LESSON 1 What's Salvation All About? (Part 1)

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What Is Salvation?

 Salvation literally means to <u>save</u>, to <u>liberate</u>, to <u>deliver</u>, to <u>heal</u>, or to <u>set free</u>.

Salvation

 Deliverance from sin's penalty and power

Why Does Salvation Exist?

- God cares about man's need.
 - Captive to sin
 - Dead and condemned
 - Spiritually <u>sick</u>, <u>blind</u>, and <u>weak</u>

Condemnation

Guilt and punishment of a crime committed

Why Does Salvation Exist? (cont.)

- God cares about His glory.
- Ephesians 1:6, 12, 14; 3:8-10, 17-21
 - Christ <u>came to earth</u> to reveal God's glory.
 - Christ <u>died on the cross</u> to reveal God's glory.

Why Does Salvation Exist? (cont.)

- The cross of Christ reveals . . .
 - The <u>power</u> of God that surpasses greatness
 - The <u>love</u> of God that surpasses <u>knowledge</u>
 - The grace of God that surpasses riches

Salvation Provided

God's provision

- A <u>Deliverer</u> for the captives (Heb. 2:14–15)
- A <u>Substitute</u> for the condemned (1 Pet. 2:24)

Substitute

Someone who stands in place of another

Salvation Provided (cont.)

- A <u>Healer</u> for the sick(Luke 4:18-19, 21)
- Man's response
 - Acts 16:31

Repentance

Changing one's mind and actions

Faith

 Complete reliance upon someone or something

Results of Salvation

- Freedom instead of bondage
 - From sin's penalty
 - From sin's power
 - From sin's <u>presence</u>(Phil. 1;3-6; Col. 1:24-29)

Results of Salvation (cont.)

- Power instead of weakness
 - To live righteously (2 Pet. 1:3)

Results of Salvation (cont.)

- To see lives transformed by gospel
 - 2 Corinthians 3:1-6
- To overcome death and the grave
 - 1 Corinthians 15:51-57

Regeneration

 New and divine life given by God to those who believe upon the Lord Jesus Christ





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The Necessity of Salvation

- God is holy, but man is a sinner.
 - Habakkuk 1:3
 - Romans 5:12

The Necessity of Salvation (cont.)

- God lives in <u>heaven</u>, but man must go to <u>hell</u>.
 - Matthew 6:9
 - Ephesians 2:2-3

The Necessity of Salvation (cont.)

- God <u>loves</u> man, but man <u>hates</u>
 God.
 - Romans 5:8; John 3:16
 - John 3:19-20

The Definition of Salvation

Five basic words

Regeneration

- Regeneration (John 3:3)—"Born again" or the new birth whereby we pass from death unto life.
- For the sinner
 - John 3:1-8
- It is spiritual.
 - John 3:4-5

Redemption

- Redemption (1 Pet. 1:18-19)—
 Christ paid the price of His blood to purchase us from the slave market of sin.
 - Set free by the payment of a ransom

Redemption (cont.)

- The price of redemption
- The result of redemption
 - Live to the praise of God's glory

Remission

- Remission (Heb. 9:22)—Our sins were put away through the shedding of Christ's blood.
 - God eliminates the barrier between holy God and sinful man.
- God dealt a death blow to sin.

Justification

- Justification (Acts 13:38-39)—
 Through Christ, God <u>declares</u> sinners to be <u>righteous</u>.
- Two aspects
 - Forgiveness of sin
 - Imputation of righteousness

Imputation

 Giving the benefits of penalties of one's actions to another

Reconciliation

- Reconciliation (2 Cor. 5:18)—
 Through Christ, sinners are restored to friendship or harmony with God.
 - An unsaved person hates God and must bear penalty of sin himself.



LESSON 3

What Must I Do to Be Saved?

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The Importance of the Question

The present condition of man

The Unsaved

- The unsaved man—has no joy or understanding; is corrupt and contaminated.
 - No joy or understanding (Prov. 13:15)
 - Is corrupt and contaminated (Titus 1:15)

Unsaved

 Not rescued from sin and in danger of God's judgment

The Saved

- The saved man—is joyful, has understanding, and is pure.
 - Has joy (1 Pet. 1:6)
 - Has understanding (1 John 5:20)
 - Is pure (Titus 2:14)

Saved

 Rescued from sin and judgment by Jesus Christ

The Importance of the Question (cont.)

- The eternal condition of man
 - The unsaved shall be <u>tormented</u> in <u>fire</u> (Mark 9:46).
 - Eternally
 - Mark 9:46
 - Physically
 - Luke 16:23-31

The Importance of the Question (cont.)

The Man in Hell Has . . .

eyes, ears, a tongue, a mind, and feelings

The Importance of the Question (cont.)

- Saved will dwell in heaven
 - John 14:2

The Answer to the Question

- What the answer is not
 - Be baptized

Baptism

 A church ceremony, instituted by Christ, in which a new believer is dipped under water to symbolize Christ's death, burial, and resurrection

The Answer to the Question

- What the answer is not (cont.)
 - Join the church.
 - Do the best you can.

The Answer to the Question (cont.)

- Believe—Place trust in; commit yourself to
 - Synonymous with faith
 - Object of your faith
- Lord—<u>Master; Ruler</u>
 - Romans 10:9

The Answer to the Question (cont.)

- Jesus—<u>Savior</u>
 - Acts 4:12
- Christ—Anointed One; Messiah
 - 1 Peter 2:24

