

Salvation Doctrines

"The Christian who does not understand what God has done in the past, and does not have faith in what God will do in the future, will be overwhelmed by today's crisis." Chester McCalley

Your Christian life began the moment you believed the Gospel, putting your complete confidence in the Lord Jesus Christ for salvation. At that moment, God provided you with a great number of unique and permanent blessings. "...and hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ." (Eph. 1:3) These blessings are a part of your inheritance as a Christian; they are the doctrines and promises upon which you may draw during the remainder of your lifetime.

The following is a listing of salvation doctrines, a catalogue of the things God did for you when you accepted Christ. These basic teachings are the underlying principles for the mechanics of Christian living, the techniques such as faith rest and occupation with Christ, and are foundation principles for all other Bible doctrine.

This listing can provide you with hours of quality study and meditation. You may well find other topics that could be added to the list. It is valuable and important that you understand thoroughly your relationship with the Lord; a good knowledge of these doctrines can be of great help to you in solving problems and making decisions according to God's viewpoint.

1. A believer is in the eternal plan of God, sharing the destiny of the Lord Jesus Christ. As such You are:

Foreknown: Acts 2:23; Rom. 8:29;
1 Pet. 1:2

Elect: Rom. 8:33; Col. 3:12; 1 Thess. 1:4;
Titus 1:1; 1 Peter 1:2

Predestined: Rom. 8:29, 30; Eph. 1:5, 11

Chosen in Christ: Matt. 22:14; 1 Pet. 2:4

Called: 1 Thess. 5:24

2. You have been **reconciled:**

By God: 2 Cor. 5:18; Col. 1:20

To God: Rom. 5:10; 2 Cor. 5:20; Eph. 2:14f.

3. You have been **redeemed** (purchased from the slave market of sin): Rom. 3:24; Col. 1:14; 1 Pet. 1:18; Eph. 1:7.

4. You have been **removed from condemnation:** John 3:18; 5:24; Rom. 8:1.

5. You are **under grace** and not under judgment (doctrine of propitiation): Rom. 3:24-28; 1 John 2:2.

6. Your sins have been judged by the spiritual death of Christ on the cross: Rom. 4:25; Eph. 1:7; 1 Pet. 2:24.

7. You have been made dead to the old life and alive unto God. You are:

Crucified with Christ: Rom. 6:6; Gal. 2:20

Dead with Christ: Rom. 6:8; Col. 3:3;
1 Pet. 2:24

Buried with Christ: Rom. 6:4; Col. 2:12

Risen with Christ: Rom. 6:4; Col. 3:1

8. You are **free from the law:** Rom. 6:14; 7:4,6; 2 Cor. 3:11; Gal. 3:25.

9. You have been **adopted** (placed as an adult heir in the family of God): Rom. 8:15; 8:23; Eph. 1:5.

10. You have been **justified** (declared righteous): Rom. 3:24; 5:1,9; 8:30; 1 Cor. 6:11; Titus 3:7.

11. You have been **regenerated** (born spiritually into the family of God): John 13:10; 1 Cor. 6:11; Titus 3:5. In regeneration the believers are:

Born Again: John 3:7; 1 Pet. 1:23

Children of God: Gal. 3:26

Sons of God: John 1:12; 2 Cor. 6:18;
1 John 3:2

New Creations: 2 Cor. 5:17; Gal. 6:15;
Eph. 2:10

12. You have been made acceptable to God: Eph. 1:6; 1 Pet. 2:5. To make a believer acceptable to Himself, God sees to it that You have been:

