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## **Truths That Make A Difference: Salvation**

**Acts 4:12** - *There is salvation in no one else! God has given no other name under heaven by which we must be saved.*

### **Every Believer Should Have A Clear Understanding Of Salvation**

**Ephesians 1:4-5** - *Even before he made the world, God loved us and chose us in Christ to be holy and without fault in his eyes. <sup>5</sup> God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure.*

### **We Were All Born Guilty Before God**

**Romans 5:12** - *When Adam sinned, sin entered the world. Adam's sin brought death, so death spread to everyone, for everyone sinned.*

#### **1. Salvation Is Entirely A Work Of God.**

### **It Was God Who Said What He Was Going To Do**

**2 Corinthians 5:19** - *For God was in Christ, reconciling the world to himself, no longer counting people's sins against them. And he gave us this wonderful message of reconciliation.*

#### **2. Salvation Is Entirely Of Grace.**

**Romans 5:8-11** - *But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners. <sup>9</sup> And since we have been made right in God's sight by the blood of Christ, he will certainly save us from God's condemnation. <sup>10</sup> For since our friendship with God was restored by the death of his Son while we were still his enemies, we will certainly be saved through the life of his Son. <sup>11</sup> So now we can rejoice in our wonderful new relationship with God because our Lord Jesus Christ has made us friends of God.*

**Hebrews 6:17–20** - God also bound himself with an oath, so that those who received the promise could be perfectly sure that he would never change his mind. <sup>18</sup> So God has given both his promise and his oath. These two things are unchangeable because it is impossible for God to lie. Therefore, we who have fled to him for refuge can have great confidence as we hold to the hope that lies before us. <sup>19</sup> This hope is a strong and trustworthy anchor for our souls. It leads us through the curtain into God's inner sanctuary. <sup>20</sup> Jesus has already gone in there for us. He has become our eternal High Priest in the order of Melchizedek.

### **God's Plan Was To Build A People Of Faith**

**1 Corinthians 15:22** - Just as everyone dies because we all belong to Adam, everyone who belongs to Christ will be given new life.

**Ephesians 1:10** - And this is the plan: At the right time he will bring everything together under the authority of Christ—everything in heaven and on earth.

### **This Truth Makes A Difference Seen In Deliverances, Healings And Restored Lives**

**John 3:3** - Jesus replied, "I tell you the truth, unless you are born again, you cannot see the Kingdom of God."

**Romans 10:9-13** - If you openly declare that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup> For it is by believing in your heart that you are made right with God, and it is by openly declaring your faith that you are saved. <sup>11</sup> As the Scriptures tell us, "Anyone who trusts in him will never be disgraced." <sup>12</sup> Jew and Gentile are the same in this respect. They have the same Lord, who gives generously to all who call on him. <sup>13</sup> For "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

**Ephesians 2:9** - Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it.

**Titus 3:5-7** - he saved us, not because of the righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He washed away our sins, giving us a new birth and new life through the Holy Spirit. <sup>6</sup> He generously poured out the Spirit upon us through Jesus Christ our Savior. <sup>7</sup> Because of his grace he made us right in his sight and gave us confidence that we will inherit eternal life.