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What is Salvation?

Salvation is being delivered from the penalty of sin, which is death, and receiving the gift of God, which is eternal life.

Salvation is a gracious gift from God through faith.

Ephesians 2:8-9 For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast.

Salvation is when God changes our spiritual position and seats us with Christ in heavenly places.

Ephesians 2:5-6 ...it is by grace you have been saved. And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus

Salvation is when God gives us everything we need for a godly life.

1 Peter 1:3 His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness.

Salvation is receiving eternal life.

John 17:3 Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent.

Salvation is how we become children of God.

1 John 3:1 See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!

Salvation is how we become a part of the family of God.

Ephesians 2:19 Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of his household, Salvation is how we become reconciled to God.

2 Corinthians 5:18-19 All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation.

Why do we need Salvation?

We are all in need of Salvation because we have all sinned.
Romans 3:23 ...for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God...

- God has put a longing in each human heart for eternity, which in essence is God Himself. This longing is only satisfied through Salvation.
 - Ecclesiastes 3:11 He has made everything beautiful in its time. He has also set eternity in the human heart; yet no one can fathom what God has done from beginning to end.
- God loves us, that is why He created a Way for us to be saved.
 - John 3:16 For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.
- God created each of us with a purpose. We can only fulfil that purpose if we have been saved.
 - Ephesians 2:10 For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

How do we receive Salvation?

Acknowledge: You must acknowledge in the light of God's Word that you are a sinner.

"God, be merciful to me, sinner that I am! (Luke 18:13b).

Repent: You must see the awfulness of sin and then repent of it.

"Therefore repent and turn back so that your sins may be wiped out," (Acts 3:19).

Confess: Confess your sins.

"For with the heart one believes and thus has righteousness and with the mouth one confesses and thus has salvation." (Romans 10:10).

Forsake: Sorrow for sin is not enough in itself. We must want to be done with it once and for all.

"The wicked need to abandon their lifestyle and sinful people their plans. They should return to the LORD, and he will show mercy to them, and to their God, for he will freely forgive them" (Isaiah 55:7).

Believe: Believe in the finished work of Christ on the cross.

"Because if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved." (Romans 10:9).

Receive: Christ must be received personally into the heart by faith, if the experience of the New Birth is to be yours.

"But to all who have received him - those who believe in his name he has given the right to become God's children" (John 1: 11-12)