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"Just Checking In" Monthly Devotional

JUST CHECKING IN #222 AUGUST 2020 15 GREAT SALVATION WORDS

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Dear Friends, I am starting this month with the first of a 15 lesson study called "15 Great Salvation Words" I hope it encourages you, deepens your understanding of our salvation through Christ, as well as results in a deeper appreciation for God's amazing grace and praise to His name from a deeper understanding of our own personal, desperate need of that amazing grace in Christ. The first 10 of these words describe what Christ has done FOR US ON THE CROSS, the last 5 words describe what Christ does IN US BY HIS SPIRIT. OK, let's dig in!

15 GREAT SALVATION WORDS A STUDY IN THE DOCTRINE OF SALVATION

1 Salvation 2 Propitiation 3 Substitution 4 Redemption 5 Reconciliation

6 Cleansing 7 Atonement 8 Justification 9 Imputation 10 Transference of Citizenship

11 Illumination/Conviction 12 Regeneration 13 Adoption 14 Sanctification

15 Glorification

#1 SALVATION – RESCUE FOR THE DYING

The Bible uses many different words to describe God's wonderful work in **rescuing** us from our sin and **restoring** us to His family. Each of these words describes God's **remedy** in view of the **ruin** sin has brought upon us. The first word that comes to mind in God's great rescue plan is, of course, the word "**salvation**". Let's keep these two realities in mind as we dig into God's word. #1 The Ruin Sin Has Caused, and 2) The Remedy God Has Provided. RUIN AND REMEDY, they both go together. Each of these key words (and there are many others we will not address in this study) brings to light the awful consequences of sin and the corresponding wonderful remedy God has provided for us through the cross. Each word study will begin with the definition of the key word, then the ruin sin has caused that is the basis of the need, and the corresponding remedy we see in this great salvation word. Get your Bible and a pen in hand, as you will have blanks to fill in! Ok, here we go!

Salvation is to be rescued from certain death; delivered from certain destruction.

THE RUIN OF SIN Revelation 20:11-15

We need to be saved... rescued from certain, inescapable and eternal death... delivered from certain, inescapable, and eternal destruction! We cannot save ourselves. **Sin brought the death penalty upon each and everyone one of us.**

Romans 3:23 For all have _____

1 Corinthians 15:22 As in Adam all _____

Romans 6:23 The wages of sin is _____

Hebrews 9:27 It is appointed unto man to _____ once, and after this the _____

THE REMEDY FOR SIN SAVING US FROM THE DEATH SENTENCE OF SIN

The Good News is that we have a Savior who saves us by **His work for us on the cross.**

Ephesians 2:8-9 For by grace you have been _____ through _____, not of _____, it is the _____ of God.

Acts 16:30-31 "Sirs, what must I do to be _____? So they said, _____ on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be _____ you and your household."

Acts 4:12 "Neither is there _____ in any other: for there is _____ other name under heaven given among men, whereby we _____ be _____

Romans 10:9-10 "That if you _____ with your mouth, "Jesus is _____ and _____ in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be _____ For it is with your _____ that you _____ and are _____ and it is with your _____ that you _____ and are _____

Luke 19:10 "for the Son of Man has come to _____ and to _____ that which was lost."

John 3:17 "For God did not send His Son into the world to _____ the world, but that the world through Him might be _____."

John 10:9 "I am the door. If anyone enters by _____ he will be _____

Romans 1:16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to _____ for everyone who _____, for the Jew first and also for the Gentile.

Romans 5:9 Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be _____ from wrath through Him.

1 Thessalonians 5:9 For God did not appoint us to _____ but to obtain _____ through our Lord Jesus Christ,

1 Timothy 1:15 This [is] a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to _____ sinners, of whom I am chief.

2 Timothy 1:9 Who has _____ us and _____ [us] with a holy calling, not according to our _____ but according to His own purpose and _____ which was given to us in Christ Jesus before _____ began.

Titus 3:5 "not by works of righteousness which _____ have done, but according to His _____ He _____ us, through the washing of _____ and renewing of the Holy Spirit,

Hebrews 7:25 Therefore He is also able to _____ to the uttermost those who come to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them.

Revelation 7:10 "and crying out with a loud voice, saying, "_____ [belongs] to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

Saved.... Rescued.... Delivered....That's why Jesus came!

We need to be saved from God's just wrath as well as from our own evil hearts.

He brings us salvation by His work on the _____ for us, and by His work by His _____ in us!

Think about it!

Every saint in heaven is a criminal sentenced to eternal death, rescued by grace alone through Christ's work on the cross!

We needed far more than a helper, or an example, or an advisor, or a teammate, or a supporter.... we needed a SAVIOR! We could do NOTHING to help ourselves. It's all His work on the cross that brings us SALVATION!

Make It Personal:

- 1) Think back to when you first understood that you needed a Savior. When did you first come to realize you were a hell deserving sinner who deserved God's wrath? When did you become convinced that Christ, and only Christ, could save you and forgive your sins?
- 2) What words would you use to describe how that impacted you? How did that change the way you saw yourself, God, and God's Son?
- 3) Is there someone you know is a believer but you don't know their story of how and when God brought them to saving faith? Ask them to tell you their story. I just did that today, and shared my story of God's saving grace in my own life, too.

Further Study: Read Romans 5. Write down under two heading, the dual truths you see in the chapter... 1) The RUIN sin has caused us and 2) The REMEDY God has provided for us in Christ.

THE RUIN OF SIN

THE REMEDY IN CHRIST

Remember, you are very special to us and we thank God for you.

Living with leaving in view.... John 9:4

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Seeing the Invisible, Embracing the Unapproachable,

Declaring the Unexplainable, Changed by the Immutable,

Running after the Irresistible with inexhaustible joy in our inexpressible sorrows,

Spending our time on eternity,

Owning nothing yet possessing everything that matters and lasts.

We are Pilgrims in Paradox.

Welcome to THE JOURNEY.

