

Confess and Believe

...that if you confess from your mouth and believed in your heart ...You will be Saved” Romans 10:9

Understanding Salvation by Ps. Shalom

Salvation comes from the Greek word *soteria*, which means "deliverance, preservation and safety." It primarily involves deliverance from the bondage of sin (Romans 9:20-23; Galatians 5:1). Salvation also includes deliverance from enemies (Luke 1:71) and sickness and disease (Isaiah 53:4 The Amplified Bible; Matthew 8:17; 1 Peter 2:24).

Salvation is a gift that is made available to those who repent, believe and confess that Jesus is Lord and that He died and rose from the dead to save mankind (Acts 16:31; Romans 10:9-10). This gift cannot be earned through good deeds or by simply being a "good person" (Ephesians 2:8; 1 Timothy 1:9). It is a matter of faith (acting out on what you believe according to God's Word concerning salvation).

Steps to Complete Salvation

1. Recognize/Admit That You Are a Sinner ; Because of Adam's sin of disobedience in the Garden of Eden, all of humanity was affected by, and infected with, sin (Romans 5:12-14). Mankind took on the nature of sin. Therefore, everyone that was born after Adam was born into a life of sin and death (Psalm 51:5).

2. Repent of Your Sins: To repent simply means to "change one's mind; to change one's direction; to have a change of heart." It involves making a 180-degree turn away from sin and heading in the right direction toward God. Repentance does not mean "I'm sorry." It is a quality decision to ask forgiveness of your sins, turning away from ungodly

living and submitting to God's will for your life (1 John 1:9).

3. Confess Jesus as Lord and Savior: Confession affirms Jesus' lordship (place of authority) over your life. Confess that He is your Lord and believe that He lived, died and was raised from the dead for the forgiveness of your sins.

4. Be Baptized in Water and Receive the Baptism in the Holy Spirit: Water baptism is a symbolic representation of Jesus' death, burial and resurrection. Just as He was baptized, so must you be baptized (Matthew 3:6). You go down into the water, carrying your old man (lifestyle) with you, and die to yourself and your old way of living (Romans 6:3-11). When you come up out of the water, you are a "new" person.

When you become born again, the Holy Spirit takes up residence in your heart to become your Teacher, Comforter and Guide through life (John 14:15-17, 23, 26).

5. Obey the Word of God: Maintaining your salvation and enjoying its benefits is done by living according to God's Word (Proverbs 3:1-4; 1 John 5:3). Make His Word the *final authority* by which you live. Make sure every decision you make in life is biblically based. The Word must be your foundation.

Pray This Prayer: Heavenly Father, I recognize and admit that I am a sinner. I turn away from my sins, confess with my mouth and believe in my heart that Jesus is Lord. I believe that He lived, died and was raised from the dead for my salvation. I receive my salvation and all of its benefits right now. Lord, thank You for saving me this day. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen!

Many people know about God, but few have had a life-changing encounter with Him. Having a personal relationship with the true living God involves understanding and accepting five basic principles. The goal for today is that you would be able to answer the following question with a resounding "YES": If you were to die today do you know where you would spend eternity? If yes, what do you base that "Yes" on? If your answer was "no" or even if you were unsure...today is for YOU!!!

Principle #1: God loves you and offers an incredible plan for your life.

All throughout the Bible there is passage after passage that talks about how much God loves us. The greatest example of this was when He sent His only Son into the world to die for our sins. But even today, he watches over you and pursues you to have a relationship with you.

Principle #2: Man is sinful and separated from God.

"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." Romans 3:23 "For the wages of sin is death." Romans 6:23

...because through sin, we are separated from God...and therefore cannot get to God on our own, for where He is, there can be no sin. But just when it appeared that all was lost,

Principle #3: Jesus Christ is God's only provision for man's sin.

"But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." Romans 5:8 Now here is the incredible part, it was His death that paid for your sins and mine, all the ones we have committed as well as any we will commit in the future. There had to be a blood sacrifice... and Jesus willfully gave his for you and for me. Christ died for our sins...He was buried...He was raised on the third day, according to the scriptures... He appeared to Peter, then to the twelve (disciples). After that he appeared to more than five hundred others..." I Corinthians 15:3-6

Principle #4: Jesus is the only way to God.

This is the hardest one for many people to believe. There are no other "paths" to God or "ways" of salvation. While this is "many paths to God" theory is popular in the minds of many and even some modern-day churches, it is a lie designed to keep people from the truth of Jesus Christ.

"Jesus said to him, I am the way, the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father except through me." John 14:6

It is impossible to be a God follower without accepting God's son Jesus. Jesus is the way...the only way to salvation for mankind. It was Jesus who died on the cross to pay the penalty for our sins, and it is Jesus that we must accept and come in to relationship with if we are to be called by His name...Christians, which means "followers of Christ".

