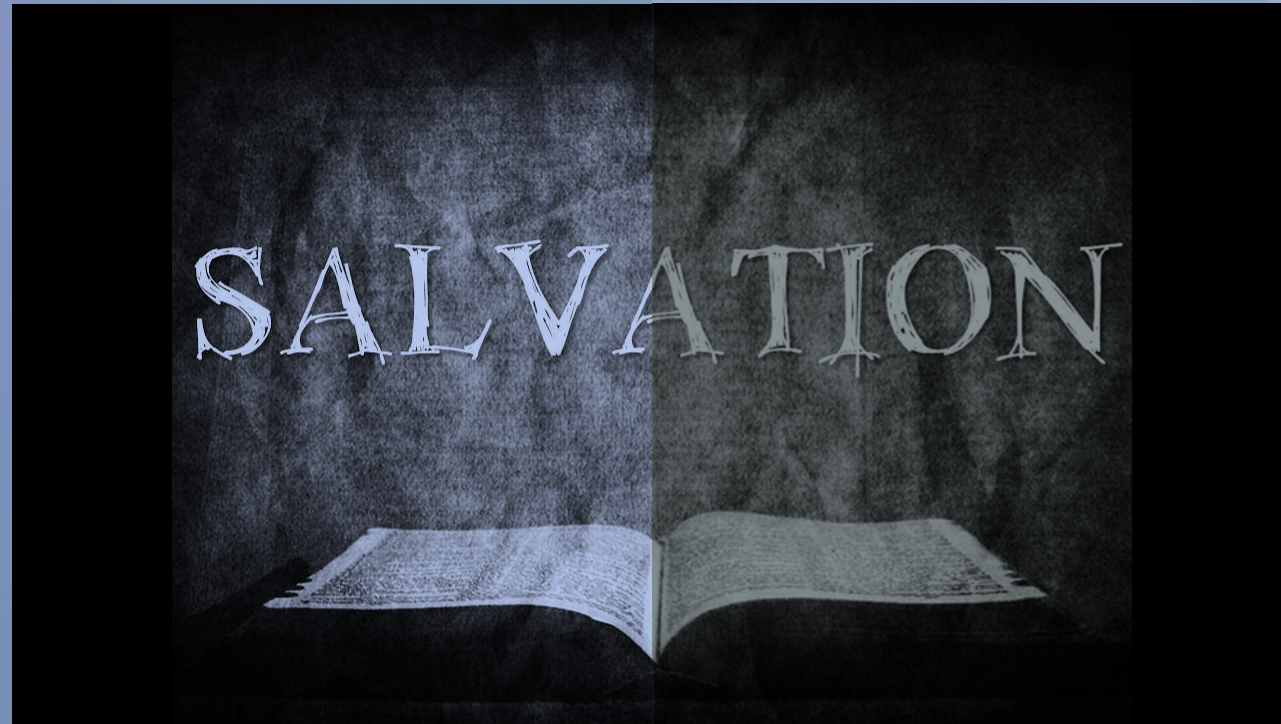


Questions of Salvation

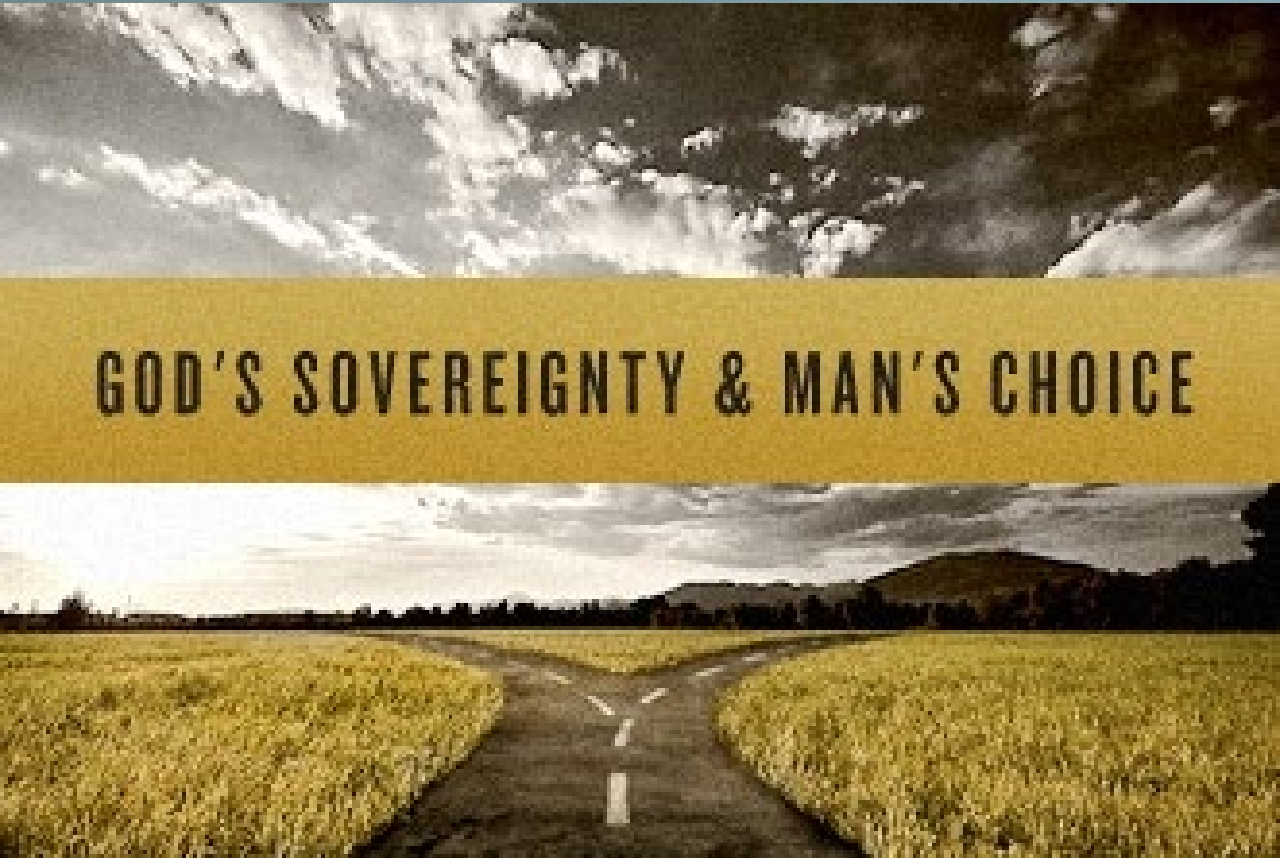


What Is Salvation?



- What does it mean to be saved?
 - Deliverance from danger or suffering
 - Rescue
- Saved from sin and the wrath of God?
- Saved for eternal life and fellowship with God?

Do We have a Choice in Salvation?



- Do we make a choice to be saved?

Or

- Has the choice already been made by God?

God's Choice

The
CHOSEN

- ▶ God chose to give us the choice to go against his will.
- ▶ Our choice can affect God's choice.
- ▶ God's choice is to choose those who choose to have faith in him.
- ▶ Those God knew before he determined before to **choose**.
- ▶ If we are saved by grace through faith (Eph. 2:8), it is our **choice** to have faith?

Are We Saved by Grace through Faith?



- What does that mean?
- What is Grace ?
 - What is included?
 - What is excluded?
- What is Faith?
 - What is included?
 - What is excluded?

Are We Saved by Grace through Faith?

- Ephesians 2:8-9

⁸ For by **grace** you have been saved through **faith**. And this is not your own doing; it is the **gift** of God,
⁹ **not** a result of **works**, so that no one may boast.



How would you define GRACE?

▶ Hebrew:

- ▶ כֶּן – *chen (khen)* = grace/favor = loving kindness, merciful kindness

▶ Greek:

- ▶ ΧΑΡΙΣ – *charis (kharis)* = grace/favor = loving kindness, given freely and generously
- ▶ The Gift of God – δῶρον – *doron* = that which is given or granted

If we are Saved by Grace...