Made righteous: Rom. 3:22; 1 Cor. 1:30;
2 Cor. 5:21; Phil. 3:9

Sanctified positionally: 1 Cor. 1:30; 6:11

Perfected forever: Heb. 10:14

Made qualified: Col. 1:12

13. You have been **forgiven all trespasses or sins:** Eph. 1:7; 4:32; Col. 1:14; 2:13; 3:13

14. You have been made a **heavenly citizen** based on reconciliation: Luke 10:20; Eph. 2:13,19; Phil. 3:20
15. You have been **delivered from the kingdom of Satan**: Col. 1:13; 2:15
16. You have been **transferred into God's kingdom**: Col. 1:13
17. You have been placed on a **secure foundation**: 1 Cor. 3:11; 10:4; Eph. 2:20
18. You are a **gift from God the Father** to the Lord Jesus Christ: John 17:2, 6, 9, 11, 12, 24
19. You have been **delivered from the power of the sin nature**: Rom. 2:29; Phil. 3:3; Col. 2:11
20. You have been **appointed as a priest** unto God: 1 Pet. 2:5, 9; Rev. 1:6
21. You are **under the care of God** as a chosen generation and a protected people: Tit. 2:14; 1 Pet. 2:9
22. You have been given **access to God**: Rom. 5:2; Eph. 2:18; Heb. 4:14, 16; 10:19, 20
23. You are within the much more care of God; given who we are as sinners:
- Objects of His love**: Eph. 2:4; 5:2
 - Objects of His grace**: for salvation, Eph. 2:8,9; for keeping, Rom. 5:2; 1 Pet. 1:5; for service, John 17:18; Eph. 4:7; for instruction, Titus 2:12
 - Objects of His power**: Eph. 1:19; Phil. 2:13
 - Objects of His faithfulness**: Phil. 1:6; Heb. 13:5
 - Objects of His peace**: John 14:27
 - Objects of His consolation**: 2 Thess. 2:16
 - Objects of His intercession**: Rom. 8:34; 7:25; 9:24
24. You are part of Christ's inheritance: Eph. 1:18
25. You are a beneficiary of the inheritance from God (**an heir of God and a joint-heir with the Lord Jesus Christ**): Rom. 8:17; Eph. 1:14; Col. 3:24; Heb. 9:15; 1 Pet. 1:4
26. The believer has a **new position in Christ**: Eph. 2:6; Col. 3:4; 1 Cor. 1:9; 3:9; 2 Cor. 3:3, 6; 5:20; 6:1, 4
27. You are the **recipient of eternal life**: John 3:15; 10:28; 20:31; 1 John 5:11, 12
28. You are a **member of the family of God**: Gal. 6:10; Eph. 2:19
29. You are **Light in the Lord**: Eph. 5:8; 1 Thess. 5:4
30. You are **united with the Father**: 1 Thess. 1:1, cf. Eph. 4:6. In addition to this, you are:
- United with Christ: John 14:20, cf. Col. 1:27
 - A member of His body: 1 Cor. 12:13
 - A branch in the vine: John 15:5
 - A stone in the building: Eph. 2:21, 22
 - A sheep in the flock: (These two verses have no mention of sheep and flock)
 - A part of His bride: Eph. 5:25-27
 - A priest in His kingdom: 1 Pet. 2:9
 - A saint of the new species: 2 Cor. 5:17
 - United with the Holy Spirit: Rom. 8:9-11
31. You are the recipient of the ministry of the Holy Spirit.
- Born of the spirit**: John 3:6
 - Baptized by the spirit**: 1 Cor. 12:13
 - Indwelt by the spirit**: John 7:39; Rom. 5:5; 8:9; 1 Cor. 3:16; 6:19; Gal. 4:6; 1 John 3:24
 - Sealed by the spirit**: 2 Cor. 1:22; Eph. 4:30
 - Recipient of spiritual gifts**: 1 Cor. 12:11; 12:27-31; 13:1, 2
32. You have been **glorified in Christ**: Rom. 3:20
33. You have been made **complete in Christ**: Col. 2:10
34. You are the **possessor of every spiritual blessing**: Eph. 1:3
35. You are the **recipient of a human spirit**: Rom. 8:16; 1 Cor. 2:12; 2 Cor. 7:13; 1 Thess. 5:23; Eph. 2:5
36. You have **access to all Bible truth** through the grace system for Bible understanding and Christian growth: Col. 2 and Eph. 4