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SALVATION

In systematic theology salvation denotes the whole process by which man is delivered from all that would prevent his attaining to the highest good that God has prepared for him.

---- International Standard Bible Encyclopaedia.

Salvation is the acutely dynamic act of snatching others by force from serious peril. In its most basic sense salvation is the saving of a life from death or harm. ---- Holman Bible Dictionary.

Salvation is the all inclusive word of the gospel gathering into itself all the redemptive acts and processes. ---- Dake's Bible.

It is used as an all-inclusive word to denote all the acts and processes of God's redemption of mankind. ----Andrew Wommack's Living Commentary.

The word "salvation" is found 163 times in the Bible, 118 times in the Old Testament and 43 times in the New Testament. Variations of this word such as "save," "saved," etc. are used hundreds of other times.

Word study

Greek; SOTERIA; SALVATION; The process of deliverance from death.

Gk ; SOTER; SAVIOUR.- The person who does the process of salvation.

Hebrew; YASHA – YESHUA – JESUS.

So great Salvation

Hebrews 2: 3 How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation; which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard him; 4. God also bearing them witness, both with signs and wonders, and with divers miracles, and gifts of the Holy Ghost, according to his own will? ...

1 Peter 1:9-12 Receiving the end of your faith, even the salvation of your souls. [10] Of which salvation the prophets have enquired and searched diligently, who prophesied of the grace that should come unto you: [11] Searching what, or what manner of time the Spirit of Christ which was in them did signify, when it testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ, and the glory that should follow. [12] Unto whom it was revealed, that not unto themselves, but unto us they did minister the things, which are now reported unto you by them that have preached the gospel unto you with the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven; which things the angels desire to look into.

Why Salvation Is Great

1. Its Founder—Christ preached it (*Heb 2:3*)
2. Its price—Death of the only begotten Son of God (*John 3:16; Col. 1:20; 1 Peter 2:24*)
3. Its scope: (1) Time and eternity (*2 Cor. 6:2; Isa 45:17; Heb 5:9*)
(2) Jews and Gentiles (*Romans 1:16*)
4. Its benefits:
 - Physical healing (*Acts 3:16; Acts 4:9-12; Matth 8:17; 1 Peter 2:24; James 5:14*)
 - Soul salvation (*1 Peter 1:9; 2 Cor. 7:10; Ephes. 1:7; 2:8-9*)
 - Deliverances (*Exodus 14:13; Isaiah 33:2*)
 - Joy and peace (*Psalms 20:5; 51:12; Isa 12:3; Rom 5:1-2*)
 - Preservation (*Isa 26:1*)
 - Daily benefits (*Psa 68:19*)
5. Its infinity—it reaches to the greatest depths and the farthest ends to redeem, exalting the redeemed to the highest heavens (*Eph 3:18; Acts 13:47; Psalm 98:3; Isa 49:6*)
6. Its divine source (*Psalm 25:5; 37:39*)
7. Its confirmation (*Hebr 2:3-4; Mark 16:15-20,*)
8. Its basic requisites—Grace and faith alone (*Rom 3:24-31; Eph. 2:8-9; Titus 2:11*)
9. Its exclusiveness (*Acts 4:12*)

10. Its utter simplicity of reception (*John 3:16; Rom 1:16; Rom 10:9-10; 1 John 1:9; Prov 28:13; Psa 32:5*)
11. For it Jesus came to the world- died- rose again.(*Math 1:21, Mark;2;17, Luke 19;10.*)
12. Without it man is destined for eternal death. (*Mark; 16;15-18, Rom; 6;23*)
13. A great destruction awaits all who are not saved (*1.Thes; 1;9, Rom 6;23, Mark; 16;16, John; 3;36*).
14. Jesus has commanded to Preach it; (*Math 28; 18-20, Mark ;16;15-18*)

CREATION OF MAN

Gen; 1;26-27, Gen 2;7, 1 Thess; 5;23.

God -----→Breath of life -----→SPIRIT.