- What is included?
 - Eternal Life
 - All Spiritual blessings
 - Spiritual gifts
- What is excluded?
 - Works
 - The Law

If we are Saved
through Faith...



- What is included?
 - Trust

How would you define FAITH?

▶ Hebrew:

- ▶ אֱמוּנָה – *he'emin* or אמונה *emunah* = faith/trust = to consider to be reliable, trustworthy, steadfast

▶ Greek:

- ▶ πίστις/πίστευω – *pistis/pisteuo* = faith/trust/belief = to have confidence, have trust, rely on.
- ▶ We have **faith** in God and trust him with our lives because we consider him faithful and trustworthy.

If we are Saved
through Faith...



- What else is included?
 - Trust
 - Repentance

How would you define repent?

▶ Hebrew

- ▶ נחם - *naham/nacham* = to be sorry, to lament, to wail, to be penitent – to grieve and to desire to change
- ▶ שׁוּב - *shub* = to turn, to turn back, reverse direction

▶ Greek

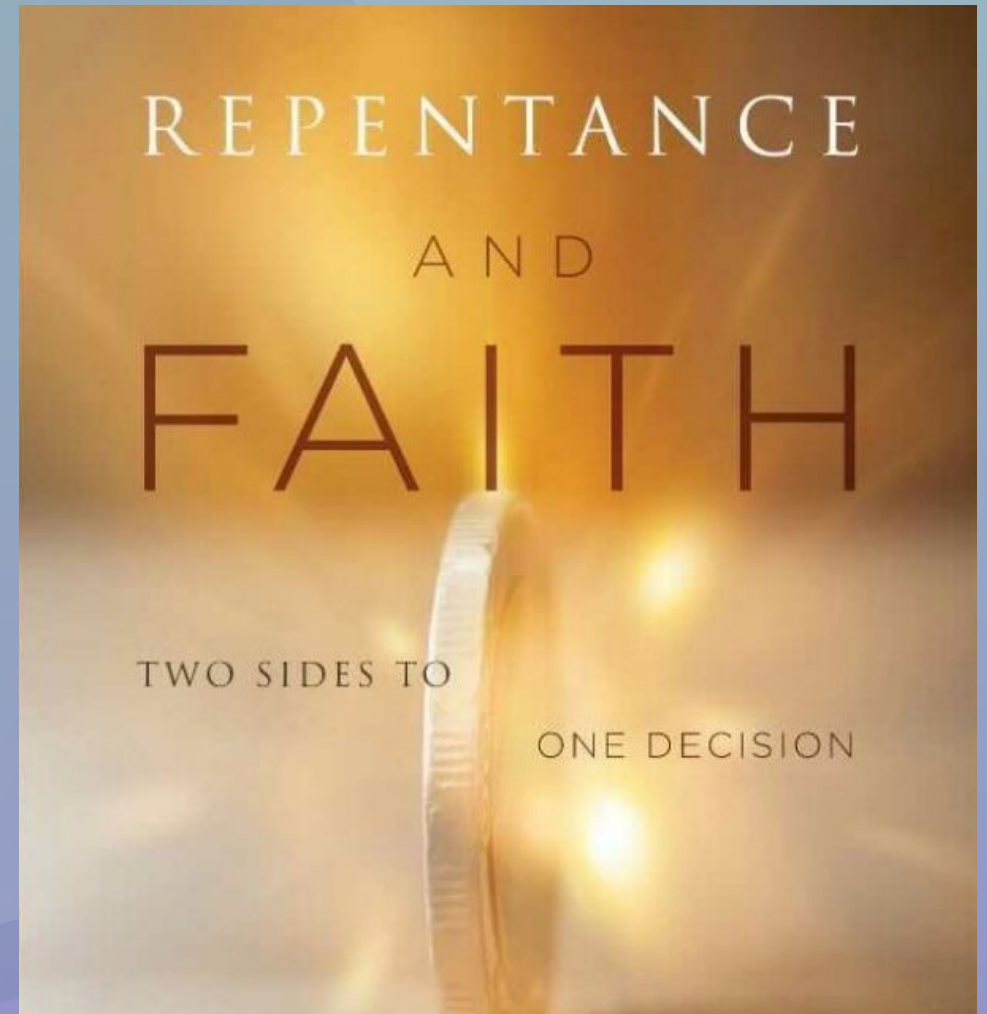
- ▶ μετανοέω – *metanoëo* = to perceive after (a change of mind or purpose)
- ▶ μεταμέλομαι – *metamelomai* = to care after (regret)

