

THE WAY OF SALVATION

BAPTIST TRAINER LESSON 1

God's Plan of Salvation

In the beginning, God created the heaven and the earth. On the sixth day of creation, God created both male and female in His own image. God set them in the midst of the Garden of Eden, and told them to dress and keep it. They were given many plants and fruits for food, but were told not to eat of the tree that was in the midst of the garden. This was the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. The devil entered the garden in the form of a serpent, and tempted Adam and Eve to eat of that tree. As soon as they ate of it, sin entered into them! Since this point, every person born of the seed of man, is born as a sinner, and as such, commits sin. Before you leave this life, you must be forgiven of your sin, and be made right with God. There is only one way for this to take place. This booklet seeks to inform you of the Bible's way of Salvation from your sin!

How can you be forgiven of your sin?

Would you consider yourself to be a "good" person? Yes No

According to 1 John 3:4, what is sin? It is _____
of the _____.

A transgression is an act **that goes against** and outside of boundaries.

What is "the Law"?

The Law is epitomized in the Ten _____ (Exodus 20).

Have you kept, loved, and obeyed God's commandments? Yes No

Have you ever lied (9th Commandment)? Yes No

What does that make you? a _____.

Have you ever stolen (8th Commandment)? Yes No

What does that make you? a _____.

Have you used God's name in vain (4th Commandment)? Yes No
(*This is called blasphemy.*)

Have you looked with lust? Yes No JESUS said that if you look with lust you have committed adultery in your heart; Matthew 5:27-28.

Based on the law, there is no person, on this earth, that can be considered **good in God's sight**. For we have all sinned, and come short of His glory!

By God's standard, have you transgressed His law and commandments?

_____ Yes _____ No

What does Isaiah 59:2 say that sin does to our relationship with God?

It _____ us from Him.

What does Romans 6:23a; Revelation 14:9-11, 20:11-15, 21:8 say about the penalty for sin? The penalty of sin is _____.

These passages describe eternal death. Where do people spend eternal death?

Lake of _____.

Does this concern you? _____ Yes _____ No

Understand that all sinners die eternally, and go to hell, and then, the Lake of Fire. In order to be delivered from sin's penalty, a sinless person would have to be sacrificed for the sake of the sinner. JESUS CHRIST did this for us! (2 Corinthians 5:21, 1 Peter 3:18, Romans 3:10-12, Hebrews 4:14-15).

People often try, through works and "good deeds", to satisfy God's justice and to be delivered from sin, yet they fail. Why? (Romans 3:20)

James 2:10 says that whosoever keeps the whole law and yet offends in _____ point, they are guilty of all. Because God is just, He must judge all lawbreakers the same.

Isaiah 64:6 says that even all of our good deeds are like _____ rags offered to God in an attempt to appease His justice and righteousness.

Ephesians 2:8-9 teaches that we can only be saved by _____ in JESUS' perfect finished work and that no one will be able to boast (or brag) of their works before God.

2 Corinthians 5:21 tells us that Jesus _____ sin for us, who knew no sin, that we might be made the _____ of God in Him.

1 Peter 3:18 tells us that Jesus once _____ for sins, the just for the _____, that he might bring us to God.

What is JESUS' finished work, which can bring us to God? It is the Gospel!

"... Christ [JESUS] _____ for our _____ according to the scriptures; and that He was _____, and that He _____ again the third day according to scriptures..." (1 Corinthians 15:1-4).

Behold the simplicity of salvation!

How can you be forgiven of your sin?

"... If thou shalt _____ with thy mouth The Lord Jesus, and _____ in thine heart that God hath raised him from the death, thou shalt be _____. (Romans 10:9)

Confess = to agree with God, being willing to receive His Word about your sinful condition, and to trust in the work of Christ for your salvation!

Acts 17:30 "And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent:"

For one to confess Christ, they must repent of their attempts to appease God apart from Christ.

John 14:6, "Jesus saith unto him, I am the _____, the truth, and the life: no man _____ unto the Father, but by me."

What does it mean to repent?

Godly _____ worketh repentance not to be repented of. (2 Cor. 7:8-11)?

Godly sorrow comes through Holy Ghost conviction as you realize that you have sinned against God, and deserve to go to hell because of it.

If one does not have Godly sorrow over sin, they are not ready to repent, turning to God to be delivered from their sin, and trust Him as LORD!

Isaiah 55:6-7 says that the wicked must forsake (abandon) his _____, and the unrighteous must forsake his _____.

Have you experienced conviction from God over your sin, such that it produced a godly sorrow? ____ Yes ____ No

What does it mean to believe?

Belief means to _____ (1 Tim. 4:10, 6:17).

When we believe, we transfer all of our trust and confidence to God!

