

“Therefore:” *The Logical Lifestyle of a Hopeful Minority*
We Believe in “Faith Alone”

Ephesians 2:8a
(Page 976 in Chair Bible)
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According to the authority of *Scripture alone (sola scriptura)*, we are saved by *grace alone (sola gratia)*, **through faith alone (sola fide)**, in *Christ alone (solus Christus)*, to the *glory of God alone (soli Deo gloria)*.

1. Saving faith is a gift of God: Even the faith we place in Christ is a gift of God’s sovereign grace.

2. Saving faith has one true object: Christ alone, who died in the place of sinners, was buried, was raised from the dead, and appeared to many witnesses (see 1:15 and 1 Cor. 15:1–8).

3. Saving faith has three false rivals.

Counterfeit salvation #1: _____ → Justification
(declared righteous)

Counterfeit salvation #2: _____ → Justification

Counterfeit salvation #3: _____ → Justification

Genuine salvation: _____ → Justification + Works

4. Saving faith has three aspects.

a. Knowledge: I _____ the gospel.

b. Belief: I _____ that the gospel is true.

c. Trust: I _____ on Christ alone for my salvation.