



# ***The Gospel and Salvation***

## **I am no better than you are!**

That is right! I am no better than you, any world leaders, any poor person, any rich person, terrorists, dictators, godly leaders, etc. In fact everyone that has lived from Adam unto the last person born in the Millennial Kingdom is on the same level in the eyes of Almighty God as I will show from scripture.

Many people think they will go to heaven because they have lived a good life. Perhaps, they treat all of their neighbors fairly. Maybe they volunteer for charity work and have never broken the law. Maybe they were even baptized or go to church regularly or those who go to other places of worship (Synagogue, Mosque, Temple, etc.) think they have earned eternal life.

But the Bible, God's Word, says that no one (yours truly included!) can live up to God's standard of righteousness.

- Romans 3:10 As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one
- Romans 3:22 – 28
- **22** Even the righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe: for there is no difference:

**23** For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;

**24** Being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus:

**25** Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in His blood, to declare His righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God;  
propitiation (**appeasing sacrifice**)

**26** To declare, I say, at this time His righteousness: that He might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus.

**27** Where is boasting then? It is excluded. By what law? of works? Nay: but by the law of faith.

**28** Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith without the deeds of the law.

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- Romans 1:16 – 19
  - 16** For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.
  - 17** For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith.
  - 18** For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness;
  - 19** Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath shewed it unto them.
- Romans 6:23 For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

You can live a good life, do all kinds of works but even the smallest sin will condemn you

- James 2:10 For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all.

Salvation cannot be earned. Everyone is a sinner and deserves death (physical and eternal separation from God), but God gives eternal life. So how can we receive God's gift of eternal life?

How does believing this Gospel save us?

- Romans 5:8 – 9
  - 8.** But God commendeth His love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.
  - 9.** Much more then, being now justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him.

We can be saved from the wrath of God, because Jesus Christ, the Son of God, died on the cross as a sacrifice for our sins and rose from the dead. He paid the price for us, and we are justified in God's eyes through our faith in the blood of Jesus Christ.

- Ephesians 2:8 – 9
  - 8** For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:
  - 9** Not of works, lest any man should boast.

To be saved, we must believe the Gospel. The word "Gospel" means "good news". But before we can believe the good news, we have to know what it is.

Personal SALVATION is by God's grace, through faith in the crucified, risen, and glorified Lord Jesus Christ (Yeshua the Messiah). (Death, Burial, Resurrection and His SHED BLOOD!)

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This is the Gospel which we must believe in order to be saved!

- 1 Corinthians 15:1 – 4
  - 1** Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the Gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand;
  - 2** By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain.
  - 3** For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures;
  - 4** And that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures:  
(On Verse 3 – Refers to the OLD Testament Scriptures)  
Definition: Deliverance from Eternal Death (Eternal Separation from God) and Possession of Eternal Life (Eternal life begins at the point of believing)

You must believe the Gospel with ALL your heart! Not just mentally! You can believe that Gospel with all your heart right where you are and have eternal life/be saved!

- Romans 10:9 – 13
  - 9** That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.
  - 10** For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.
  - 11** For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on Him shall not be ashamed.
  - 12** For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon Him.
  - 13** For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.
- Acts 16:31 Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved

There will be no boasting in heaven. We cannot be saved by our own righteousness, but only by God's grace, through faith.

- Acts 4:12 Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.
- John 3:16 For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Perish – Separation from God, Eternal Death, Eternal Punishment

Does NOT mean to be annihilated, to be nothing, to evaporate

God PROMISES whosoever believeth in the Lord Jesus Christ will NOT perish! Period!

- John 3: 17 – 18
  - 17** For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be saved.
  - 18** He that believeth on Him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.