

“God’s Wonderful Gift of Salvation”

Ephesians 1:3-14

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- I. God chose you _____ to be saved by _____ divine choice.
“Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ. For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love he predestined us for adoption to sonship through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will”

Ephesians 1:3-5 (NIV)

“He has saved us and called us to a holy life—not because of anything we have done but because of his own purpose and grace. This grace was given us in Christ Jesus before the beginning of time, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior, Christ Jesus, who has destroyed death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. And of this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher. That is why I am suffering as I am. Yet this is no cause for shame, because I know whom I have believed, and am convinced that he is able to guard what I have entrusted to him until that day.”

2 Timothy 1:9-12 (NIV)

“who have been chosen according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through the sanctifying work of the Spirit, to be obedient to Jesus Christ and sprinkled with his blood: Grace and peace be yours in abundance.”

1 Peter 1:2 (NIV)

- II. Salvation is received as a free _____ from God by _____.

“For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast.”

Ephesians 2:8-9 (NIV)

“For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.”

Romans 6:23 (TLB)

“He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God”

John 1:11-12 (NIV)

- III. Salvation is based on the _____ of Jesus’ work of redemption without me adding anything to what Christ did.

“After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven.”

Hebrews 1:3b (NIV)

“For by one sacrifice he has made perfect forever those who are being made holy.”

Hebrews 10:14 (NIV)

IV. Keeping salvation is not about _____ performance or _____ perfection but it's about _____ perfection.

“if we are faithless, he remains faithful, for he cannot disown himself.”

2 Timothy 2:13 (NIV)

“and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ—the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith.”

Philippians 3:9 (NIV)

“The words “it was credited to him” were written not for him alone, but also for us, to whom God will credit righteousness—for us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead. He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification.”

Romans 4:23-25 (NIV)

V. Salvation is by _____ from the beginning and all the way through.

“and all are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.”

Romans 3:24 (NIV)

❖ Grace is the goodness and kindness of God _____ to my merit, worth or value and in spite of what I deserve!

“he predestined us for adoption to sonship through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will—to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves.”

Ephesians 1:5-6 (NIV)

VI. Salvation brings about a new _____ in me that makes me a new _____ and _____ me to honor God with my life.

“For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast. For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.”

Ephesians 2:8-10 (NIV)

“I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean; I will cleanse you from all your impurities and from all your idols. I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit in you and move you to follow my decrees and be careful to keep my laws.”

Ezekiel 36:25-27 (NIV)