

# **SALVATION WORK SHEETS**

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**“Therefore having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom also we have obtained our introduction by faith into this grace in which we stand; and we exult in hope of the glory of God.” Romans 5:1-2**

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# "WHO IS JESUS CHRIST?"

The Bible tells us much about Jesus and who He is. Many of the claims were made by Jesus Himself and many were made by others about Him. Look up the following references and write down what these claims are. Before you begin your study, say a brief prayer to God and ask Him to show you if these things are true.

1. What does Jesus call himself?

- a. John 4:25,26
- b. John 8:28 and John 9:35-38
- c. Matthew 27:42,43

"Son of God" and "Son of Man" are Old Testament expressions for the Messiah who was predicted to come. The Prophets in the Old Testament knew that this Messiah was God and that He was worthy of worship. See Daniel 7: 13,14

2. What does Jesus claim about Himself?

- a. John 5:39
- b. John 6:51
- c. John 8:12
- d. John 8:58
- e. John 10:30 and 14:7-9

3. The Trinity is three Divine Persons (God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit) who are the same in essence and nature yet with distinct personalities. When God the Son, Jesus, lived here on earth for 33 years, He subordinated himself to the will of God the Father. Why? See Phil. 2:5-8

4. The Apostle Paul says in his letter to Titus that "God is our Savior". Titus 1:3

- a. Who does Paul then say our Savior is? Titus 1:3,4
- b. What else does Paul say about Jesus? Colossians 1:15,16

5. Who did Peter say that Jesus was?

- a. Mark 8:27-29
- b. 2 Peter 1:1

6. Who did John the Baptist say that Jesus was?

John 1:29 and 34

7. Who did the Apostle John say Jesus was?
  - a. John 1:1,14
  - b. Revelation 19:16
8. Who did God the Father say Jesus was?  
Matthew 3:17
9. Who has the authority to forgive sins?
  - a. Luke 5:21
  - b. Who forgave the paralytic's sins? Luke 5:17-20
  - c. What did Jesus do to prove that He had authority to forgive sins? Luke 5:21-24

Summary:

Jesus claimed to be God by saying He:

- was the "Son of God"
- was the "Son of Man"
- was the Savior (the Messiah)
- had authority to forgive sins

Jesus proved that He was God by:

- the works that He did (for example, creation)
- the miracles that He did
- His resurrection from the dead

The teaching of the Bible that Jesus is God is not something that we can explain by human logic. It is a supernatural truth which we believe because God's Spirit illumines the truth to us. Next week, we will study in detail what Jesus did on the cross.

## WHAT JESUS DID ON THE CROSS

Just about everyone in America has heard of Jesus and knows that He died on the cross. However, they may have many misconceptions about the purpose of His death. So, this week's lesson is a study on "What Jesus Did on the Cross."

1. How was Jesus killed? Matthew 27:35
2. What did the sign over His head say? Mark 15:26
3. What did the people say who were making fun of Jesus? Luke 23:35-37
4. How did the soldiers decide to divide up Jesus' garments? John 19:24
5. Which four books in the Bible contain the story of Jesus' death on the cross?
6. Make a list of what Jesus said as He was on the cross:
  - a. Luke 23:34
  - b. Luke 23:42,43
  - c. Luke 23:46
  - d. John 19:25,26
  - e. John 19:30
  - f. Mark 15:37,38
7. What was the purpose of Jesus' death?
  - a. I Peter 2:24
  - b. Hebrews 2:17 ("propitiation" means to satisfy God's wrath)
  - c. Ephesians 1:7 ("In Him" refers back to Jesus Christ)
  - d. Romans 4:25 ("He" refers back to Jesus)
  - e. Romans 5:9
  - f. I Corinthians 15:3

Jesus told His disciples that the "Scriptures" (The Old Testament) were about Him. (John 5:39) Indeed, there are many places in the Old Testament that foretell of the coming Messiah and what He will do for the people so that they can be reconciled to God. (Sin had put a barrier between people and God because God is holy.) Jesus' death on the cross was God's way of punishing sin so that God's sense of justice could be satisfied. In other words, Jesus was punished in our place.

