

SALVATION

(BORN AGAIN - NEW BIRTH)

I. TO SEE THE KINGDOM OF GOD

John 3:1-21 "...Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.

A. DEFINITIONS

1. Salvation-

(American Dictionary of the English Language - Noah Webster)

- a. the act of saving;
- b. preservation from destruction, danger or great calamity.

2. Born Again-

(Strong's Hebrews and Greek Dictionary)

- a. to be regenerated and renewed;
- b. be delivered of.

II. HOW SIN ENTERED IN

A. In The Beginning

1. Genesis 1:27

2. Genesis 2:15 "And the Lord God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it."

B. The First Command

1. Genesis 2:16-17 "...But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die."

C. Disobedience/The Offense

1. Genesis 3:6-7 "...she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.
2. Romans 5:12-15..."For if through the offense of one many be dead, ..."

D. Definitions

1. Disobedience-

(American Dictionary of the English Language-Noah Webster)

- a. Neglect or refusal to obey;
- b. violation of a command or prohibition;

- c. The omission of that which is commanded to be done, or the doing of that which is forbid;
 - d. breach of duty prescribed by authority.
- 2. Offense
(Thorndike Barnhart Comprehensive Dictionary)
 - a. a breaking of the law, sin :
(an offense against God and man)
 - b. cause of wrongdoing.
 - c. condition of being offended; hurt feelings, anger.

III. RESULTS OF DISOBEDIENCE/THE OFFENSE

- A. Seperated from God.
 - 1. Isaiah 59:2 “But your iniquities have separated between you and your God...”
 - 2. Ephesians 4:18
- B. Spiritual death
 - 1. Romans 5:12
 - 2. Ephesians 4:18 “... being alienated from the life of God...”
- C. All have sinned
 - 1. Romans 3: 10-23 “For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;”
- D. Debt now owed
 - 1. Romans 6:23a “For the wages of sin is death;...”
(The Death Of Just Anyone Would Not Do!)
- E. Can't save yourself
 - 1. Ephesians 2: 8-9 “For by grace are ye saved....., and that not of yourselves..... Not of works, lest any man should boast.

IV. GOD'S MEANS OF RESTORATION

- A. His love
 - 1. Romans 5:8
 - 2. I John 4:8 “He that loveth not koweth not God: for God is love.
 - 3. John 3:16 “For God so loved the world, that He gave...”
- B. His gift
 - 1. John 3:16
 - 2. Romans 5:15-18
 - 3. Romans 6:23 “... but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

4. Ephesians 2:8 “ ... and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God.

C. His Son

1. God's part
 - a. John 3:16
 - b. II Corinthians 5:21 “For He hath made Him (Jesus) to be sin for us, who knew no sin,...
 - c. Isaiah 53:6b “...and the Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all.”
2. Jesus' part
 - a. Obedience -
(American Dictionary of the English Language - Noah Webster)
 1. Compliance with a command, prohibition or known law and rule of duty prescribed
 2. the performance of what is required or enjoyed by authority
(To constitute obedience, the act or forbearance to act must be in submission to authority.)
Matthew 26:39b “...nevertheless not as I will, but as thou wilt.”
Romans 5:19 “...so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous.”
Hebrews 12:1

D. Jesus' blood

1. Remission - Forgiveness; pardon, that is the giving up of the punishment due to a crime, as the remission of sins.
 - a. Hebrews 9:22 “...and without shedding of blood is no remission.
 - b. Matthew 26:28
 - c. Mark 14:24
 - d. Luke 22:20 “This cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you.
2. Purchased - Obtained or acquired by one's own act or agreement.
 - a. Acts 20:28b “...to feed the church of God, which He hath purchased with His own blood.
3. Redeemed /Redemption – Ransomed: delivered from bondage, distress, penalty, liability, or from the possession of another, by paying an equivalent.
 - a. Ephesians 1:7
 - b. Colossians 1:4 “In whom we have redemption through His blood, even the forgiveness of sins:”

- c. Hebrews 9:12-22 “Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by His own blood He entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us.”
- d. I Peter 1:18-19 “...redeemed...with the precious blood of Christ.”
- c. Revelation 5:9b “...for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by Thy blood...”

V. HOW YOU ARE BORN AGAIN

A. Receive Jesus

- 1. John 1:12 “But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God,...”

B. By Grace Through Faith

- 1. Romans 5:15-21 “...That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord.”
- 2. Ephesians 2:5, 8 “For by grace are ye saved through faith;...”

C. Believe

- 1. Romans 10:9-10

D. Confess

- 1. Romans 10:9-10

SUMMARY:

We see that the price Jesus paid for our Salvation was extremely high; however, to receive the gift of Salvation is as easy as

A - B - C:

A. ADMIT

“For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;”
Romans 3:23

B. BELIEVE

“...and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.”
Romans 5:8, 10:9-10

C. CONFESS

“...confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus,...and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.”
Romans 10:9-10