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2 Tim 2:15 (KJV) Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

God commands us as His children/disciples to study and verify our doctrine. He also commands us to receive correction and give correction. So, if you believe my teachings are in error, the least that should happen is that you contact me and correct me.

2 Tim 3:16-17 (KJV) All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: 17 That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works.

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According to the Gospel of Christ, in order to receive salvation, we need the following: All this must come together, not weeks, months or years apart!

The moment you received your salvation did the following things happen?
Place a check mark on those that you are 100% sure that happened!

- ☐ Did you know that salvation/eternal life is only through Christ? **John 3:15-16, Rom 6:23.**
- ☐ Did you believe the Gospel? **Mark 1:15**
- ☐ Did you believe that Christ is the only begotten son of God? **John 3:18, Acts 8:37.**
- ☐ Did you believe in the Father and the Son? **John 5:24, John 6:47.**
- ☐ Did you believe God the Father raised Christ from the dead? **Rom 10:9, 1 Thes 4:14.**
- ☐ Did you know and understood that believing alone does not save you; just like baptism alone, or good works alone does not save you?
 - Did you know that salvation is only nearer when you believe? **Rom 13:11**
 - Did you know that when you believe, you are sealed only with the promise of salvation? **Eph 1:13.**
 - Did you know that you are sealed with that promise until the day of your redemption/salvation? **Eph 4:30.**
 - Did you know that God has more requirements/conditions we need to meet other than to believe in order to give you eternal life?
Requirements like confessing Christ as Lord and savior, confessing your sins, repenting, obedience, Etc.
- ☐ Did you know that getting baptized is a commandment! **Matt 28:19, Acts 2:38**
- ☐ Did you know that water baptism is also an ESSENTIAL part of salvation? **1 Pet 3:21, Mark 16:16, Col 2:12, John 3:5, Acts 2:38.**

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The following must go together: During your water baptism,

- ☐ Did you confess Christ as Lord and Savior? [Rom 10:9-10, Phil 2:12.](#)
- ☐ Did you repent of your sins? [Mark 16:16, Luke 13:13, Acts 17:30.](#)
- ☐ Did you confess you are a sinner during baptism? [Matt 3:6, Mark 1:5.](#)
- ☐ Did you call upon the Lord (audible)? [Romans 10:9-13, Acts 2:21.](#)
- ☐ Did you get baptized with water in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost? [Matt 28:19. Num 19:7-9, Matt 3:6, Acts 8:36-38, Acts 22:16, Col 2:12.](#)
 - Did the Pastor say the known name of the Father? Did the Pastor say the known name of the Son? Did the Pastor say the known name of the Holy Spirit?
- ☐ Did you get baptized purposely FOR the remission of your sins? [Acts 2:38](#)
 - If or when you got baptized did you get baptized only for the forgiveness of sins?
 - Remission and forgiveness are 2 different things and for 2 different reasons.
 - Or maybe the “Pastor” just said, I baptize you in the name of Christ, with no reason? (No mention of, for the forgiveness of your sins).
- ☐ Did you also “purposely” get baptized for the indwelling of the Holy Ghost? [Acts 19:2-6, Mat 3:16, Mark 1:10, John 1:32,](#)
- ☐ Did the person doing the baptism pray for you and laid hands on you after baptism, in order to receive the indwelling of the Holy Ghost? [Acts 19:2-6. Acts 8:17-19.](#)

Very, very important,

Was the person doing the baptism, called, and ordained by God (like Paul, John, Peter, Matthew, etc.) or the least was he ordained by someone who was directly ordained by God (like Mattias, Stephen, Philip, Prochorus, etc.)!

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Why is it so essential that the person performing a baptism be someone ordained by God—or by someone who was ordained by God?

John 20:21-23 (KJV) Then said Christ to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you. **22** And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost: **23 Whose soever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whose soever sins ye retain, they are retained.** Remember, remission of sins only happens once, so God ordains the person and gives them the authority to remit those past sins. And it is ONLY through that one-time baptism, that their sins will be remitted by God through the baptizer. **John 20:23 (KJV)** Whose soever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whose soever sins ye retain, they are retained. **Forgiveness** of sins happens many times and no human has the authority to forgive sins.

★ If the person who performed the baptism or is preaching, did not explain to you all of the above conditions, then he was NOT ordained by God! And he is a blind leader; in other words, he is a false preacher giving you a watered-down salvation plan. **Matthew 15:13-14 (KJV)** But he answered and said, Every plant, which my heavenly Father hath not planted, shall be rooted up. Let them alone: they be blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch.

To sum it up; Believing is the first thing we do toward salvation and baptism is the last thing that seals us with the promised salvation and “technically” turns our bodies into a temple that can be indwelt by the Holy Ghost! Those who preach that salvation is a free gift of God and all we have to do is believe and know that we have attained salvation, misunderstand the scriptures.

Mark 16:16 (KJV) He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. Everything in between believing and baptism are just more requirements for salvation! Or does anyone truly believe that repenting is not also another requirement and that if we don't repent, they will still go into heaven?

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Is calling upon the Lord as Lord and saviour and even being water baptized not another requirement?

Salvation is a gift from God. But even though salvation is a free gift from God, he has laid down certain conditions upon which he will give it.

There is nothing that we can do to merit salvation. Whether it be believing in Christ, doing the works of God, or being baptized, we can never "earn our salvation". The only way we can show our faith in Christ is if we are willing to accept and be obedient to what He says. But it is after those conditions are met, that God has chosen to impart his wonderful grace of salvation to us as a willing believer.

**” He that hath an ear,
let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.”**

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