

Sanctification III

Work out Your Own Salvation

Philippians 2:12 (NASB 2020) *So then, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling;*

I. Salvation is Free, but what does that mean?

Ephesians 2:8 (NASB95) *For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God;*

Romans 6:23 (NLT) *For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord.*

1. Paid the penalty for sin
2. Destroyed the power of sin and Darkness
3. Restored our relationship with God
4. Gave us the infilling of the Holy Spirit

Romans 3:24-25 (NLT) *Yet God, in His grace, freely makes us right in His sight. He did this through Christ Jesus when he freed us from the **penalty for our sins**. For God presented Jesus as the sacrifice for sin. People are made right with God when they believe that Jesus sacrificed His life, shedding His blood.*

Romans 6:12-14 (NASB 2020) *Therefore sin is not to reign in your mortal body so that you obey its lusts, and do not go on presenting the parts of your body to sin as instruments of unrighteousness; but present yourselves to God as those who are alive from the dead, and your body's parts as instruments of righteousness for God. For sin shall not be master over you, for you are not under the Law but under grace.*

Colossians 1:13 (NASB 2020) *For He rescued us from the domain of darkness, and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son.*

Colossians 1:13-14 (AMP) *[The Father] has delivered and drawn us to Himself out of the control and the dominion of darkness and has transferred us into the kingdom of the Son of His love, In Whom we have our redemption through His blood, [which means] the forgiveness of our sins.*

1 Peter 3:18 (AMP) *For Christ [the Messiah Himself] died for sins once for all, the Righteous for the unrighteous (the Just for the unjust, the Innocent for the guilty), that He might bring us to God.*

John 16:7 (NASB 2020) *But I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I am leaving; for if I do not leave, the Helper will not come to you; but if I go, I will send Him to you.*

II. You must walk in the Free Gift

****Philippians 2:12 (NASB 2020)** *So then, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling;*

****Romans 8:1-2 (NASB 2020)** *Therefore there is now no condemnation at all for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death.*

Romans 8:4 (AMP) *So that the righteous and just requirement of the Law might be fully met **in us who live and move not in the ways of the flesh but in the ways of the Spirit** [our lives governed not by the standards and according to the dictates of the flesh, but controlled by the Holy Spirit].*

Work Out: g2716. κατεργάζομαι katergazomai; from 2596 and 2038; to work fully, i.e. accomplish; by implication, to finish, fashion: — cause, to (deed), perform, work (out). AV (24) - work 15, do 5, do deed 1, to perform 1, cause 1, work out 1; to perform, accomplish, achieve to work out i.e. to do that from which something results of things.

****James 2:17 (NASB 2020)** *In the same way, faith also, if it has no works, is dead, being by itself.*

Works: g2041. ἔργον ergon; from a primary (but obsolete) ἔργω ergō (to work); toil (as an effort or occupation); by implication, an act: — deed, doing, labor, work. 1; business, employment, that which anyone is occupied that which one undertakes to do, enterprise, undertaking.

James 4:6-7 (AMP) *But He gives us more and more grace (power of the Holy Spirit, to meet this evil tendency and all others fully). That is why He says, God sets Himself against the proud and haughty, but gives grace [continually] to the lowly (those who are humble enough to receive it). So be subject to God. **Resist the devil [stand firm against him], and he will flee from you.***

1 Peter 5:8-9 (NLT) *Stay alert! Watch out for your great enemy, the devil. He prowls around like a roaring lion, looking for someone to devour. **Stand firm against him, and be strong in your faith.** Remember that your family of believers all over the world is going through the same kind of suffering you are.*

****2 Peter 2:20-21 (NLT)** And when people escape from the wickedness of the world by knowing our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and then get tangled up and enslaved by sin again, they are worse off than before. It would be better if they had never known the way to righteousness than to know it and then reject the command they were given to live a holy life.

Hebrews 10:39 (AMP) But our way is not that of those who draw back to eternal misery (perdition) and are utterly destroyed, but we are of those who believe [who cleave to and trust in and rely on God through Jesus Christ, the Messiah] and by faith preserve the soul.

III. His desire is for us never to give up

James 1:12 (AMP) Blessed (happy to be envied) is the man who is patient under trial and stands up under temptation, for when he has stood the test and been approved, he will receive [the victor's] crown of life which God has promised to those who love Him.

Hebrews 12:1-2 (NASB 2020) Therefore, since we also have such a great cloud of witnesses surrounding us, let's rid ourselves of every obstacle and the sin which so easily entangles us, and let's run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking only at Jesus, the originator and perfecter of the faith...

****1 John 2:1-6 (NASB 2020)** My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous;

Hebrews 10:36 (NASB 2020) For you have need of endurance, so that when you have done the will of God, you may receive what was promised.

****Galatians 6:7-9 (NASB 2020)** Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a person sows, this he will also reap. For the one who sows to his own flesh will reap destruction from the flesh, but the one who sows to the Spirit will reap eternal life from the Spirit. Let's not become discouraged in doing good, for in due time we will reap, if we do not become weary.