Is Repentance Part of a Saving Faith?

2 Peter 3:9

The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should **perish**, but that all should reach **repentance**.

- ▶ Faith (trust) and Repentance are two sides of the same coin.



If we are Saved
through Faith...



- What else is included?
 - Trust
 - Repentance
 - Confession?

How would you define confess?

▶ Hebrew

▶ הָטָא - *yadah* = “to cast the hand” = to confess God’s name; to give thanks or praise; to confess sin

▶ Greek

▶ ὁμολογέω – *homologeō* = “to speak the same” = to confess, declare, profess, admit a person’s name or guilt

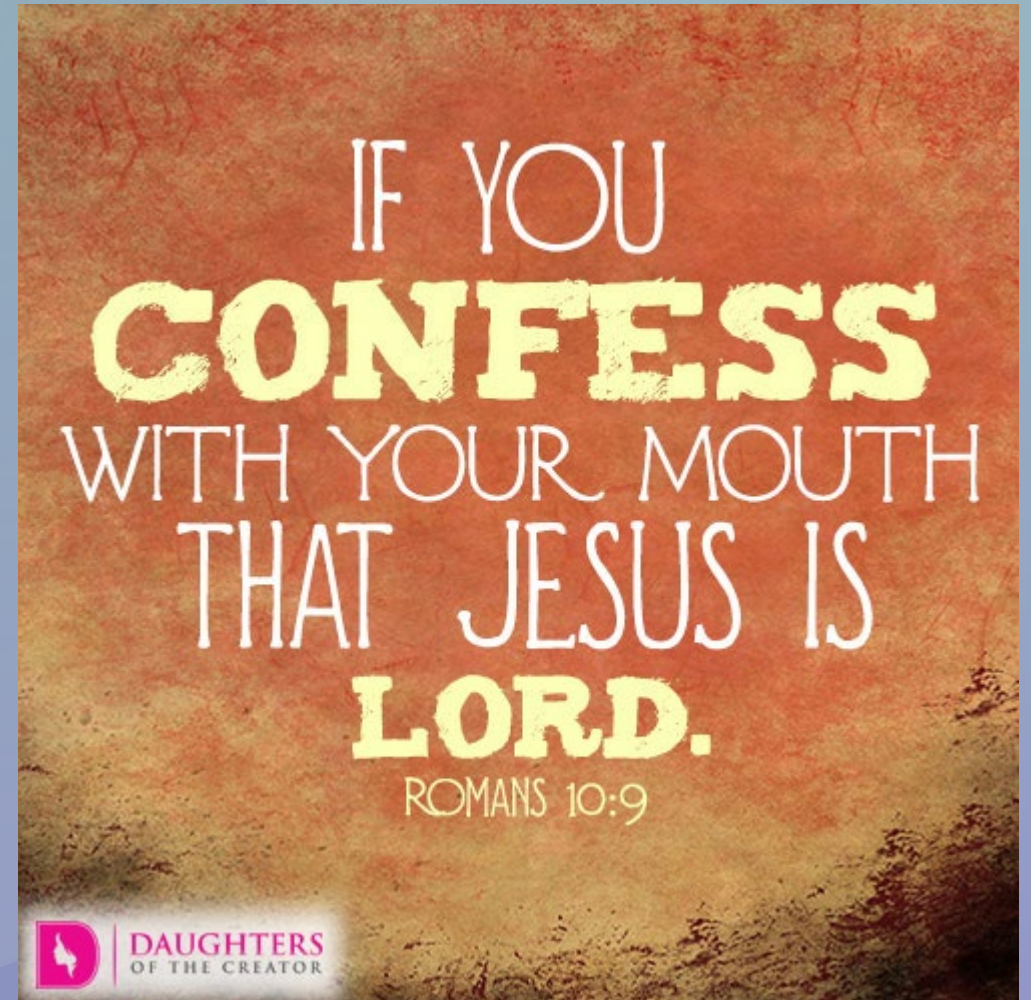


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What Kind of Confession is Part of a Saving Faith?