One of the most detailed descriptions of how Jesus took our punishment is in Isaiah 53. This was written by Isaiah over 700 years before Jesus was born. God gave this information to Isaiah supernaturally and Isaiah doesn't call Jesus by His name but calls him the "Servant".

8. How was Jesus treated by men? Isaiah 53:3

9. What did He "bear" for us? Isaiah 53:4
10. What happened to Jesus because of our "transgressions" (our sins) and our "iniquities" (also means sins)? Isaiah 53:5
11. Isaiah 53:5 says, "The chastening (punishment that we deserve) for our \_\_\_\_\_fell upon Him."
12. Isaiah 53:6 says, "But the LORD has caused the iniquity (sin) of us all to \_\_\_\_\_"  
\_\_\_\_\_ "
13. What kind of sacrificial offering was Jesus? Isaiah 53:10
14. Where was Jesus' anguish? Isaiah 53:11
15. What will He bear? Isaiah 53:11
16. Isaiah 53:12, "Yet He Himself bore the \_\_\_\_\_"
17. What was God's motive for sending Jesus to die for our sins? I John 4:10

**Summary:** Jesus died on the cross to take the punishment for our sins. He died in our place. He paid the full penalty and then He said,

**"IT IS FINISHED!"**

# WHAT DOES THE BIBLE TEACH ABOUT SIN?

- A. Last week we studied Jesus' death on the cross and we learned that He died to take the punishment for our sin. Also, we learned that God was satisfied that sin had been sufficiently punished and that Jesus' resurrection from the dead is proof of that. Today, we are going to study about sin --- who sinned first, why they did, and why and how we sin today. Some sins are very obvious -- for example, murder. Some sins are obvious only to God. Regardless of which kind of sin we commit, all sin grieves God because He is perfectly pure and holy. Therefore, we need to understand just what sin is and how to properly deal with it.
1. The first created being to sin was an angel name Lucifer (later his name became Satan). His problem was pride. He wanted to be worshipped like God was worshipped by some of the other angels. Lucifer made a "power-play" in heaven and God cast Lucifer and all his followers out. What did Lucifer want? See Isa. 14:13-14. List the five "I will" statements of Lucifer:
    - a.
    - b.
    - c.
    - d.
    - e.
  2. Lucifer had a real problem with pride. He should have been grateful to worship and serve God. Instead, he wanted all the attention himself. What was the underlying reason that he thought he deserved that kind of attention? Ezek. 28:17
  3. Lucifer was the first angel to sin and Adam and Eve were the first human beings to sin. When God created Adam and Eve they were innocent and without sin. God put them in the Garden of Eden which had a perfect environment and then God tested their devotion to Him and God told them they could eat fruit off any tree except one - - "the tree of the knowledge of good and evil." God warned them that if they disobeyed, they would die.
    - a. Satan was not content to leave well enough alone. He decided to try to get Adam and Eve to follow him by disobeying God. He appeared to Eve in the form of a serpent. See Genesis 3:1
      - 1) How is the serpent described?
      - 2) What did he ask Eve?
    - b. God told Eve if she ate from that tree she would die. What did Satan tell her would happen? Genesis 3:4

- c. Whom did Satan tell Eve she would be "like" if she ate? Gen.3:5
  - d. What did Eve decide to do? Gen. 3:6
  - e. Before they sinned, Adam and Eve were very comfortable around God and not afraid of Him. What was their response to God now? Gen.3:10
  - f. God confronted them with their sin. Whom did Adam blame? Gen. 3:12
  - g. Whom did Eve blame? Gen. 3:13
4. Because God is holy, He has to punish sin. He pronounced judgment right then on Satan, Eve, and Adam. What was one part of the punishment? Gen. 3:19
5. After Adam and Eve sinned, they knew sin in a personal, experiential way. It had become part of their natural nature and was then passed down to their children and their children's children, etc. Also, the consequences of sin were passed down.
- a. Why did "death spread to all men"? Romans 5:12
  - b. What is the "just" consequence of sin? Romans 6:23
6. The Bible classifies sin by different terms such as transgression, iniquity, wickedness, evil, disobedience, and unbelief. Look up the following verses and list what the particular sin is:
- a. Romans 13:1
  - b. I Corinthians 6:18
  - c. Ephesians 4:25-29 (these sins are obvious sins)
  - d. Ephesians 4:31 (these sins may be obvious or may be "mental attitude" sins. Mental attitude sins are sins that we "think" which may or may not result in an additional, obvious sin.)
  - e. Ephesians 5:18
  - f. Philippians 4:6
  - g. James 3:6
  - h. James 4:17
  - i. James 5:12
7. All sin, whether open or hidden, is seen and remembered by God. What does God judge? Hebrews 4:12

