

What Must I Do To Be Saved? (Mending The Man-God Rift)

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This question has been in the hearts and on the lips of millions of people, and we may rest assured that the Bible does not leave us in any doubt about the answer. God's Word clearly states that, by nature, all men are born **sinners**. Therefore, man cannot save himself, nor can he by his own means earn or work his way to heaven.

"For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that **not of yourselves**; it is the gift of God, **not of works**, lest anyone should boast." Ephesians 2:8-9

The following are 4 biblical truths in **God's plan of salvation**: (We must approach God - **God's way**.)

1) What is Man's Problem?

The Bible says that **all men** are born into this world as **sinners**. We can readily see this when we realize that, by nature, **all men are dead** spiritually.

ALL are "**alienated** from the life of God" (Ephesians 4:18)

ALL are "**guilty** before God" (Romans 3:19)

ALL are "**condemned** already" (John 3:18)

ALL are "**sold** under sin" (Romans 7:14)

ALL are "**servants** of sin" (Romans 6:17)

ALL are abiding in "**darkness**" (1 Peter 1:9)

ALL are "**far off**" from God (Ephesians 2:13)

ALL are utterly "**lost**" (Luke 19:10)

Without God, man finds himself in an awful and desperate condition, by nature (Romans 5:12).

"There is **none righteous, no not one**" Romans 3:10

2) What is God's Remedy?

The Bible tells us that **God sent His Son** Jesus Christ into the world on a **rescue mission**.

"For the Son of Man (Christ) is **come to save** that which was lost." Matthew 18:11

"Christ Jesus **came** into the world **to save** sinners" 1 Timothy 1:15

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life" John 3:16

Jesus laid down His life and **bore** the iniquities of all sinners. *Jesus bore* the consequences.

"While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us" Romans 5:8

"He was wounded for our transgressions, bruised for our iniquities" Isaiah 53:5

"My blood...is shed for many for the remission of sins" Matthew 26:28

3) What Must Man Do To Be Saved?

Just **say “yes”** to God’s loving invitation and **receive His free gift** of salvation that is only offered through faith in Jesus Christ.

“And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall **call** on the name of the LORD shall be saved.” Acts 2:21

“Jesus Christ...for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.” Acts 4:10,12

Confess your sins to God and **receive** His forgiveness.

“If we **confess** our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” 1 John 1:9

“That if you **confess** with your mouth the Lord Jesus and **believe** in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one **believes** unto righteousness, and with the mouth **confession** is made unto salvation.” Romans 10:9-10

4) Receive Jesus As Lord And Savior.

LORD, **I come** humbly before You. Forgive **me, a sinner**. I realize I have been wrong all my life. **I believe** that you love me and that You sent Your Son Jesus to pay the penalty for all my sins. He took my place and shed His blood on the cross. **I believe** He died and rose again. Now **I receive** your free gift of salvation and put my faith and trust in You. Fill me with Your Spirit as I choose to follow you from this day forward. Thank You for your love and Your amazing grace.

In Jesus’ name, AMEN.

⇒ **Did You Pray To Receive Jesus Christ As Your Lord and Savior?** ⇐

WELCOME TO THE FAMILY OF GOD! Jesus is now your Lord and Savior. You are now born again by the Spirit of God. You are now destined to life everlasting with God in heaven.

ESSENTIAL NEXT STEPS: HERE’S **HOW TO GROW IN YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD:**

- 1 | Spend **time** with the Lord by praying and reading your Bible everyday.
- 2 | **Attend** and get involved in a Bible teaching church.
- 3 | Be in **fellowship** with those who also love the Lord.
- 4 | **Share** your faith in the Lord Jesus with your family, friends, and those to whom you come in contact with throughout your life.

May knowing God and growing in His grace be the highest priority in your life!

“But **grow** in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.” 2 Peter 3:18

“And this is eternal life, that they may **know** You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent.” John 17:3

“Cling to Him, for **He is your life.**” Deuteronomy 30:20