Romans 10:6, 8-10

⁶ But the righteousness based on faith ... ⁸ But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹ because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.



What does it mean to confess Jesus is Lord?

▶ Matthew 7:21

21 “Not everyone who says to me, ‘**Lord, Lord,**’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who **does the will of my Father** who is in heaven.

▶ Luke 6:46

46 “Why do you call me ‘Lord, Lord,’ and not do what I tell you?”

▶ When we confess Jesus is Lord, do we confess he is our Lord?

Is Obedience Part of Making Jesus Lord and Faith ?

Romans 6:15-17

¹⁵ What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under **grace**? By no means! ¹⁶ Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as **obedient** slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you **obey**, either of sin, which leads to death, or of **obedience, which leads to righteousness**? ¹⁷ But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become **obedient** from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were **committed**,



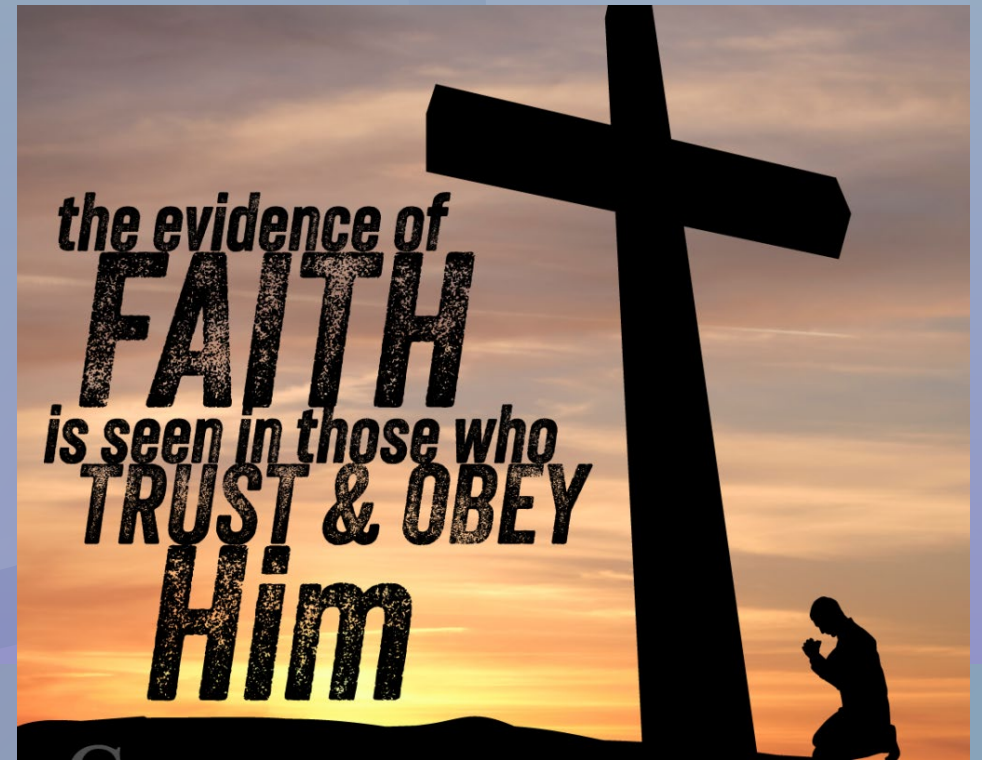
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► Romans 16:25-26

^{25b} according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages ²⁶ but has now been disclosed and through the prophetic writings has been made known to all nations, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the **obedience of faith.**

► 1 Peter 1:22

Having **purified your souls** by your **obedience to the truth** for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart,



How Do We Call Upon the Name of the Lord in Faith?