What has God given us to trust in, assuring us that our sins can be forgiven? (John 3:14-21)

God has given us His only begotten _____!

What happens when one truly believes and receives God's Son? (John 1:12)

"God gives them _____ to become the sons of God

Has God done His part to deliver you from sin?

Yes No

Have you done what you need to do (repent, confess and believe)?

Yes No

If no, do you desire to do this?

Yes No

If yes, will you repent, confess and believe right now (2 Cor. 6:2)?

Yes No

If yes, praise God! The LORD JESUS is willing to save you from your sin,
and to cleanse you from all unrighteousness!

Let us go to God in prayer that you may express your faith with your mouth
to Him!

Romans 10:9 "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus,
and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead,
thou shalt be saved."

If you have trusted God for so great salvation, thank & praise Him right
now!

The angels rejoice over one sinner that repents (Luke 15:1-10)!

For those that said NO:

If you have not turned your heart from your own way and trusted in the
crucified and risen LORD JESUS CHRIST, I urge you to do so! Turn
your heart from loving sin to loving JESUS and put all your faith and trust
in Him this very moment! Sin is not worth it! With God's help, hate sin
and love righteousness! JESUS shed His blood to deliver us from sin and
the devil's kingdom. May you benefit from this merciful act of love today!

Why would you die for your crimes against a holy God and go to hell
forever? Trust in Christ! If you do so, God will spiritually place you on
the cross with Him, kill your sin there, place your old sinful man in the
grave, and miraculously raise you from the dead, to walk in newness of
life! JESUS has risen from the dead to prove that He has power over sin,
death, hell and the grave! If you will embrace Christ, He will give you
power to conquer sin, enabling you to do His will! The same power that
resurrected JESUS from the dead is available to you right now! "All we
like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way;
and the LORD hath laid on Him [JESUS] the iniquity of us all." (Isaiah
53:6) **Will you trust in Him now and forever?**

Please know that receiving eternal life means more than just living forever with God! It also means that God's Spirit now lives within us, teaching us about God, and enabling us to live a life of holiness, love, peace, and joy (Revelation 3:20; Galatians 5:22-24)!

Important concluding questions...

Are you 100% sure that you have been saved from your sin and the penalty of sin and have received eternal life?

I have been saved I have not been saved I'm still unsure

Whose side are you on?

Circle one: I'm on God's side! I'm on the devil's side!

If you died this very moment where would you go?

Heaven Hell

If you had died before salvation, where would you have gone?

Heaven Hell

If you KNOW that a supernatural change has been done in your life, you will want to remember and celebrate this day (*just as you remember and may celebrate the day of your physical birth*):

On _____ (date), I turned my heart from sin, confessing JESUS as Lord, and received Him to be my Saviour. He forgave my sin and washed me in His own blood, and gave me His Holy Spirit! He is mighty to save (Isa. 63:1)! He took my hard stoney heart of sin and gave me a broken and contrite heart of flesh that loves and desires to obey Him (Eze. 36:24-28)! Now I am a child of God, a new creature in Christ Jesus! I am His!
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Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new _____: old things are _____; behold, all things are become _____. (2 Corinthians 5:17)

Here are some of the changes you can expect to experience in your new life:

- ___ inner joy and peace (Rom. 15:13)
- ___ heightened awareness of sin (1 Thess. 2:4)
- ___ awareness of God's love (Rom. 5:1-5)
- ___ ability to overcome sin (Rom. 6:6-14)
- ___ desire to study and know the Bible (1 Pet. 2:2).
- ___ eternal concern for others (2 Cor. 5:17-21)
- ___ a hunger, thirst, and power to love and obey God (Matt. 5:6; 2 Cor. 4:7-18; Phil. 2:13)

When you sin in the future, what should you do?

(Proverbs 28:13; Matthew 6:9-15, Luke 11:1-4; 1 John 1:9)

Understand: If you have now received "so great salvation" then you have just started to know and follow JESUS (John 17:3)! Please read what JESUS promises to those who are His and who *follow* Him!

John 10:27-28 "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: 28 And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand."

Memorize a Bible verse.

"He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life." 1 John 5:12.

What Does the LORD Now Require of You?

The first thing that the LORD JESUS would have you to do is be baptized (as a testimony to others of your salvation and to join our church; Acts 8:26-40; 2:41)! It is an awesome opportunity to confess your belief in the LORD JESUS and be baptized! We will meet and thoroughly explain the ordinance of baptism with you as soon as you would like. We also encourage you to ask God to show you five people with whom you can share all that you have learned today. This is not the end, but the beginning, of a New Life in Christ Jesus!

When Do You Desire to Be Baptized and Confess Christ?