Dust of the Ground -----→BODY.

Spirit + Body-----→ SOUL.

The order in *1 Thess 5;23* is SPIRIT, SOUL,BODY.

1 COR; 3;16 ; that you are God's temple and that God's spirit dwells in you

God's temple has three parts 1. Holy of Holies, 2.Holy place , 3. Outer court. Where God lives is the Holy of Holies.

Man has three parts : spirit, soul, and body.....where God lives and communicates in his spirit.

SPIRIT; The noblest part of man, occupies the innermost area of his being. This is the part where God dwells. We communicate with God and worship him in the spirit. (*John; 4;24*). Our spirit is the real life-giving part of us (*James 2:26* ; For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.) The spirit receives its orders from God and transmits them to the Soul. The soul passes the order to the body and the body obeys and exercises the spirit's order.

The soul is the organ of man's free will. What a man is depends on how his soul is. His soul represents him and expresses his individuality.

THE SOUL

CAN will to obey God; and will allow the spirit to rule over man.

CAN will to disobey God ; and will allow the body to rule over man.

CAN will to disobey God; and will suppress the spirit and it can rule over man.

To be a real spiritual person who has good communication with God (*John 4;24*) and who is led by the Holy Spirit (*Rom; 8;14*) one should know the clear cut difference between the spirit and soul. The only way is *Heb 4;12*; THE WORD OF GOD. The word of God divides the soul and the spirit. The Holy Spirit gives us the experience of this DIVISION.

In the Bible the word 'HEART' usually means Spirit and Soul together.

The BODY is the part which we see and feel with flesh, blood and bones. The body is the shell which houses the soul and the spirit.

THE PURPOSE OF GOD'S CREATION OF MAN

To rule the world - *Gen; 1;28, Psalms; 8; 4 – 6, Heb;2; 7,8.*

To worship God (Fellowship with God) *John 4; 24.*

To show the exceeding riches of His grace; *Eph; 2;7.*

FALL OF MAN

There were 2 important Trees in the Garden of Eden; *Gen; 2;9.*

The Tree of life which is now in the Paradise of God *Rev; 2;7.*

The Tree of the Knowledge of good and evil which was later destroyed.

God's command in *Gen 2; 16. of every tree of the garden you may freely eat but of the Tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.*

'of every tree of the garden you may freely eat' (including the Tree of life...It was God's intention that man should eat the fruit of the Tree of life. *Gen 2; 22-24* ..Only after he sinned, God made the Tree of life unapproachable to man. *Gen 2; 17.*)

‘but of the Tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat’

But Adam disobeyed God, obeyed the Devil, and ate the fruit.

PUNISHMENT FOR DISOBEDIENCE

‘for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.’

SURELY DIE; The death warned about here is SPIRITUAL DEATH;

The consequences of the SPIRITUAL DEATH are

1. PHYSICAL DEATH 2. ETERNAL DEATH.

1. Spiritual Death; Eph; 2; 1,5, Col; 2;13. Separation from God. i.e cessation of all communication between man’s spirit and God.

2. Physical Death; James 2;26, Math 8;22. i.e cessation of all communication between man’s body and the world.

3. Eternal Death; eternal separation from God. Math; 10;28, Rev;21;8.

So man was SPIRITUALLY DEAD and so PHYSICAL DEATH and ETERNAL DEATH followed.

WHAT MAN LOST IN THE FALL

1) Spiritual, physical, and eternal life (*Isaiah 59:2; Romans 5:12-21; Ephes.2*)

(2) Communion with God (*Isaiah 59:2*)

(3) Fellowship with animals (*Genesis 9:2*)

(4) His full dominion over all things (*Psalm 8*)

(5) Freedom from Satan (*John 14:30; 2 Cor. 4:4; Ephes. 6:10-18; Rev. 12:9*)

(6) Perfect God-consciousness (*Genesis 2:25; Genesis 3:7*)

(7) All the power to do good (*Genesis 6:5-7; Romans 7*)

(8) Perfect self-control (*Ephes. 2; Galatians 5*)

