**Salvation, Saviour, Saved**

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If you died tomorrow, do you know where you would spend eternity? God wants us to know the answer to this question, without doubt. We can have confidence that the Word of God will instruct us in how we are to conduct ourselves to be worthy of an eternity with Jesus Christ, in heaven. The Spirit of Truth is the Holy Spirit. He leads us and guides us into all truth. (John 16:13)

The salvation process begins when we understand what Jesus did on the cross for our sins. By being buried in a watery grave, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are applying His name to our lives. No other mode of baptism aligns with Scripture. It must be done the way it was done in the Scriptures, the way the Apostles taught us. We find this was the method initiated on the day of Pentecost. Read Acts 2:1-4, 36-39, and Acts 4:10-12.

1. Acts 4:12 Nor is there **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.”
2. Read Jude verse 3Beloved, while I was very diligent to write to you concerning our common \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, I found it necessary to write to you exhorting you to contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints.
3. Hebrews 2:1-4Therefore we must give the more earnest heed to the things we have heard, lest we drift away. **2**For if the word spoken through angels proved steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just reward, **3**how shall we escape if we neglect so great a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed to us by those who heard *Him,* **4**God also bearing witness both with signs and wonders, with various miracles, and gifts of the Holy Spirit, according to His own will?
4. Zehariah 9:9 “Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!  
   Shout, O daughter of Jerusalem!  
   Behold, your King is coming to you;  
   He *is* just and having \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_,  
   Lowly and riding on a donkey,  
   A colt, the foal of a donkey.”
5. Acts 28:25-28 **25**And when they agreed not among themselves, they departed, after that Paul had spoken one word, Well spake the Holy Ghost by Esaias the prophet unto our fathers,**26**Saying, Go unto this people, and say, Hearing ye shall hear, and shall not understand; and seeing ye shall see, and not perceive:**27**For the heart of this people is waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes have they closed; lest they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them. **28**Be it known therefore unto you, that the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of God is sent unto the Gentiles, and that they will hear it.

**Salvation word study**

The word salvation comes from the Greek word *soteria*. It means safe, safely, safety, salvation. It’s used in the KJV as salvation 40 times.

Salvation is originated from the Greek word *Soter*. It is used in the KJV 24 times as Saviour.

Saviour originates from *sozo*. It means to save, therefore; deliver, protect, heal, preserve, do well, be made whole.

What do we see from this word salvation, and from these three Greek word meanings? Salvation originates from Deliverer, God or Christ, our Saviour. The only Saviour that is magnified (lifted up/exalted) in the Bible is Jesus Christ. We see that it is only He that can give us what we need - to have salvation. It is only this revelation and understanding that will cause us to **want** to take on His name, Jesus Christ, in water baptism, by immersion. The BEST part of all this, is that obedience to this command, will make us whole! He delivers us from sin, protects us from our enemies, and preserves us to being ready for heaven - when Judgement day comes.

To sum it up, salvation only occurs when we have a Saviour. When we allow ourselves to have a personal Saviour, we allow him to rescue us from our sinful state. He wants to bring us to a place where we are no longer living to please sin, self, the world, and Satan. Now our sole purpose is to acknowledge Him as King and the one who we choose to serve. We get to serve Him. We get to be able to call Him Father, friend and comforter.

He wants us to come into a personal relationship with Him. This happens when we begin an audible dialogue with Him. This audible conversation leads to an intimate relationship with the One who created us and loves us beyond measure. When we begin this communication back and forth, it leads to an interaction of His Spirit with our spirit. We give voice to the appreciation we have for His love for us and allow His love to permeate our innermost being. The baptism of the Holy Ghost is when we allow Him to come in and take up residence in our soul. This in turn, brings healing from all the detriments of sin in our old man. We become new, and the journey of being born again begins.

Our next lesson is on the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Let’s ask God to prepare our hearts to receive the whole package that is being presented to us through the Holy Scriptures. Here are two final verses to encourage us in this journey, written by Paul.

2 Peter 1:10-11 Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall:For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Philippians 3:14 I **press** toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus!