

FACTORS IN SALVATION

(Heb. 5:8-9)

INTRODUCTION:

1. Salvation is a most important subject.
2. It means pardon, forgiveness, or redemption.
3. Several contributing factors in salvation.

DISCUSSION:

1. GOD IS THE ORIGINAL FACTOR.

1. Man cannot save himself (Jer. 10:23).
2. All good gifts come from God (James 1:17).

2. CHRIST IS THE SACRIFICIAL FACTOR.

1. Shedding of blood was necessary (Heb. 9:22).
2. Christ died for sinners (Heb. 9:15).
3. Christ is our sacrifice (Eph. 5:2; Heb. 9:22).

3. CHRIST'S BLOOD IS THE PROCURING FACTOR.

1. Shed for sinners (Heb. 9:15).
2. Cleanses us from all sin (1 John 1:7).
3. Provides redemption and forgiveness (Eph. 1:7).

4. HOLY SPIRIT IS THE REVEALING FACTOR.

1. Apostles were guided by Holy Spirit (John 14:26; 16:13).
2. Thereby was the mystery revealed (Eph. 3:1-5; 1 Cor. 2:10).

5. WORD OF GOD IS THE INSTRUMENTAL FACTOR.

1. Must hear and learn (John 6:44-45).
2. Saved by preaching (1 Cor. 1:21).
3. Converted by the Word (Psa. 19:7; Eph. 6:17; Heb. 4:12).

6. FAITH IS THE APPROPRIATING FACTOR.

1. We come to God by faith (Heb. 11:6; John 8:24).
2. Believers are saved (Mark 16:16; Rom. 1:16).
3. Faith without works is dead (James 2:24).

7. OBEDIENCE IS THE CONSUMMATING FACTOR.

1. How we know God (1 John 2:3-4).
2. God saves the obedient (Heb. 5:8-9; Rom. 6:17-18).

8. HOPE IS THE SUSTAING FACTOR.

1. Saved by hope (Rom. 8:24).
2. Christ is our hope (1 Cor. 15:19).
3. Hope is the anchor to our souls (Heb. 6:19).