

# What the Bible teaches about Salvation

- Acts 16:30-31 (NASB-U) *and after he brought them out, he said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" [31] They said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household."*

- Luke 19:10 - *"For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost."*
- Luke 15 – The lost sheep was found, the lost coin was found, the lost son returned.
- Acts 4:12 (NASB-U) *"And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved."*

# TULIP

- **T**otal Hereditary Depravity
- **U**nconditional Election
- **L**imited Atonement
- **I**rresistable Grace
- **P**erseverance of the Saints.

- John 3:16 (NASB-U) *“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.”*

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What is atonement or propitiation?

“The reconciliation of God and humans brought about by the redemptive life and death of Jesus Christ.”

- 2 Peter 3:9 - *The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance.*
- 1 Timothy 2:4 - *who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.*

# MUST BE IN AGREEMENT WITH GOD'S WILL—

- Matthew 7:21 (NASB-U) "*Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father who is in heaven will enter.*"
- Luke 6:46 (NASB-U) "*Why do you call Me, 'Lord, Lord,' and do not do what I say?"*

- Hebrews 5:9 (NASB-U) *And having been made perfect, He became to all those who obey Him the source of eternal salvation,*
- John 3:36 "*He who believes in the Son has eternal life; but he who does not obey the Son will not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him.*"

# OBEY ALL OF GOD'S WILL

- 2 Timothy 2:15- (NASB-U) *Be diligent to present yourself approved to God as a workman who does not need to be ashamed, accurately handling the word of truth.*
- Any understanding that brings the Word of God into conflict with itself cannot be the proper one.

- Acts 16:31 - *They said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household."*
- Luke 13:3 (NASB-U) *"I tell you, no, but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish."*
- Rom 10:9-10 – *"that if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved; for with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation."*

# What about being baptized?

- Did Jesus command us to believe to be saved?
- John 8:24 - *"Therefore I said to you that you will die in your sins; for unless you believe that I am He you will die in your sins."*
- To repent?
- To make a confession?

- **Did Jesus include baptism in the same way as the previous commands?**
- Mark 16:15-16 (NASB-U) *And He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation. [16] "He who has believed and has been baptized shall be saved; but he who has disbelieved shall be condemned.*
- Matthew 28:18-20 (NASB-U) *And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. [19] "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, [20] teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."*

- So if I am going to do ALL the will of God, if I am going to accept all His teachings concerning salvation by putting them together. Then baptism is included in His plan and will.
- Acts 2:38 (NASB-U) *Peter said to them, "Repent, and each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.*
- Acts 2:41 – *Those who received his word were baptized.*

- Acts 8 – The conversion of the Ethiopian Eunuch.
- Acts 8:36 (NASB-U) *As they went along the road they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look! Water! What prevents me from being baptized?"*
- Acts 18:8 - *Crispus, the leader of the synagogue, believed in the Lord with all his household, and many of the Corinthians when they heard were believing and being baptized.*

1 Corinthians 1:14 - *I thank  
God that I baptized none of  
you except Crispus and  
Gaius*

# Does God command different ways to be Saved?

- Ephesians 2:8-9 - (NASB-U) *For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; [9] not as a result of works, so that no one may boast.*

- Titus 3:5-7 – *“He saved us, not on the basis of deeds which we have done in righteousness, but according to His mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit. Whom He poured out upon us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by His grace we would be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.*
- The washing of regeneration – Romans 6:3-4
- The verse that EXCLUDES salvation by works, INCLUDES baptism.

# WHY IS BAPTISM SO IMPORTANT?

- It is important because it is a commandment of God.
- Second, baptism is crucial to our salvation—because of the blessings God gives us at this point in our obedience.
- He cleanses us of our sins. Acts 2:38; 22:16; Romans 6:3-7
- We are saved at this point. Acts 2:41 & 47; Mark 16:16
- When we are baptized, we are baptized into Christ Galatians 3:26-27
- We become children of God Galatians 3:26-27; John 3:5

**HAVE YOU DONE THESE THINGS?**

**HAVE YOU OBEYED ALL OF GOD'S  
WILL?**