

Foundations of Faith
Salvation and the Believer

- What is sin?
 - Isaiah 1:2
 - Isaiah 53:6
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- Three Categories of Temptation:
 - *“For all that is in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—is not of the Father but is of the world”* (1 John 2:16).
 - _____
 - _____
 - _____
 - Where is the battle of temptation lost or won? - _____
 - James 1:13-15

Dietrich Bonhoeffer - With irresistible power desire seizes mastery over the flesh. It makes no difference whether it is sexual desire, ambition, vanity, desire for revenge, love of fame and power, or greed for money. Joy is extinguished in us, and we seek all our joy in the creature. At this point God is quite unreal to us, he loses all reality, and only desire for the creature is real. Satan does not fill us with hatred for God, but with forgetfulness of God. The lust aroused envelopes the mind and will of man in deepest darkness. The powers of clear discrimination and decision are taken from us. The questions present themselves: “Is what the flesh desires really sin?” Is it really not permitted?” It is here that everything within me rises up against the Word of God.

- Who sins?
 - Romans 3:23
- The effects of Adam's decision on us today:
 - Sin entered the world through one man, _____ - Romans 5:12
 - Adam's sin _____ man from God - Genesis 3:22
 - Adam's sin resulted in both _____ and _____ death for man:
 - Physical Death - separation of the _____ from the body, Genesis 3:19;
 - Spiritual Death - separation of the soul from _____ - Romans 6:23, 2 Thessalonians 1:8-10, Revelation 21:8
 - Therefore, I sin because I am a _____.
- Christ was tempted in every category that we are tempted:
 - Hebrews 4:15
 - Lust of the flesh
 - Luke 4:2-3
 - Lust of the eyes
 - Luke 4:5-7
 - The Pride of life
 - Luke 4:9-11
 - The Difference:
 - Christ is tempted from _____.
 - We are tempted from _____
 - James 1:14-15

SALVATION

- Soteriology is _____.

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- Definition of Salvation - Being saved from the _____, _____ and _____ of sin in our life and being saved from eternity _____.
- What is God's free gift (grace) to us?
 - John 3:16-17
 - Romans 6:23
- What do we put our faith in for salvation?
 - Romans 10:9-10, 13
- Christ's death was:
 - a _____ for sinners,
 - Hebrews 10:1-4, 10-14
 - a _____ in relation to sin,
 - a _____ in relation to man,
 - and a _____ in relation to God.
- Forgiveness is _____.
 - What does God want to do with your sin? - 1 John 1:7-10
 - _____
- To _____ means to change your mind and attitude about sin, so that you turn from your sin, and you turn to God (Jesus Christ) for forgiveness and cleansing.
 - What are characteristics of true repentance?
 - 2 Corinthians 7:8-10 - _____
 - Luke 18:9-14 - _____
 - 1 Thessalonians 1:9 - _____
 - Repentance is a change of three elements:
 - Intellectual element - _____.
 - Emotional element - _____.
 - Volitional element - _____.

The principle element in repentance is a change of mind and attitude about Christ; a change from an unbelieving and rejecting attitude to a believing and accepting attitude.

- How does the Bible define faith?
 - Hebrews 11:1 - What is faith? _____
 - Where does faith come from?
 - Hebrews 12:1-2 _____
 - How do we receive our faith?
 - Romans 10:17 _____

Ephesians 1:3-14 - The Mighty Symphony of Salvation

- Ephesians 1:4-6: _____
 - V. 4 & 11 _____
 - When were we chosen?
 - Deuteronomy 7:6-8

D.L. Moody said, 'It's a good thing God chose me before I was born because He certainly wouldn't have chosen me if He had waited to find out who I was.'

- Romans 8:29
- 1 Peter 1:1-2

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- Bearing the inconceivable pain of separation from the Father for us
Jesus is the _____ and _____ of the Father's choice.
 - _____ we are chosen
- Blessings of election
 - _____
 - _____
 - _____
 - _____
 - 1 Corinthians 1:21
 - Romans 10:14-15
- The concept of election must be rooted in the _____
- What were we chosen for?
 - V. 4 _____
- V. 5 _____
 - Romans 8:15-17
 - Galatians 4:6-7
 - Ramifications of Adoption
 1. _____
 2. _____
 3. _____
 4. _____
- Ephesians 1:7-10: _____
 - V. 7: _____
 - Matthew 20:28
 - Romans 6:23
 - 1 Peter 1:18-19
- Ephesians 1:11-14: _____
 - V. 11: _____
 - John 16:8-11
 - V. 12: _____
 - John 15:26
 - John 16:13-14
 - 2 Timothy 3:15
 - The Making of the _____
 - The Holy Spirit Speaks _____
 - V. 13: _____
 - V. 14: _____
 - 1 Corinthians 2:9-10
- According to Ephesians 2:5-7 God's love has done three things for us:
 1. _____
 2. _____
 3. _____
- Three Aspects of our Salvation
 1. _____
 - _____ - payment that satisfies 1 John 2:2
 - _____ - To purchase back 1 Cor 6:20
 - _____ - made His children Ephesians 1:5

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- _____ - recreation Titus 3:5
- 2. _____
 - John 17:17
 - Galatians 3:2-3
 - Romans 12:1-2
 - Romans 6
 - _____ - Rom 6:2,9
 - _____ - Rom 6:11
 - _____ - Rom 6:13
- 3. _____
 - Romans 8:30
 - Ephesians 5:25-26
 - Jude 24- 25
- Assurance (certainty) of salvation is based on the _____

