

# Salvation Plain and Simple

## Acts 4.10-12

What is Salvation, just plain and simple? We will consider salvation as it is declared in the Word of God.

In our text we discover in,

**Acts 4:12** - *Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, **whereby we must be saved.***

We Must be saved.

Every human being that has ever breathed God's air on planet earth has this same basic need. We MUST be saved according to the word of God.

### 1. Why do we need to be saved? - Because we are all eternally condemned

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

Every person from the time of their birth goes in a way the is “out of the way” that is out of God's way. Righteousness is to be perfectly right with God. To not be right with God or in His way of righteousness is to be gone out of the way.

The having gone the wrong way in the sight of God is called **“SIN.”**

**Romans 3:23** - *For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;*

Every human being is a sinner in the sight of God. We have all gone in a way that is out of the way in respect to God. This is before we are Saved and maybe even some after we are saved.

To have committed sin brings a penalty with it. There is a price tag on sin.

**Romans 6:23** - ***For the wages of sin is death; . . .***

A wage is a price or a cost. All sin, no matter how great or small comes with a price tag. That price tag is **“DEATH!”**

This death is speaking of the coming eternal death.

**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. <sup>12</sup>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.** <sup>13</sup>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.** <sup>14</sup>And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. **This is the second death.** <sup>15</sup>And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was **cast into the lake of fire.**

So the price tag for sin is death, the second death, in the eternal Lake of Fire and Brimstone.

We all need to be saved because we all have earned the same wage, by our sin, we all deserve the Second Death. Everyone, absolutely without exception, must be saved.

## 2. How do we get saved?

In order for a person to get saved they must first understand God's provision for them to be saved.

God in seeing that all people were condemned was not satisfied with that standing for all people so God provided a way for all people to be saved.

**2 Peter 3:9** - *The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, **not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.***

God wants all people to come to repentance and be saved. God does not want you to go to hell. Why?

**John 3:16** - *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.*

**Because God loves you. God loves all people. Absolutely all people!** Without exception.

Therefore God provided a way for you to be saved.

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**Acts 4:10** - *Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, **that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth,** whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, even by him doth this man stand here before you whole.*

**Romans 6:23** - *For the wages of sin is death; **but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.***

Our provision for salvation is through the Lord Jesus Christ,

How is Jesus Christ our provision for salvation?

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Jesus Christ, was was the only begotten Son of God, who was God with us, paid the full penalty we owed for our sins on Calvary's Cross!

*1 John 2:2 - And he is **the propitiation [satisfaction] for our sins:** and not for ours only, **but also for the sins of the whole world.***

*1 John 4:10 - Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, **and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.***

God sent the Lord Jesus Christ, who never knew any sin, to pay your sin debt for you. Jesus paid your full penalty for your sins when he suffered and hung on Calvary's Cross and dies for your sins and mine. Glory to God.

The penalty for your sins has been paid in full if you will have it.

**Jesus is God provision for your salvation!**

**Your full pardon is available if you will have it.**

**Here is how you get saved!**

**Illustration, Pardoned Death Row Prisoner** – Did you know that a death row prisoner can be pardoned by the president of the United States. But do you know that they must accept and receive the pardon to be pardoned. The prisoner can refuse to be pardoned. The Supreme Court says so. So it is with God.

To receive your pardon from God for your sins you must,

***Romans 10:9–10 - 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. <sup>10</sup>For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.***

**You must,**

- **Admit** – Admit you are Sinner. You will never Believe and Confess the Lord Jesus Christ if you do not believe that you need to be saved. If you do not admit you are a sinner in need of salvation.
- **Believe** – You must Believe what God, and the Word of God, says about the Lord Jesus Christ. That Jesus came to save you from your sins and and paid the full penalty for your sins on Calvary's Cross. Also that God on the third day Physically arose from the grave. You must believe this from your heart. That is a fully assured belief.

- **Confess** – Confess that the Lord Jesus Christ is the only one who can save you from your sins.

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### 3. The Results Of Your Salvation

When you receive the Lord Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior you are,

- **Redeemed** – From the penalty of our sins.

*Galatians 3:13 - Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree:*

- **Adopted into the Family of God**

*Galatians 4:5 - To redeem them that were under the law, **that we might receive the adoption of sons.***

*John 1:12–13 - 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: <sup>13</sup>Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.*

- **Sealed with the Holy Spirit** – The Holy Spirit comes into you

*Ephesians 1:13 - In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,*

- **God will never leave you or forsake you**

*Hebrews 13:5 - Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.*