

How to be Saved

Components of Salvation

A. Faith

- 1) Genuine (Romans 10:9)
- 2) In Jesus Christ alone (John 14:6)

B. Repentance/ Lordship (submission, TLC)

Scriptures: Mark 6:12; Matt. 9:13; Luke 13:3-5; 16:30; II Peter 3:9, 15; II Chron. 7

- 1) Genuine (no lip service) Matt. 15:8-9 (Mark 7:6-7); Isaiah 1:11-20; 29:13; Luke 6:46
- 2) Complete (no darling lusts) Mat. 5:27-30; 18:8-9; Mark 10:17-23
- 3) God initiated and accompanied by contrition: II Cor. 7:10; Rom. 2:4; Acts 5:31; I Cor. 1:9; Rom. 8:30,33; John 6:44; 17:2

• Prerequisites to Repentance/Submission

- a. Knowledge of sin: We can't turn from sin if we don't know what sin is. Gal. 3:24
- b. Count the cost of a life of repentance and submission: There must be a point when we decide on a TLC. We don't fall away with a failure to submit because God sustains those who are genuinely in Him. Luke 14:26-33; Mat. 10:37-39; 16:24-25 (Mark 8:34-37; Luke 9:23-25); Luke 17:33; 18:18-30 (Matt. 19:16-26; Mark 10:17-27)
- c. Contrition: The proud heart must be broken before it can truly commit to Christ. Prov. 3:34; I Peter 5:5; Jas. 4:6-10; Mark 4:16 (Matt. 13:20; Luke 8:13); Matt. 11:21; 18:3-4; Acts 2:37; II Cor. 7:10

Challenges to Repentance

- A. The book of John (Rebuttal: John 3; 7:17; 8:42-44; 10:27-28; Ch. 14, 15; Purpose: 20:31)
- B. The book of Romans as a complete gospel tract: Paul built off of a foundation that was already there. I Cor. 4:17; Acts 15:21
- C. Literal definition of repentance: "Meta":change, after; "Noeo":knowledge, mind. All changes must be from "A" to "B". Matt. 9:13; 12:41; Luke 13:3; Is. 55:6-7; 59:20; Ps. 66:18; I Peter 1:15; Jer. 8:6; Is. 1
1) Jesus ministry was repentance (Matt. 4:17), but his message wasn't to proclaim his Messiahship. Mark 1:24-25 (Luke 4:31-37); Mark 1:34; Matt. 9:30; Matt. 12:16
- D. Philippian jailer (Acts 16)
- E. Thief on the cross
- F. Repentance/ Lordship/ Submission a work: Eph.2:8-9 (Rebuttal Rom. 4:4 and Verses from B>3)
- G. Romans 10:9, 13 (Rebuttal: Romans 10:3; 1:5-6)
- H. Number of times repentance/believe used
- I. Disposition of grace (Acts 20:21-24)

Key Points

- A. Without Lordship, there is only hypocrisy, and no hypocrite will enter heaven.
- B. What is the result of repentance of breaking God's Moral Law?

Key Verses

- A. No loss of salvation with willful sin: I John 1:6-2:1; Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:2 (5 better than statements); Heb. 11 (obedience as evidence of true faith); Heb. 12, esp. verse 4;

Definitions

Contrition: Godly sorrow produced by a profound, genuine, heartfelt sorrow for sin

Repentance: A **decision** to turn from a life of sin to a life of submission to God

TLC: Total life commitment