

The Gospel

1Cor 15:1-8 I preach it, you received it, stand firm in it and are saved by it if you hold fast to it

- We are saved by our steadfast faith in Christ **Col 1:2** (Faith unshakeable)
- Faith is a commitment and a relationship with Him, not a tool to be used to get things from Him.
- My faith or belief in Christ is evidenced by my steadfast commitment to him

What do I hold fast to that produces His salvation in me? (It is HIS salvation at work in me through my steadfast faith in him) his salvation means what he was saved from!

- Jesus is the first one that was saved from sin (our sin) from death and from hell **Rev 1:18**
- Through His death burial and resurrection Jesus delivered us from the power of darkness and translated us into the kingdom of God **Heb 2:14-15**
 - He went to get us out of Satan's dominion and bring us into His Kingdom **Col 1:13**
- AS I hold fast to Christ what Happened in Him (His deliverance from death) It happens in ME! **Psa 16:10; Acts 2:22-36**
 - He is the beginning the first one that was delivered **Col 1:18**
 - As we hold fast to Him, we too are being delivered from death

What do I hold fast too?

HE Died for our sins - our freedom from the debt **1Cor 15:1-8**

- Three crosses were made, for the two thieves and Barabbas. Jesus took that cross that belonged to the vilest man and suffered his punishment, and he was set free from the debt!
- If he died for my sins, then they are completely paid for
 - Wages of sin is death. **Rom 6:23** The debt of sin is one only death **Heb 9:27**
- He died once, and for all. (**Heb 7:27; Heb 9:12; Heb 9:26; Heb 10:10**) By one sacrifice for sin forever (**Heb 10:12**) There remains no more sacrifice for sin (**Heb 10:18**). There's nothing left for me to pay.

HE was Buried - our release from the bondage **Joh 1:29; Psa 103:12; Heb 8:12; Heb 10:17**

- Old things are passed away **2Co 5:17**
- That old man no longer has Dominion over me, for he has been buried. **Rom 6:6-11**
 - We are now free to walk away from those old things.
 - Buried means that they no longer have any dominion over us whatsoever. We are completely free from the bondage of that old man.

HE Rose again – A new beginning **Rev 21:5** (He makes all things new)

- New life has sprung forth from death. **Eph 2:15; Eph 4:24**
 - Death has lost its dominion. The grave has lost its dominion. Satan has lost his dominion.
- This new man was made on the first day of the week not the last **Mar 16:9**
 - In the beginning God created everything then man. In the new creation God created the new man first, and everything springs from that new man **Eph 2:10**
- We are new creations old things have passed away and all things are now being made new. **2Co 5:17**

HE WAS Seen - our eternal life by seeing Him alive in us

- First to them, then the 500, then to Paul, then by me - Christ continually reproducing himself in those who see Him as He is **Heb 9:28; 1Pe 5:4; 1Jn 3:2**
- We must see Jesus risen from the dead, made new for us, and now living in us. When we see him and us, and it's no longer us who's living it is now Christ living in us we have new life! **Gal 2:20**