8. Is there anything hidden from God? Hebrews 4:13
  
9. God is holy. Therefore, He must punish sin. Man sins. Therefore, man is separated from God and the result is death. However, God loves man. So, He provided a way for man's sins to be punished and for man to be with Him for all eternity. The way that God provided is "Jesus death on the cross bearing our punishment." How is it that we can know that we, personally, are in a right relationship with God? That our sins are taken care of? See Acts 16:31
  
10. Oftentimes, people know about Jesus but they are still depending partly on themselves to be good enough to earn their way into heaven. If that's the case, then they are not really "believing" (trusting) in Jesus' death on the cross to be sufficient to save them. The Bible says that Jesus saves us "not on the basis of deeds which we have done, but according to His mercy." (Titus 3:5) In addition to not trusting the Lord Jesus as their Savior, many people are like Satan in that they do not want God to rule over them. They want to control their own lives, so they do not trust Christ as their Lord. If that is true of you, "God is now declaring to men that all everywhere should repent, because He has fixed a day in which He will judge the world in righteousness through a Man (Jesus Christ) whom He has appointed, having furnished proof to all men by raising Him from the dead" (Acts 17:30-31). Romans 10:9 tells us "if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you shall be saved." (Ro.10:9)



# ASSURANCE OF SALVATION

Many times when people are asked the question, "Do you know for sure that if you died you would go to heaven?" their answer is something like, "I'm not sure but I hope so." Today, our lesson will focus on what the Bible teaches about "knowing for sure." Because this issue is a critical one, before you begin to answer the questions, say a short prayer and ask God to show you the truth of His Word.

1. A person who is "saved" is going to heaven when he dies. What do you have to "do" to get "saved?"  
See John 3:16  
See Romans 10:13  
See John 1:12
2. Read the following verses and make a chart. On the left side, list what "saves" you and on the right side, list what will not "save" you:  
John 14:6  
Ephesians 2:8,9  
Acts 16:30,31  
Ephesians 2:4,5  
Colossians 1:13,14  
Galatians 1:3,4  
Titus 3:4-7
3. People think about their salvation one of two ways...  
they must be good and do things to "earn" it, or,  
Jesus did all the work necessary and they must put their faith or "trust" in Him (alone) to be their Savior.
  - a. *No where does the Bible say that a person is saved by what he does or how good he is!!!* On the contrary, the Bible says that the only acceptable sacrifice or punishment for sins is Jesus' sacrifice on the cross. Why, then, do so many people think they must believe in Jesus plus "earn" their way into heaven? Because, it is logical from a human perspective. But God says, "My ways are not your ways and my thoughts are higher than your thoughts." We're not holy so we do not think like God thinks. Because He's holy, all sin must be punished. It is not enough for us to have done more good things than bad. All the bad had to be dealt with and that's what Jesus declared when He said, "It is finished!"

b. Look up the following verses and write down what God wants you to know about "assurance of your salvation."

1. Romans 3:28
2. Romans 8:1
3. Romans 10:11
4. John 5:24
5. John 6:47
6. I Corinthians 3:15
7. 2 Corinthians 1:9-10
8. I John 5:11-13
9. I Peter 1:3-5
10. Titus 1:2

4. There are basically three reasons why people don't have the assurance of their salvation:

- a. They didn't know what the Bible teaches, or ...
- b. They have never really put their trust in Jesus as their Lord and Savior. Jesus said, "But you do not believe, because you are not of My sheep. My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow me; and I give eternal life to them, and they shall never perish and no one can snatch them out of My hand." John 10:26-28
- c. There is no evidence of salvation in their life such as a desire for God, a longing to please God, or obedience to Christ's commandments. "And by this we know that we have come to know Him, if we keep His commandments" (I John 2:3).

Salvation is a work of God not a work of man. So if you are having doubts, ask God to grant you repentance from your sin and faith in His Son.