 - John 20:30-31
 - According to John 1:12, what is the promise associated with receiving Jesus?
 - _____
 - John 3:16 states that whoever believes in Christ has _____
 - John 5:24 says that the one who believes in God will
 - _____
 - John 10:27-28
 - Holy Spirit gives us assurance of our salvation.
 - According to Romans 8:16-17, what does the Holy Spirit bear witness of in our lives?
 - _____
 - Who is the guarantee of our future life according to Ephesians 1:13-14?
 - _____
- Turn to the book of 1 John.
 - What is the purpose of John's letter?
 - 1 John 5:13
 - According to 1 John 2:3-5, how do we know for sure that we "know Him?"
 - _____
 - In 1 John 2:23, what is the action here that rules out the assurance of salvation?
 - _____
 - What is the basis of assurance in 1 John 3:14-15?
 - _____
 - In 1 John 4:13, what has God given to his children to bring us assurance of salvation?
 - _____
- Read Philippians 2:12-13.
 - Verse 12 states that the Christian life is a life of obedience.
 - But what power is available to live the Christian life according to verse 13? Philippians 2:12-13
 - _____
- 1 John 5:11-13

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- Putting Christ First
 - 2 Corinthians 5:14, 15
 - Definition of Lordship: the Lordship of Jesus Christ is the daily _____ and _____ of our entire self to the _____ and _____ of Jesus, recognizing His sovereign right to rule over us.
 - The _____ of Jesus Christ is the most crucial issue of any Christian's life.
 - What is Jesus' plan for His disciples:
 - **Luke 9:23** states the heart of discipleship.
 - _____ - Putting the Lord and others first; refusing to live my life to please myself.
 - _____ - Submitting our will to the will of God. Luke 22:42.
 - _____ - Following Jesus and no one or nothing else. Matthew 4:19; 1 Peter 2:21.

The whole principle of Lordship is the removal of self off of the throne of one's life, and the invitation to Jesus to sit on the throne and rule, trusting Him to do what is best for us.

- How do I know if Christ is Lord of my life?
 - We show our love for Jesus by _____
- John 14:15, 21, 23.
 - We must read the _____, see what God's will is for our lives and then we must do it.
- James 1:22-25
- Romans 6:22
- Romans 12:1-2
 - Tells us that we should present our bodies to God as a _____.
 - He says that this can be done as an act of _____ and is only reasonable.
 - Why is it only reasonable?
 - _____
 - What area of your life is the most difficult to present to God and allow Him lordship over?
 - _____

BOOKS FOR FURTHER READING

- The Cross of Jesus, by Warren Wiersbe
- The Atonement, by Leon Morris
- Why Grace Changes Everything, by Chuck Smith

PERSONAL APPLICATION

- How and why does our sanctification (growth in Christ) need to be based on the free grace of God, rather than an attempt to earn his love through our good works?
- Romans 12:1 tells us that we should present our bodies to God as a living sacrifice. He says that this can be done as an act of worship and is only reasonable.
 - Why is it only reasonable?
 - What area of your life is the most difficult to present to God and allow Him lordship over?
- How does the “I have to” versus “I get to” change the way you look at aspects of your Christian walk?

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Chapters from Calvary Distinctives

- Grace Upon Grace
- The Call to Ministry
- Ventures of Faith

Questions

Grace Upon Grace

1. What is the position of Calvary Chapel on the subject of grace?

2. Why is God's grace so vital to each of us?

3. Because God has extended His grace to us, how are we to respond to others?

4. According to Matthew 6:15, what does Jesus emphasise?

5. Why are we to be forgiving?

6. How are we to restore those who have fallen?

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7. Describe those ministries that are based on:

A. Law: _____

B. Grace: _____

8. What type of ministry did Jesus have?

9. Why is true repentance necessary before there can be restoration of one who has fallen?

10. What warnings are given concerning the judgment of others in Matthew 7:1?

11. How are we to handle controversial issues?

12. What results can be expected when we maintain a balanced approach to controversial issues?

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The Call to Ministry

1. Explain the one characteristic that is essential for effective ministry.

2. Why is a sense of calling so important for ministry?

3. "Hand in hand with a sense of calling comes the _____.

4. What is the right attitude of ministry?

5. Describe the principle of ministry set forth by Jesus in John 13:12-14.

6. Why is it important for us to remember our service is unto the Lord?

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7. What perspective must we always keep in mind as we serve?

8. What three areas of commitment are we to maintain?

A. _____

B. _____

C. _____

Ventures of Faith

1. How do we discover what God wants us to do?

2. What must we guard against when we step out in faith?

3. Briefly describe the venture of faith taken by Jonathan and his armour bearer.

4. How can we give God opportunity to do what He intends to do?

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5. What response are we to have when God is not opening a door?

6. In what way can we be hindered from benefiting or profiting from the work of God?

7. What is the tragedy and cost of unbelief?

8. How does the prayer of King Asa in 2 Chronicles 14:11 give us encouragement to trust God?

9. Who is God looking for in order to show Himself strong on their behalf?

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10. Why is it important to maintain flexibility with any project?

11. What danger do we face in trying to rely upon organization?

12. In what way can we expect to see God bless when we venture out in faith?
