



- 1.** All men and women are sinners before God, possess a fallen nature from birth, and cannot save themselves from God's wrath.
Psalms 51:5; Romans 3:9–12, 23; 5:12; Ephesians 2:1–5; Titus 3:3–5
- 2.** God has made salvation available to lost humanity through the sacrificial death and shed blood of Jesus Christ, whose atonement was provided for all people of all time.
John 1:29; 3:16–17; Ephesians 1:7; 1 Timothy 2:4–6; Hebrews 2:9; 1 John 2:2
- 3.** God brings people to faith in Christ through the proclamation and hearing of the Gospel message.
Romans 1:16; 10:14–17; 1 Corinthians 1:21; Ephesians 1:13; 2 Thessalonians 2:14
- 4.** The Gospel declares that salvation rests entirely on God's undeserved grace and is received as a free gift through faith alone in Christ alone, apart from any human merit or works.
John 3:16; Romans 3:24–28; 4:4–5; Ephesians 2:8–9; Titus 3:5–7
- 5.** God the Father and the Holy Spirit work in a sinner's heart and mind to bring understanding and conviction, drawing that person to recognize the truth of the Gospel and respond in faith to Jesus Christ.
Mark 1:15; Luke 24:47; Acts 11:18; 17:30; 20:21; 26:20; 2 Peter 3:9

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- 6.** Repentance is the internal shift (change of mind) that re-orientates the heart toward Christ so that the guilty sinner acknowledges his own sinfulness and his need of forgiveness based on the atoning work of Christ on the cross.
Luke 24:47; Acts 11:15-18; 17:30; 26:20; 2 Peter 3:9
- 7.** When a person places faith in Jesus Christ, God justifies that person by declaring him or her righteous and granting eternal life.
John 5:24; 6:47; Acts 10:43; 13:38-39; Romans 4:5; 5:1
- 8.** All whom God has justified are eternally secure in Christ and will never lose the salvation that God has given them.
John 5:24; 6:37-40; 10:27-29; Romans 8:29-39; Ephesians 1:13-14; 4:30; 1 Peter 1:3-5
- 9.** Those who trust Christ as their Savior are the elect and have been predestined to adoption, inheritance, glorification, and ultimate conformity to Christ.
Romans 8:28-30; Ephesians 1:4-5, 11-13; 2 Thessalonians 2:13; 1 Peter 1:1-2
- 10.** From the moment a person believes in Christ, that believer may possess complete assurance of salvation based on the trustworthy promises of God's Word rather than upon personal feelings or performance.
John 5:24; 6:47; 20:30-31; Romans 5:1; 1 John 2:25; 5:11-13

