his heart.

***John 1:12** But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name...*

***Romans 10:9-10** That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.*

One cannot work for salvation. One does not come to God and take Jesus into ones life. God comes to the sinner (i.e. through preaching and one on one witnessing) and offers his Son as a free gift.

***Romans 5:15-21** But not as the offence, so also is the free gift. For if through the offence of one many be dead, much more the grace of God, and the gift by grace, which is by one man, Jesus Christ, hath abounded unto many. 16 And not as it was by one that sinned, so is the gift: for the judgment was by one to condemnation, but the free gift is of many offences unto justification. 17 For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.) 18 Therefore as by the offence of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation; even so by the righteousness of one the free gift came upon all men unto justification of life. 19 For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous. 20 Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound: 21 That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord.*

***John 3:16** For God so loved the world [that's each sinner], that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.*

The sinner needs to be shown from the Bible that there is only one way to Heaven. Before a sinner receives Jesus he must first recognize that he is lost. He must realize that without Christ he cannot go to Heaven.

***John 14:6** Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.*

***Romans 6:23** For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

***Acts 4:12** Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.*

***Romans 3:10** As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one...*

***Romans 3:23** For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God...*

***Ephesians 2:8-9** 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.*

***John 3:36**...He that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.*

***Revelation 20:15** And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.*

***Revelation 21:8** But the fearful, and unbelieving, ...shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.*

The Bible tells us that a sinner is drawn to salvation through preaching.

***John 6:44** No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day.*

***John 12:32** And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me.*

***Romans 10:13-17** For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. 14 How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? 15 And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things! 16 But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Esaias saith, Lord, who hath believed our report? 17 So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.*

Then he must be shown from the Bible that in order to be saved (born again) he must repent and receive the Lord Jesus Christ. Every sinner that is led to Jesus (that is, shown the way of salvation) will exercise their own free will by either rejecting or receiving Christ. The principle of the old saying, “you can lead a horse to water but you can’t make him drink” is true with sinners. You can lead a sinner to Jesus, but you can’t make him receive Christ. The sinner must make that choice. It is the responsibility of the individual. He must believe in his heart that, God has raised Jesus from the dead, (Romans 10:9).

***Luke 13:2,3** And Jesus answering said unto them, ... except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.*

***Acts 3:19** Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out...*

***2 Corinthians 7:9-10** Now I rejoyce, not that ye were made sorry, but that ye sorrowed to repentance: for ye were made sorry after a godly manner, that ye might receive damage by us in nothing. 10 For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death.*

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After salvation the believer can know (without a doubt) that he is saved. There will also be a definite change in that person life.

***1 John 5:13** These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.*

Romans 8:16 *The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: ...*

1 Corinthians 5:17 *Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.*

Before salvation, each sinner must be brought to the realization that he/she is lost and in need of a Savior. This process is accomplished with the use of the Word of God. A person cannot be saved apart from the Word. *Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever. 1 Peter 1:23.*

After they have believed and received the Lord Jesus, they are new creation, *Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature...1 Corinthians 5:17a.*

Now, in order for this new believer to grow in the grace and knowledge of the Lord, they must be baptized into the membership of a local New Testament church. *As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby...1 Peter 2:2.*

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