



Lesson 6 – Salvation

Key Verse: Ephesians 2:8–10

“For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, *it is* the gift of God; not as a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them.”

God’s Sovereignty in Salvation

1. Read Romans 8:29–30. Write out the progression of how God brings someone to salvation.

Verse 29: whom He _____

He also _____

Verse 30: whom He _____

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2. Read Ephesians 1:4–6. What has been God’s plan since before the foundation of the world (verse 4)?

John MacArthur

Grace is “God’s free and sovereign act of love and mercy in granting salvation through the death and resurrection of Jesus, apart from anything men are or can do, and of His sustaining that salvation to glorification.”

God Implements His Plan of Salvation

1. Ephesians 2:1. What is man’s spiritual condition before salvation? _____
2. John 16:8. What does the Holy Spirit do concerning sin? _____

3. 2 Timothy 2:25. What is needed before someone can know the truth? _____
 a. Who grants it? _____
4. John 1:12–13. Who grants us the right to become children of God? _____
5. 1 Corinthians 3:6. Who causes the growth in a believer? _____
6. 1 Corinthians 6:14. Who will cause the resurrection to occur? _____

God Culminates His Plan

1. Philippians 3:20–21. What is going to happen to every believer? _____

2. John 17:24. What is Christ’s desire for those who are His? _____

Conversion

Numbers 21:5–9 records how the children of Israel sinned against God, and so God sent deadly snakes that bit them and caused death. The people realized their sin and asked to be delivered. God told Moses to put a fiery bronze serpent on a pole, and when someone was bit, they could look on it and be saved. This is an illustration of conversion; however, instead of a serpent on a pole, we have Jesus on a cross.

➤ **Repentance: Turning from Sin**

1. Romans 3:20. What has God given people to reveal their sinfulness? _____
2. Acts 2:36–37. When the people realized the mistake they made in crucifying Christ, how did they feel in their hearts? _____
3. 2 Corinthians 7:9–10. What does godly sorrow over sin produce? _____
 a. What does it lead to? _____
4. Hebrews 6:1. What is the foundation of the elementary teaching about Christ? _____

➤ **Faith: Turning to Christ**

When the people who were bitten by the deadly serpent looked at the serpent on the pole, they were exercising faith in what God said.

1. Romans 10:13. What promise is given to those who call on the name of the Lord?

2. Romans 10:8–10.
 - a. What must you confess? _____
 - b. What must you believe? _____

➤ **Becoming Slaves to Righteousness**

1. Romans 8:1–2. For the believer in Christ, what is the penalty for sin? _____
 - a. From what is the believer free? _____ and _____
2. Romans 6:18. When freed from sin, what does a believer become? _____
3. Romans 6:22. What are the benefits that result? _____

Evidence of Salvation

1. What reveals genuine faith?
 - a. James 2:18: _____
 - b. 1 Peter 1:6–7: _____
2. Ephesians 2:10. For what did God prepare believers? _____
3. 1 John 4:7–8. What is true of a person who is born of God? _____
4. Matthew 10:22. Who did Jesus say will be saved? _____
5. 1 Timothy 4:10. What gives us our motivation to endure? _____

Application

1. The believer is not called to salvation because of his own worthiness but because of God’s purpose and grace. How should we then live in response to God’s grace (Eph. 1:4)?
2. The true believer will be convicted of sin and turn from it. His life will be evidenced by a continual repentance from sin and submission to God. How is your life reflecting these truths?