

The Plan of Salvation

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"For God so loved the earth that He sent His only son"

(John 3:16)

Salvation - one word that stands alone. A word with greater purpose and meaning than all the other words combined in the course of time and events of humankind.

Salvation - the only word with an eternal promise from God - our creator. It is simply not possible, as children of God, to even begin to understand the magnitude of what is promised in this word "salvation" for all those who truly find their way to Him.

"Thomas said to Him, Lord we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way? Jesus answered, "I Am, the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me".

(John 14: 5-6)

This reveals some of the deepest truths to adhere to in one's walk and or journey while here on earth. There is so much packaged in that one passage encouraging to truly live those words and grow in them and you will indeed will find your way home to the endless love God has promised.

Jesus comforted His disciples in John 14:

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God: believe also in me. My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am."

(John 14: 1-3)

What reassuring and comforting words spoken by our Savior, Jesus - the very one who grants eternal joy and happiness derived from salvation.

We were given specific directions from Jesus for our salvation - truly a spiritual GPS system. The path was laid out to follow - no shortcuts through the forest, but the narrow, safe path which leads to our spiritual home - Heaven.

Absorb the words that Jesus spoke:

"I am the way and the truth, and the life"

(John 14:6)

Friends, please understand this concept - Jesus Christ is the only way to God - there is no other way!

In a very complicated world it is a very simple statement that is easy to understand that a mere child could grasp.

"But Jesus called the children to Him and said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these."

(Luke 18:16)

One needs to step back from their life and take a realistic appraisal of where your travels have taken you. Your salvation does not rest upon how much "stuff" you have accumulated. It is not about those that have and do not have. It is not about title to titles. It is not about where you have traveled. It is not even about how many good acts and deeds you have done!

Our present world has been very successful at creating delusions that tempt us and make us believe we are happy and fulfilled. We may be granted earthly happiness for a period of time, but as with all things of this earth it is very short lived.

"Do not store up treasures for yourselves on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up treasures for yourselves in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. for where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

(Matthew 6: 19-21)

Come to the Lord in the most private, intimate and quiet moments. Clear your mind, and allow just you - raw and real - before our Savior. Believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God. Engulf yourself in the gospel through reading and hearing the truth and you will come to understand his teachings and believe His spoken word.

Humble yourself before the One who has been waiting and loving you always. Lay it all out before Him on the altar of His endless love for you. Leave no stones unturned. Sincerely confess to Him that you are a sinner, as we all are, and not worthy to receive Him or any of His gifts and blessings.

"All have sinned and all have fallen short of the glory of God"
(**Romans 3:25**)

Ask for His forgiveness and guidance - He is all merciful and filled with endless love!

Accept His forgiveness and love. He will forgive the truly repentant sinner and bless you with His grace!

Continue to grow closer to Him in prayer, by reading His word, and by those you seek to mentor and guide you. You will experience what you have been searching for all along - though you may not have realized it.

Please make the change - make it now for none of us know the day or hour that we will be called to leave this earth. Become a new creation immersed in God's love-knowing you are now one who will be granted eternal life in God's glorious kingdom. Believe me, the saints in heaven will be joyously celebrating the "new you". Your life will begin to see changes, by the power of the Holy Spirit, unlike anything you have witnessed before - as the old has passed away.

Steps to Salvation are Simple:

1. Accept Jesus as your Lord and Savior
2. Humble yourself before the Lord
3. Confess your sins and ask for His forgiveness
4. Accept His forgiveness and love
5. Hear and live His words every minute of every day

With true confessions and repentance, He will erase the blackboard - the slate of your life is forgiven and you are a New Creation in Him, through Him, and with Him forever. Know that your eternal place has been found with Him forever in His Kingdom!

We ask God to bestow blessings upon you and continue to guide and strengthen you in your Christian steps - continuously building a closer relationship between you and your Savior.

Prayer:

Dear Heavenly Father,

Thank you for the gift of salvation through the sacrifice of your son, Jesus, who died on the cross and rose again so that I might, too, experience abundant and eternal life. Please help me continue to grow in the knowledge of your Word, your ways, and your will for my life and in my daily walk. Help me to live my life pleasing to you - in all that I say, do, and pursue. Thank you for loving me and for having a purpose and a plan for my life. I ask that you fill me with the Holy Spirit so that I may continue to work out my salvation as I desire to live my life for you.

We ask these things in the precious name of Jesus. Amen

Weekly encouragement:

You are not alone! We encourage you to do any one of the following to enable you to grow and encourage you in your daily walk as a new creation.

- Start attending an authentic **Bible teaching** church

- Get connected in a small group or Bible study for spiritual growth and community
- Begin your day with the study and reading of God's Word. It will make a world of difference in your heart, life, and daily interactions.
- Take it to the Lord in prayer. Simply talk to Him. He listens, He answers, and He is a constant friend.
- Share your good news with others!