(9) The right to access the tree of life (*Genesis 3:22-24*)

(10) His garden home (*Genesis 2:15; Genesis 3:22-24*)

(11) God’s glory (*Romans 3:23*)

(12) Righteousness and true holiness (*Ephes. 4:22-24*)

(13) Perfect health (*Genesis 3:16-19; Matthew 8:17; 1 Peter 2:24*)

(14) All benefits of perfect union with God (*Rev. 21:1-7; Rev. 22:1-3*)

Judgment for sin ; (*Genesis 3:14-19,23-24*). Because of his sin, man reaped sickness, pain, sorrow, misery, condemnation, death, loss of soul, fellowship and union with Satan and demons, an inferior position, power to do and be evil, a life of self-gratification, unclean lusts and habits, unbelief, separation from God, hardships, sufferings, hell, eternal damnation, and other curses too numerous to mention. He became depraved (*Romans 1*), darkened (*Ephes. 4:18*), blind in mind (*2 Cor. 4:4*), defiled in conscience (*Hebrews 10:22*), obstinate and rebellious (*Isaiah 28:14; Romans 8:1-13*), lustful (*Ephes. 2:1-3*), continually evil (*Genesis 6:5*), full of abominations (*Jeremiah 17:9; Mark 7:19-21; Romans 1:18-32; 1 Cor. 6:9-11; Galatians 5:19-21; Col. 3:5-10*) and lost—making all his offspring with all their faculties sinful by nature (*Romans 5:12-21; Ephes. 2:1-3, psalm;51;5, Rom;5;12*) and children of the devil by choice and practice (*John 8:44; 2 Cor. 4:4; Ephes. 2:1-3; 1 John 3:8-10*).

ALL ARE SINNERS. HOW ?

Through Adam’s one act of disobedience, all men had become sinners, (*Romans 3:23 ; For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;*)

slaves to sin, (*Romans 6:17 ;But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you.*)

under the wrath of God (*Ephes. 2:3; Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others.*)

and are in need of a saviour. *Rom; 5;19. Gal; 3;22*

Why adam’s sin is construed to be the sin of all men

Heb; Chapter 7; Abraham paid tithes to Melchizedek. Abraham's great grandson was Levi. Verse 9 says ... even Levi who received tithes paid tithes through Abraham...

But in reality Levi was the great grandchild of Abraham and Levi was not even born at the time when Abraham met Melchizedek.

But the Bible says and takes it for granted that Levi paid tithes THROUGH Abraham to Melchizedek.

Verse 10. for he was still in the loins of his father when Melchizedek met him. So according to the Bible all – all who were born of Abraham - his descendents have paid tithes to Melchizedek and are recipients of the blessings from Melchizedek- because all were in his loins when Abraham paid tithes to Melchizedek.

In the same sense,

when God created Adam He created him with all the people of the earth who were to be born of him – his descendents – in his loins.

So when Adam ate the fruit and sinned, – he became a sinner- and all who were in his loins sinned- and were made sinners. (*Rom 5; 15,18,19.; 3;23, Gal; 3;22*)

In this situation if any one says I AM NOT A SINNER, OR I HAVE NO SIN

The Bible declares that 1. there is no truth in him, 2. he makes Jesus a liar; and 3.the word of God is not in him. *1 John 1; 8-10*. So the Word of God declares.....all are sinners -----all are destined for eternal death

But God cannot allow His original plans to be shattered. He does not want His beloved creation man who was created in His likeness and image, to die eternally. So He promised a REDEEMER – SAVIOUR-JESUS CHRIST, who would come and restore man's dominion and fulfil God's plan and purpose. (*Gen 3; 15, Is. 53, Math; 1;21, Eph; 1.7.*)

IN CHRIST

John; 1;14. When the word became flesh he included all flesh in Himself. Jesus Christ is all inclusive. Hebrews; Chap;7.

How were we created IN CHRIST ?. God has done it...*Eph; 2;10, 1 Cor; 1;30*.

As the action- Disobedience – the sin of Adam is judged to be the action –disobedience –sin of all men. Just as the sin of disobedience of Adam is judged to be the sin (disobedience) of all men, the obedience of one man Jesus Christ is judged to be the obedience, which is righteousness – is considered as the of righteousness of all men. So Jesus is called the last Adam *1Cor;15 :45*. The soul who sins must die. *Ezek18;4* This is announced in the Bible. No animal or angel can suffer the penalty of sin in man's stead. It is man's true nature which sins, therefore it is man who must die. Only humanity can atone for humanity. But because sin is in his humanity man's own death cannot atone for his sin. Man himself cannot make atonement for his sin. (*Jeremiah 13:23 ;Can the Ethiopian change his skin, or the leopard his spots? Then may ye also do good, that are accustomed to do evil.*)

For that reason the Lord Jesus came and took human nature upon himself in order that he might be judged and die instead of Humanity.

At the time Adam sinned, the whole humanity were present in his loins.

Likewise when Christ went to the cross, the whole humanity were present in Him – in His loins. *1 Peter 1:18-21; John 1:14 John 1:29 ;*

Three major problems of humanity and God's remedy for them through Jesus Christ (Sin, Sins and the Power of Sin)

1. Sin (a principle or source of action, or an inward element producing acts. **a principle instigating a person to commit an act of sin**)

Romans 6:6 Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin. Eph 4:22; Col 3:9 (Col 2:11).

The head of sin is Satan (*John 8:44; Rom 5:12, 14; 6:16; Heb 2:14*). Using sin, Satan instigated the old man to commit the acts of sin. Bondage to sin comes by birth. Hence the deliverance from sin can come only by death. This is God's plan of deliverance.

Romans 6:7 For he that is dead is freed from sin.

Our old man should not hear Satan, obey Satan and encourage our body to commit acts of sin. The way God chooses to achieve this is by "crucifying our old man with Jesus on the Cross and killing the old man".

Death of Jesus

Romans 6:6-8 Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin. [7] For he that is dead is freed from sin. [8] Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him:

Deliverance from sin - By destroying the sinning old man

For example, take the problem of a man who drinks. Once he dies liquor will not affect him.

Christ died for us; *Rom 5;8*

Our old man was crucified with him. *Rom 6;6*

We died with Christ; *Rom; 6;8*

To solve the problem of sin, God crucified our old man with Jesus on the Cross. The 'sins' are the acts committed by a man when his old man in obedience to the instigation of 'sin' (the power which instigates man to commit acts of sin) encouraged him. The old man who encourages a man to do acts of sin is now dead. He is no more. Now there is a new man who does not obey sin. So sin cannot rule over a believer now.

2.Sins

Acts of sin: acts committed by man in obedience to the power which instigates him to commit sin

God by forgiving all the sins of humanity through the blood of Jesus, solved the problem of sins. *Lev 17:11; Math 26:28; Heb 9:22; 1 John 1:7.*

JUDGEMENT OF SINS: on the cross

1 John 2:2 ; And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

Before humanity can be forgiven people have to be judged of their sins. So Jesus was judged in place of humanity. It is man's Triune nature spirit-soul-body which sins and enjoys the temporary pleasures of sin.

So on the cross **Jesus' Body** suffered and took all the punishment for the sins of our Body. (Ps. 22, Is; 53, and all the four Gospels record and explain the way his body was beaten, pierced, bruised, cut, and severely wounded.

Jesus' Soul suffered by taking all the punishment for the sins of our soul. *Ps.22, Is 53, and the four Gospels* record the humiliation, nakedness, mocking.

Jesus' spirit also suffered by taking all the punishment (*Math 27;46*). The Holy Spirit of God deserted Him . And He in his spirit resisted the derision of the evil spirit.

THEREFORE, WHEN JESUS WAS JUDGED LIKE THIS, WE WERE JUDGED FOR OUR SINS.....(*Is; 53; 4,5,6, Rom 8;1.*)

Thus the sinful humanity has been judged completely. Jesus Christ is our representative. Each one of us has been judged in him.

