

**SALVATION IS BY
FAITH
&
LOVE**

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PLAYMAKERS IN THE FAITH

FIRST & GREATEST COMMANDMENT

36 “Teacher, which commandment in the law is the **greatest**?” 37 He said to him, “ ‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ 38 This is the **greatest** and **first commandment.**”

MATTHEW 22:36-38

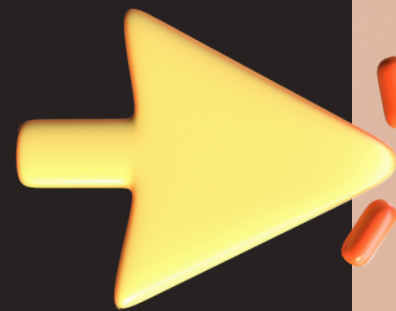
Love God

**ARE WE SAVED BY
FAITH ALONE?**

**CAN ANYONE BE
SAVED WITHOUT
LOVING GOD?**



WHAT DOES JESUS SAY?



49 for I have not spoken on my own,
but the Father who sent me has
himself **given me a commandment**
about what to say and what to speak.

50 And I know that his

commandment is eternal life. What I
speak, therefore, I speak just as the
Father has told me.”

JOHN 12:49-50

15 “If **you love me**, **you will keep** my
commandments.”

JOHN 14:15

21 They **who have** my commandments **and keep
them** **are those who love me**, and those who love
me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them
and **reveal myself to them.**”

JOHN 14:21

23 Jesus answered him, “**Those who love me will keep my word**, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. 24

Whoever does not love me does not keep my words, and the word that you hear is not mine but is from the Father who sent me.

JOHN 14:23

WHAT DOES PAUL SAY?

22 **Let anyone be accursed who has no love for the Lord**. Our Lord, come!

1 CORINTHIANS 16:22

II. a thing devoted to God without hope of being redeemed, and if an animal, to be slain; therefore a person or thing doomed to destruction

A. a curse

B. a man accursed, devoted to the direst of woes

Strong's Definitions [?]

(Strong's Definitions Legend)

ἀνάθεμα *anáthema*, an-ath'-em-ah; from G394; a (religious) ban or (concretely) excommunicated (thing or person):—accused, anathema, curse, **x** great.

13 And now faith, hope, and love remain, these three, and the **greatest of these is love**.

1 CORINTHIANS 13:13

6 For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision counts for anything; **the only thing that counts *is faith working through love***.

GALATIANS 5:6

14 and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.

1 TIMOTHY 1:14

6 But Timothy has just now come to us from you and has brought us the good news of your faith and love. He has told us also that you always remember us kindly and long to see us, just as we long to see you.

1 THESSALONIANS 3:6

3 We must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters, as is right, because your faith is growing abundantly and the love of every one of you for one another is increasing.

2 THESSALONIANS 1:3

5 because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus.

PHILEMON 1:5

7 Beloved, let us love one another, because **love is from God**; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. 8 Whoever does not love does not know God, **for God is love.**

1 JOHN 4:7-8

2 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. 3 For **the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments.** And his **commandments are not burdensome,**

1 JOHN 5:2-3

**WHAT DOES NOT OF
YOURSELVES
NOT OF WORKS
MEAN?**

**I'M CONFUSED.
WHAT ABOUT
EPHESIANS 2:8-9?**



EPHESIANS HISTORICAL CONTEXT

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to **Ephesus**, where he found some disciples.
3 Then he said, “Into what, then, were you baptized?” They answered, “**Into John’s baptism.**”

ACTS 19:1,3

These were Jews who became Christians. They were first baptized into John’s baptism which was for Israel.

What was Jewish belief on atonement?

Pay For Your Sins

Old Covenant

7 “But if you cannot afford a sheep, you shall bring to the Lord, as your penalty for the sin that you have committed, two turtledoves or two pigeons, one for a purification offering and the other for a burnt offering.

Leviticus 5:7

Not of Yourselves

Old Covenant

The Day of Atonement which was once every year they had to sacrifice animals for the forgiveness of sins.

Leviticus 16

Law/works



New Covenant

We do not need to sacrifice animals because Jesus Christ is the sacrificial lamb of God. His death, burial, and resurrection was the atonement for our sins.

Faith



Faith

What is THROUGH Faith?

Jesus Christ the Son of God is the door way to salvation. We must believe in Him and His work on the cross.

9 I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.

John 10:9

Jesus Christ the Son of God



**I BELIEVE
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**I BELIEVE WHAT I
CAN READ!**