Romans 10:11-13

¹¹ For the Scripture says,
“Everyone who **believes** in him
will not be put to shame.” ¹² For
there is no distinction between
Jew and Greek; for the same
Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his
riches on all who **call on him**.
¹³ For “everyone who **calls on the
name of the Lord** will be saved.”



**Call on the name
of the Lord**

Acts 2:21

And BE SAVED

How Do We Call Upon the Name of the Lord in Faith?

Acts 22:14-16

And he said, 'The God of our fathers appointed you to know his will, to see the Righteous One and to hear a voice from his mouth; for you will be a witness for him to everyone of what you have seen and heard. And now why do you wait? Rise and **be baptized** and wash away your sins, **calling on his name.**'



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If we are Saved
through Faith...



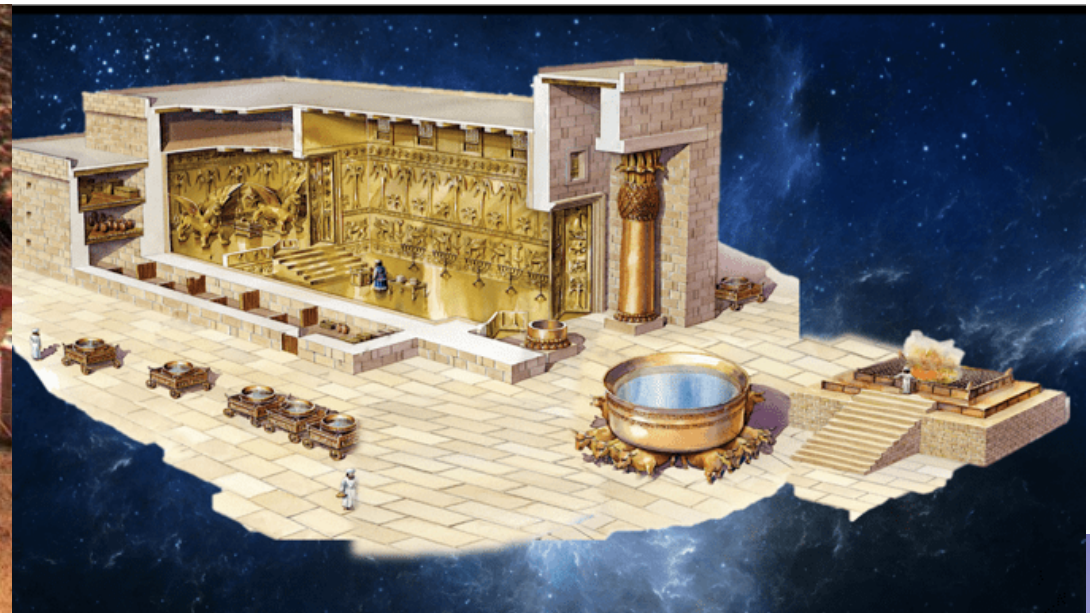
- What else is included?
 - Trust
 - Repentance
 - Confession
 - Baptism?

How would you define baptism?

- ▶ Hebrew

- ▶ רָחַץ - *rachets* = “to wash, to bath” = used to refer to ceremonial (ritual) cleansing

- ▶ including in the bronze laver in front of the tabernacle;





► By 1 BC performed in mikvahs.



► Essenes practiced it and connected it with repentance



How would you define baptism?

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- ▶ רָחַץ - *rachets* = “to wash, to bath” = used to refer to ceremonial (ritual) cleansing

▶ Greek

- ▶ Βάπτισμα – *baptisma* = “baptism” = process of immersion, submersion, and emergence
- ▶ Βάπτισω – *baptizo* = “to baptize” = to dip by submerging (as in dyeing a garment or drawing of water by dipping one vessel into another); to be overwhelmed



Thank you

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