Principle #5: You must receive Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.

"But to as many who received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name." John 1:12

For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as a result of works, that no one should boast." Ephesians 2:8-9 We must individually receive Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.

Time of decision ...Pray & Accept!

Dear Jesus, I need You in my life. I acknowledge that I have sinned and I come to You right now confessing that and asking your forgiveness. Thank You for dying on the cross for my sins. I believe You are the Son of God and that You rose from the dead and are alive today. I open the door of my heart and receive You as my Savior and Lord. Thank You for forgiving my sins and giving me eternal life. take control of my life from here forward and make me the kind of person you want me to be. In Jesus' name I pray, Amen.

Drunk People Do Crazy Things! By Ps. Kevin Dednon

It is true, drunk people do crazy things. They will say the craziest things to anyone who will listen (even if they won't listen). They will laugh out loud, oftentimes for no apparent reason, and without any sensitivity to their surroundings whatsoever. They will dance, fall on the ground, sway as they walk, and completely sacrifice their personal dignity. Why? Because they are drunk....

They are not concerned with what people think about them at the moment. They have lost all fear of man, not concerning themselves in the least with the aftermath of humiliation that is sure to follow their actions. They therefore express themselves freely. Because Drunk people do crazy things!

In Ephesians 5:18, the Apostle Paul gives this instruction to Christians: "Do not get drunk with wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit" (NIV).

This word "debauchery" means to be so influenced by the effects of alcohol that one loses all inhibition, so that they do things of negative and evil consequence that they would not do if they were sober. In other words, debauchery is doing crazy things that you are really ashamed of the next morning.

Being filled with the Spirit, on the other hand, causes one to do crazy things, but the difference is that those things are things that you are proud of the next morning. Interestingly, the phrase, "be filled", is not a one time event. In the Greek, this is a present tense verb, which has a continual sense associated with the action. So, more accurately, Paul is instructing the Church to "be continually filled with the Spirit"; to drink everyday, the "new wine" of the Spirit. Why? Because drunk people do crazy things!

On the Day of Pentecost, in Acts chapter 2, the Church was filled with the Holy Spirit. In verse 13, the crowd made fun of them and said "they have had too much wine". Peter's response to this accusation is found in verse 15: "These men are not drunk as you suppose...". Notice, he does not deny the fact that they are drunk, or at the least, acting drunk. He simply lets them know that they are not

drunk in the way that they think that they are drunk. The source of their drunkenness is not due to the wine of the world, but rather the new wine of the Holy Spirit. He explains all of this in verse 17, as he outlines the fulfilled prophetic promise of Joel that God would pour out His Spirit on all people.

Notice that Peter got out of the box, crazy, as he found the courage to stand up to address the crowd of onlookers. This is the same Peter that denied the Lord three times! And now he has unabashed boldness to preach the Gospel to the same angry crowd that had earlier crucified Jesus. The only thing that can explain this uninhibited behavior is the fact that he was drunk. Drunk people do crazy things. And I'm sure he was very proud of his actions the next morning, especially when he realized that 3,000 people had been saved as a result of his boldness under the influence of the Spirit!

Jesus has commanded us to do crazy things like heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, and cast out demons; to preach the message of the Kingdom (Matt. 10:7,8). He has commanded us to be His witnesses in the whole earth as his ambassadors (Acts 1:8; 2 Cor. 5:20). He told Ananias, through a supernatural vision, to go to Saul's house on Straight Street and lay hands on him to receive his sight, which was a crazy proposal given the fact that Saul was arresting Christians and giving approval for their executions (Acts 9).

Interestingly, after learning to let the Holy Spirit influence my mind, I began to live under the influence (LUI), I began to do things that I would ordinarily never try like praying for someone to be healed. Amazingly, people started getting healed. I have found that most people have a hard time stepping out in risk in the Kingdom because they are too intimidated by what others will think.

I want to suggest that you try getting absolutely drunk on the Spirit of God until you have no inhibitions left, and just see what kind of great "crazy" things God can do through your life. Remember, drunk people do crazy things!

Step 1 - RECOGNIZE God's Plan for Your Life
 God's Purpose: Peace and Life

God loves you and wants you to experience peace and life -- abundant and eternal.

The Bible says ... "We have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." --Romans 5:1 (NIV) Only those who have been made the decision to accept Christ's substitutionary payment for the forgiveness our one's sins can experience Christ's justification.

