

SALVATION LIGHT

REVIEW

Any questions? [Review any homework]

How was writing your letter to God? Can we hear it?

PURPOSE

To understand & commit to God's biblical plan of salvation.

TEACHING TIPS

Be sure to have their original spiritual Timeline for this study to deal with any discrepancies.

There is much confusion in the religious world on how to be saved but the Bible is crystal clear.

[Consult "Prepared to Answer" in the following pages for more resources]

Acts 2:22-23

What is Peter accusing the crowd of? Murdering Jesus.

How might you react if you were accused of murdering a stranger?

Acts 2:36-37

Sin (past, present & future) killed Jesus. We should add "murder" to our list of sins.

What is the right response to being accused of Jesus' murder?

1. "Cut to the Heart" Convicted, Humbled
2. "What shall we do?" Called to action.

Acts 2:38-40

What 'call-to-action' did Peter give them? Repent & be baptized.

What happens to us when we repent & are baptized?

v.38 Forgiven of sins (saved from what our sins have earned us).

v.38 Receive the indwelling gift of the Holy Spirit.

v.41 Added to the membership of Christ's church.

According to v.39, who is this promise for?

"you" Those in the crowd that day.

"your children" Next generation of the families represented there.

"who are far off" Those who lived far away.

"God will call" The future. Us Today!

To summarize, how does the Bible teach someone to be saved?

Repent & be Baptized.

What is REPENTANCE?

Metanoia [Greek] Mind transformation: Changed thinking leads to changed action.

Romans 12:2

How can we know God's will? By repenting: transforming the way we think.

Acts 26:20

How can someone prove their repentance by their deeds?

A repentant life is obvious.

2 Corinthians 7:10 -11

What is the difference between Godly sorrow & worldly sorrow?

Qualities of Godly sorrow:

- Earnestness: Strong determination to get right with God.
- Eagerness to clear yourself: Desire to be transparent.
- Indignation: Righteous anger directed at Satan/Sin.
- Alarm: Urgent fear of sin's consequences.
- Longing: Crave reconciliation with God.
- Concern: For who our sin hurts: God & Others.
- Readiness for Justice: Taking responsibility for sin & their consequences.

As you think about the sins you've committed & confessed, how can you put ONE of these qualities of Godly sorrow into practice today?

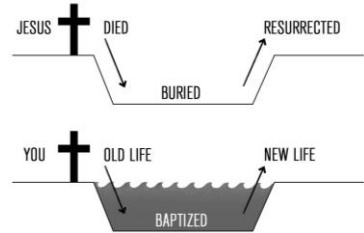
What is BAPTISM?

Baptizo [Greek] Immerse, dip or plunge in water.

Romans 6:1-5

How do these verses explain what baptism is?

Participation in Jesus' death & resurrection.



1 Peter 3:18-22

What cleansed the wickedness from the earth in Noah's day? Water of the flood.

What's the vehicle that saved Noah's family? The ark.

What cleanses wickedness from our lives today? Water of baptism.

What's the vehicle that saves us? The Cross [Jesus' resurrection].

Baptism is the pledge [or response] of a convicted conscience toward God.

Acts 22:16

Do you want to get baptized? Why?

CHALLENGE

When do you want to get baptized?

Explain there a couple more Bible studies to help prepare them for baptism.

SAVLVATION: FURTHER STUDY [CAN BE GIVEN AS HOMEWORK]

REPENTANCE

Acts 3:19 Repentance brings forgiveness of sin & refreshing.

Mark 9:43-48 Repentance calls for radical action. Acts 26:20 A repentant life is obvious.

Titus 2:11-14 Jesus' death motivates us to repent.

Romans 2:4 God's kindness leads us to repentance.

Galatians 5:19-26 Life by the Spirit is the opposite of life in Sin.

BAPTISM

Colossians 2:11-14 Raised through your faith - personal decision.

Titus 3:4-6 Baptism is not a work we do to save ourselves, it's God's work through his Spirit.

Ephesians 4:4-6 Only 1 baptism. Just like only 1 birthday. [John 3:1-7]