Passages that go along with this Booklet

1 John 3:4 Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law.

Exodus 20:3-17 (The Ten Commandments)

1. Thou shalt have no other gods before me.
2. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth: Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.
3. Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain; for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain.
4. Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy.
5. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work: But the seventh day is the sabbath of the LORD thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.
6. Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.
7. Thou shalt not kill.
8. Thou shalt not commit adultery.
9. Thou shalt not steal.
10. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbour's.

Matthew 5:27-28 “Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not commit adultery: 28 But I say unto you, That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart.”

Isaiah 59:2 “But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear.”

Romans 6:23a “For the wages of sin is death; ...”

Revelation 14:9-11 “And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand, 10 The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb: 11 And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever

and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name.”

Revelation 20:11-15 And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. 12 And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. 13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. 14 And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. 15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.20:11-15,

Revelation 21:8 “But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.”

2 Corinthians 5:21 “For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.”

1 Peter 3:18 “For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit:”

Romans 3:10-12 As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one: 11 There is none that understandeth, there is none that seeketh after God. 12 They are all gone out of the way, they are together become unprofitable; there is none that doeth good, no, not one.

Hebrews 4:14-15 Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession. 15 For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.

Romans 3:20 Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight: for by the law is the knowledge of sin.

James 2:10 For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all.

Isaiah 64:6 But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.

Ephesians 2:8-9 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: 9 Not of works, lest any man should boast.

1 Corinthians 15:1-4 “Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand; 2 By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain. 3 For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; 4 And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures:”

Romans 10:9 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.

John 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

2 Corinthians 7:8-11 For though I made you sorry with a letter, I do not repent, though I did repent: for I perceive that the same epistle hath made you sorry, though it were but for a season. 9 Now I rejoyce, not that ye were made sorry, but that ye sorrowed to repentance: for ye were made sorry after a godly manner, that ye might receive damage by us in nothing. 10 For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death. 11 For behold this selfsame thing, that ye sorrowed after a godly sort, what carefulness it wrought in you, yea, what clearing of yourselves, yea, what indignation, yea, what fear, yea, what vehement desire, yea, what zeal, yea, what revenge! In all things ye have approved yourselves to be clear in this matter.

Isaiah 55:6-7 Seek ye the LORD while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near: 7 Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

1 Timothy 4:10 For therefore we both labour and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Saviour of all men, specially of those that believe.

1 Timothy 6:17 Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not highminded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy;

John 3:14-21 And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up: 15 That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life. 16 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. 17 For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved. 18 He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. 19 And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. 20 For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reprov'd. 21 But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God.

John 1:12 But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:

2 Corinthians 6:2 (For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee: behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.)

Luke 15:1-10 Then drew near unto him all the publicans and sinners for to hear him.

2 And the Pharisees and scribes murmured, saying, This man receiveth sinners, and eateth with them. 3 And he spake this parable unto them, saying, 4 What man of you, having an hundred sheep, if he lose one of them, doth not leave the ninety and nine in the wilderness, and go after that which is lost, until he find it? 5 And when he hath found it, he layeth it on his shoulders, rejoicing. 6 And when

he cometh home, he calleth together his friends and neighbours, saying unto them, Rejoice with me; for I have found my sheep which was lost. 7 I say unto you, that likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance. 8 Either what woman having ten pieces of silver, if she lose one piece, doth not light a candle, and sweep the house, and seek diligently till she find it? 9 And when she hath found it, she calleth her friends and her neighbours together, saying, Rejoice with me; for I have found the piece which I had lost. 10 Likewise, I say unto you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth.

Revelation 3:20 Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.

Galatians 5:22-24 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, 23 Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. 24 And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.

2 Corinthians 5:17 Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

Proverbs 28:13 He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy.

Matthew 6:9-15 After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. 10 Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. 11 Give us this day our daily bread. 12 And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. 13 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen. 14 For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you: 15 But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

Luke 11:1-4 And it came to pass, that, as he was praying in a certain place, when he ceased, one of his disciples said unto him, Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples. 2 And he said unto them, When ye pray, say, Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, as in heaven, so in earth. 3 Give us day by day our daily bread. 4 And forgive us our sins; for we also forgive every one that is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.

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

Acts 2:41 Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls.

This study is provided by McGregor Road Baptist Church! We look forward to you attending our services, as the LORD leads!

OPPORTUNITIES TO ATTEND

Sunday

- Sunday School for all ages 9:30am
- Sunday Preaching Service 10:40am
- Youth Night for Ages K-8th grade 5:30pm
- Bible Memory & Preaching Service 6:00pm

Wednesday

- Prayer & Preaching Service 7:00pm

Nursery provided for all services ages 2 and below.

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