Jesus not only took the punishment for our sinful actions (sins), but He also took the sin (i.e the general condition of humanity because of sin) *John 1;29, Rom 5;12,13,20*)

THE BLOOD OF JESUS

Heb; 9;22. And almost all things are by the law purged with blood and without shedding of blood there is no remission.

Why Blood.

Lev 17;11 For the life of the flesh is in the blood and I have given it to you upon the altar to make atonement for your souls for it is the blood that maketh an atonement for the soul.

1 John; 1;7, The blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin.

FORGIVENESS OF SINS

Passover: Ex; 12

Exodus 12:23 For the Lord will pass through to smite the Egyptians; and when he seeth the blood upon the lintel, and on the two side posts, the Lord will pass over the door, and will not suffer the destroyer to come in unto your houses to smite you.

THE LORD SEES THE BLOOD ---- PASSES = FORGIVENESS FOR SINS.

HOW DID JESUS MAKE THE ATONEMENT AND GET FORGIVENESS FOR OUR SINS ? *Heb Chapter 9*

The Bible records a True Tabernacle- Heavenly temple tabernacle in Heaven and Jesus as the high priest. The earthly tabernacle is the shadow of this heavenly tabernacle where the throne of His Majesty is present.

TABERNACLE..... In to the holy of holies went the high priest alone once every year with blood which he offered for himself and for the errors of the people. (Lev 16;14, 23, 37)

THE REAL ATONEMENT OF JESUS; Heb; 9;12 - 15

FORGIVENESS OF OUR SINS.

GOD THE FATHER SEES THE BLOOD OF JESUS - PASSES = FORGIVENESS OF OUR SINS

3. Law of sin (*Rom 7:14-25*)

Romans 7:21 I find then a law, that, when I would do good, evil is present with me.

23 But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members.

The Greek word translated “law” three times in this verse is “NOMOS,” and it means “a force or influence impelling to action”. So these verses are not speaking of the “old self,” or “sin nature,” directly, but rather of its influence.

A born again person does not have sin (sin nature, old man). But in his mind and body there will be the habits of the actions done by the old man. When we see experienced drivers, we can understand this. It looks like their legs and hands are moving involuntarily. That is because this is a habit of many years. Likewise, in the mind, attitude and emotions of a believer there will be many habits left by the old man. For example, if someone hurls a hurting talk, immediately anger and/or sadness arises in the mind. These are the influence of the old man.

The Law of the mind (*Rom 7:23*) The power, influence and rule of our mind

The Law of the Spirit of Life (*Rom 8:2*) The power, influence and rule of the Holy Spirit

Romans 8:1-2 There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. [2] For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.

One of the greatest blessings we receive in salvation is ‘*the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus*’ Rom 8:2 states that this law “hath made us free” from the law of sin. It is in the past tense.

A law is power, principle. Ex . Newton’s second law, the law of gravity. For example, the law of gravity, it is seen everywhere on the earth. Nobody is above the power of it. The only way to overcome that law is to use another law. Here to overcome the law of gravity we have to use the law of motion. In this way planes fly and rockets go to space. Similarly, we have the law/principle of sin and the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus. When this law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus works in a believer, it cancels the law of sin and releases the believer from it.

A saved person can receive the Holy Spirit. With the help of the Holy Spirit present in a believer, they can stand against the law of sin and be free from it.

In this way God solved the problem of the Law of sin.

WHOSE SINS DID JESUS TAKE IN HIS BODY ? WHOSE SINS WERE FORGIVEN?

1 John 2:2 And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

John 1:29 ; Isaiah 53:6 ; John 4:42 ; Romans 5:19 ; 1 Tim. 4:10 ; Hebrews 9:28 ; 1 John 2:2 ; John 3:16-17, John 6:33 ; John 6:51 ; Isaiah 53:11,12 ; 1 John 4:14 ; Hebrews 2:9;

On the cross Jesus took upon him the sins of the all human beings that were born and dead, now living and those who shall be born. The sins of the whole world.