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life." --John 3:16

Step 2 - REALIZE our problem
 The Problem: Our Separation

God created us in His own image to have an abundant life. He did not make us as robots to automatically love and obey Him. God gave us a will and a freedom of choice. We chose to disobey God and go our own willful way. We still make this choice today. This results in separation from God.... "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." --Romans 3:23 (NIV) "For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." --Romans 6:23 (NIV)

Our Attempts to Reach God...People have tried in many ways to bridge this gap between themselves and God ...The Bible says ... "There is a way that seems right to a man, but in the end it leads to death." --Proverbs 14:12 (NIV)

"But your iniquities have separated you from your God; your sins have hidden his face from you, so that he will not hear." --Isaiah 59:2 (NIV)...No bridge reaches God ... except one.

Step 3: RESPOND to God's remedy found in the cross of Christ
 God's Bridge: The Cross

Jesus Christ died on the Cross and rose from the grave. He paid the penalty for our sin and bridged the gap between God and people.... "For there is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man Jesus Christ." --1 Timothy 2:5 (NIV)

"For Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God." --1 Peter 3:18
 "But God demonstrates his own love for us in this

While we were still sinners, Christ died for us." --Romans 5:8 (NIV) God has provided the only way. Each person must make a choice.

Step 4 - RECEIVE God's Son as our personal Savior and Lord

Our Response: Receive Christ

We must trust Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and receive Him by personal invitation.

The Bible says ... "Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with him, and he with me." --Revelation 3:20 (NIV)

"Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God." --John 1:12 (NIV)

"That if you confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved." --Romans 10:9 (NIV)

Where are you?
 Will you receive Jesus Christ right now?

Here is how you can receive Christ:

1. Admit your need (I am a sinner).
2. Be willing to turn from your sins (repent).
3. Believe that Jesus Christ died for you on the Cross and rose from the grave.
4. Through prayer, invite Jesus Christ to come in and control your life through the Holy Spirit. (Receive Him as Lord and Savior.)

Step 5 - Prayer to personally receive Christ as your Savior and Lord.

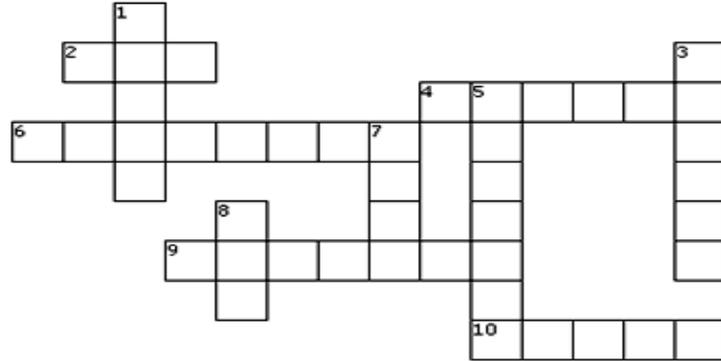
Dear Lord Jesus, I know that I am a sinner and need Your forgiveness. I believe that You died for my sins. I want to turn from my sins. I now invite You to come into my heart and life. I want to trust and follow You as Lord and Savior. In Jesus' name. Amen.

God's Assurance: His Word

If you prayed this prayer, The Bible says ... "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." --Romans 10:13 (NIV)

GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD!

John 3:16-17 (NIV)



ACROSS

2. The creator of heaven and earth
4. To die or be destroyed
6. Accepts something as being true, genuine, or real
9. To set the punishment of someone who has committed a crime
10. Cared very deeply for someone

DOWN

1. The earth with its inhabitants and everything upon it
3. Anyone; any person
5. Lasting forever; without end
7. To rescue from danger or harm
8. Male offspring

CHECK YOUR ANSWERS

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JOHN 3:16
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Birthday Celebrities



Promise Word:



ANNIVERSARY

1. Mr. Edward and Mrs. Rita - 11th June
2. Mr. Sam and Prajna Devadattha - 27th June



service *Times*

Come & Worship with Us

Faheheel @ 10 am
Annex Hall @ 4pm (Kan)
Hall of Hope @ 6pm

On Sunday @ TLC Upper Room @ 6:45pm

CELL MEETING

... be filled with the Spirit!



ephesians 5:18

Every Monday

Salmiya - 7pm

Faheheel - 7pm

Bro. Maxwell

Bro. Richard

Birth News...

Mr. Samuel & Sunaina Sadanada Family
 blessed with ' a baby girl 'on 10th May 13

Wishes & Blessings from KCK

Marriage...

1. Dayanada & Vinutha - 8th May 13
2. Joel & Sharon - 18th May 2013

Wishes & Blessings from KCK

Summer Vacation

FBS / TIGHT

(June to Aug 13)

Night Prayer

27th June 13 (Faheheel & Salmiya)

Month of Salvation (Acts 4:12)

Pray - Share - Witness