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MIDWEEK BIBLE FELLOWSHIP

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As redemption is through Christ's blood (Eph. 1:7), this "much-more salvation" is in Christ's life (Rom. 5:10). So it is something "organic"—a life process that spans our entire Christian life. Such an "organic salvation" includes:

- **REGENERATION**—our being reborn of God's Spirit with His divine life (*John 3:6, 16*).
- **RENEWING**—our being daily nourished with the fresh supplies of His resurrection life (*2 Cor. 4:16*).
- **CONVERTED** – turning back to love and obedience. It has a strong connection to "salvation", but every verse carries the sense of "turning back" or "turning from to turning towards", and in all cases it is connected with "His own", that is, those described as being God's people. *Acts 15:3; Mark 4:12; Luke 3 22:32-34; Acts 3:19*
- **SANCTIFICATION**—our having Christ as the life element saturate all our inward parts with His nature of holiness (Rom. 6:19, 22).

- **TRANSFORMATION**—our being changed to Christ's image by the riches of Christ's life coming into us as our new element and discharging our old natural element (*Romans 12:2; 2 Cor. 3:18*).
- **GLORIFICATION**—our entire spirit, soul and body being saturated with the glory of God's life, so that our body might be transfigured and conformed to the body of Christ's glory (*Rom. 8:30; Phil 3:21*).
- **PROPITIATION**—what God accomplishes, exercising grace towards sinful man on the grounds of the death of Jesus on their behalf, so that judgement and justice is satisfied. It is man that is reconciled to God through God's action, not God to man through man's action. God removes man's hostility to Himself, as love and hostility cannot co-exist.

Propitiation—is about appeasement, or the means of doing so. It typifies the blood sprinkled on the Holy of Holies by the expiating victim on the day of atonement.
Romans 3:24; 1 John 2:2; 1 John 4:10

- **RECONCILED**
There are three words so translated and is about making a necessary change in a course of action which results in oneness. This is shown in the verses below:
Matt 5:23-24; Romans 5:10

The second word is about making an exchange on an equal basis to become in favor again. This is the word translated as "atonement" in Romans 5:11. Also, see *1 Corinthians 7:11; 2 Corinthians 5:18-19; Colossians 1:21*

The word essentially is about a change from enmity to friendship.

SALVATION:

"Salvation refers to a person's being saved before God, which includes being forgiven of his sins, being spared from damnation (destruction, punishment, hell), being regenerated, having the eternal life of God, and becoming a child of God."

What does it mean to be **SAVED?**



Salvation is deliverance from danger or suffering. To save is to deliver or protect. The word carries the idea of victory, health, or preservation. The Bible uses the words *saved* or *salvation* to refer to temporal, physical deliverance, such as Paul's deliverance from prison (Phil 1:19).

The word "salvation" concerns a spiritual deliverance. Jesus equated being saved with entering the kingdom of God (Matt 19:24-25).

What are we saved *from*? In the Christian doctrine of salvation, we are saved from "wrath," that is, from God's judgment of sin (Romans 5:9; 1 Thessalonians 5:9). Our sin has separated us from God, and the consequence of sin is death (Romans 6:23). Biblical salvation refers to our deliverance from the consequence of sin and therefore involves the removal of sin.

How does God save? God has rescued us through Christ (John 3:17). It was Jesus' death on the cross and subsequent resurrection that achieved our salvation (Romans 5:10; Ephesians 1:7). Scripture is clear that salvation is the gracious, undeserved gift of God (Ephesians 2:5, 8) and is only available through faith in Jesus Christ (Acts 4:12).

How do we receive salvation? We are saved by ***faith***. First, we must ***hear*** the gospel—the good news of Jesus' death and resurrection (Ephesians 1:13). Then, we must ***believe***—fully trust the Lord Jesus (Romans 1:16). This involves repentance, a changing of mind about sin and Christ (Acts 3:19), and calling on the name of the Lord (Romans 10:9-10, 13).

A definition of the Christian doctrine of salvation would be “The deliverance, by the grace of God, from eternal punishment for sin which is granted to those who accept by faith God’s conditions of repentance and faith in the Lord Jesus.” Salvation is available in Jesus alone (*John 14:6; Acts 4:12*) and is dependent on God alone for provision, assurance, and security.

WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED ?

Both Jesus and the apostles (guided by the Holy Spirit) taught that to be saved, it is necessary that one:

Hear	Romans 10:13-17 Revelation 1:3	John 6:45
Believe	John 2:30-31 Acts 16:31	Hebrews 11:6
Repent	Luke 13:3-5 Acts 17:30-31	Acts 2:38
Confess	Matthew 10:32-33 Romans 10:9-10	
Be Baptized	Mark 16:15-16 Acts 2:38	1 Peter 3:21 Acts 22:16
Live Godly	Titus 2:11-14 2 Peter 1:5-11	Romans 12:1-2