How many sins were forgiven in Hebrews 9:12?

Titus 2:14 Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

Col. 2:13 And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses;

“All” sins have already been forgiven for those who are in Christ Jesus (*Ro 4:8*).

According to Heb 10:10-14, this is speaking of past, present, and even future sins.

Heb 10:10-14 ; 103:3; 103:12 ; John 1:29 ; 1 Peter 2:24 ; 1 John 1:7 ; 2:2 ; 4:10 ; Heb; 1:3, 1 john; 3:5, 1 pet; 3; 18. Ephes. 4:32 ; Gala 1:4; Titus; 2; 14. Rom 3:25. Mark 3:28

All our sins have been dealt with through the atonement of Christ. Those who think future sins cannot be forgiven better think again. Jesus died for our sins 2,000 years ago, before we ever committed sins. The present time then was future time. The sins which are being committed now were then “future sins”. If you think sins cannot be forgiven before they are committed, **then your sins aren’t forgiven.**

FOR HOW LONG IS THE FORGIVENESS APPLICABLE?

Heb 9:25 – 28; 10:10,12,14; 12:23

Hebrews 9:12 Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us.

Ephe 1:7, Col 1:14. Redemption = Forgiveness of sins

This forgiveness stands through eternity. The O.T. sacrifices used the blood of animals as a substitute for the real sacrifice of the Son of God, which was coming. But Jesus' sacrifice wasn't symbolic. It was the real thing. He offered His own life (blood) as a sacrifice for our sins.

The emphasis here is that Jesus entered **ONCE** into the holy place and has obtained **ETERNAL REDEMPTION** for us. Most believers are ignorant of this. They think they only have partial redemption until the next time they sin. That is not true. Hebrews chapter 9 is contrasting the temporary effect of the O.T. sacrifices with the permanent effect of Christ's sacrifice. We have eternal redemption.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF A BELIEVER COMMIT A SIN ?

Romans 6:1-2 ; *What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound? [2] God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?*

Romans 6:15 ; *What then? Shall we sin, because we are not under the law, but under grace? God forbid. 16 ; Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?*

John 10:10 ; *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.*

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

Sin allows Satan to come in and destroy the believer – physically, mentally and spiritually.

Even when God doesn’t remember, impute, or judge sin, sin is still deadly. That is why the New Testament believer should resist sin. God doesn’t bring judgment on His children for their sins, but Satan will. A Christian doesn’t live holy in order to avoid God’s judgment, but so that our enemy won’t have any access to us.

Because of sin a believer may indirectly experience the wrath of God.

Rev. 18:4 And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.

Numbers 16:26 And he spake unto the congregation, saying, Depart, I pray you, from the tents of these wicked men, and touch nothing of theirs, lest ye be consumed in all their sins.

God's wrath is directed towards His enemies, but if we are with the enemy, we might get caught in the line of fire. A good example for this is Lot. Therefore a believer should be away from all kinds of sin.

God may not be able to use a believer because of sin.

2 Tim. 2:20 But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of earth; and some to honour, and some to dishonour.

21 If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honour, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, and prepared unto every good work.

Sin will harden a believer's heart.

Hebrews 3:13 But exhort one another daily, while it is called Today; lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin.

Sin will harden a sinning believer's heart and, if allowed to continue, that could lead him to reject his salvation. He can't lose it, but he can renounce it.

Sowing and reaping (Galatians 6:7-8)

Those who conduct their actions independently of the Spirit of God, and commit sins, are sowing to the flesh. That will bring corruption. If a believer continues to sow to his flesh, and keeps on sinning, it will bring destruction according to this law.

By all means destruction, suffering, diseases, death, etc. will come through sin. If continued, that sin will harden our hearts, and that will ultimately make a believer reject his salvation . So a believer should stay away from any every sin. Sin is deadly.

Deliverence from sin - By the cross

Forgiveness for sins - By the Blood of Jesus Christ

Deliverence from the law of sin - By the Holy Sprit

The problem of sin is solved. The Death penalty is paid and all sins are forgiven. Now no human being has to obey the law of sin which works in the flesh. Humanity is set free from the eternal death. **Humanity is Saved.....Salvation...**

HOW CAN WE RECEIVE THIS SALVATION ?

Receiving SALVATION is the single most important decision one can ever make in his life. This decides where one will spend his eternity - in Hell or in Heaven.

God is offering this salvation to all. (*Titus 2:11 ; For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men*)

God offers this as a free gift. *Ephes. 2:7-8 That in the ages to come He might shew the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us through Christ Jesus. [8] For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:*

Nobody can earn it by doing or not doing something. It is offered as a free gift. Purely it is by Grace through Faith. Faith in Jesus alone brings salvation, any other work, even the best works mentioned in the Bible cannot bring salvation. In fact adding anything else to the Grace makes the grace void. (*Rom; 11:6, Gal.2:21, 5:4,6*)

God, by his Grace, saved this world, and offers this salvation to everyone. But, one has to receive this salvation through faith. (*Ephes. 2:8 ; For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God.)*

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. [10] For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

Romans 10:13 ; For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

All you have to do is, believe, from the above words, what Jesus has done for you, confess Jesus as your Lord and Saviour and, by faith in His Word receive the salvation.

Pray to God ...

“ Lord, I thank you for this truth. Jesus, I confess that you are my Lord and Saviour. I believe in my heart that God raised you from the dead. By faith in your word, I receive salvation now. Thank you for saving me”...

If you have prayed and received the salvation, **you are saved** according to the word of God. If you wish to, you can note down this time and date when you are BORN-AGAIN, as the date you were born. **You are saved now. Hallelujah!**

BENEFITS OF SALVATION.

1. **We are Born-again;** The moment we believe His word, and confess it, His word acts in our Spirit. We become Born-again in our spirit, and we become completely new in our spirit. *2 Cor. 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 (John; 3;3-6).*

2. **We pass from death to life.** (*John 5:24 ;Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.)*

3. **Our newborn spirit is eternally sealed so that it can never again be contaminated by sin.** (*Ephes. 1:13 ; In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that Holy Spirit of promise, 1 John 3:9 Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God.)*

4. **We receive eternal life.** (*John 3:16 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. John 17:3 ; And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.)*

5. **We receive** an intimate loving relationship with God Himself which is the primary objective of salvation

Jesus bore our sicknesses and diseases on the cross. (*Luke 4:18 ; The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because He hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; He hath sent me to heal the broken-hearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised,*

1 Peter 2:24 ; Who His own self bare our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed.)

* He died so that we could prosper. (*2 Cor. 8:9 For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that ye through His poverty might be rich.)*

3 John 1:2 ; Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.)

* and deliverance, right standing with God, and forgiveness are also included.

Although being saved is often assumed to be a one time experience, it is in fact a process. When someone gets saved, they immediately become a totally newcreation in their spirit, their spiritual salvation is complete and they don't need any more faith, joy, or power. It is already present in their spirit and we are complete in Him. *Col. 2:9-10 For in Him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily. [10] And ye are complete in Him, which is the head of all principality and power.*

However, it isn't God's will that we are just changed on the inside. He wants us to manifest this salvation in our physical lives. That takes place by renewing our mind. *Romans 12:1-2 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. [2] And be not*

conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

Man is a spirit, soul, and body. And if we will change our thinking so that we believe what God says in His Word about who we are and what we have, then we will experience the life of God that has been placed in our spirits. If we fail to renew our minds, we can live our entire time on this earth without experiencing the abundant life that Jesus provided for us. (*John 10:10 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.*)

Ultimately, when we go to be with the Lord, our soul will be completely renewed and we will be given a new spiritual body. (*Philip. 3:21 ...who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.*)

1 Cor. 15:44 It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body.)

The process of salvation will then be complete.

AMEN.

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