



# Salvation and Belief

From God's Viewpoint



# What does Salvation mean?

- Salvation is being saved - made safe to God from sins and their consequences, from destruction
  - Genesis 3:15: - This is the first record of God promising the Christ
    - “And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.” (KJV)
  - The Christ saves mankind from Adam’s fall
    - Adam fell from the position that God had originally given to him
      - Lost free access to God via holy spirit-life
      - Lost health of physical body
      - Lost dominion over the earth



# What name is given to be saved?

- Jesus Christ has been given by God to save mankind
  - Acts 4:12:
    - <sup>.10</sup>it must be known to you all and to all the people of Israel that in the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene whom you crucified, whom God raised-up out-from dead-people, in this (*Jesus*) this-person has stood-beside before you sound, <sup>.11</sup>this (*Jesus*) is 'the stone, the (*stone*) having been despised by you the builders, the (*stone*) having become into (*the*) head of (*the*) corner', <sup>.12</sup>and the salvation is not in not-one other-person for neither is there a different name under heaven, the (*name*) having been given among men, in which it is necessary (*for*) us to be saved."
  - Acts 5:29-32:
    - <sup>.29</sup>But Peter having answered and the apostles said, "It is necessary to be ruled-persuasively by God rather than men - <sup>.30</sup>the God of our fathers raised-up Jesus whom you handled having hung (*him*) on a wooden-stake; <sup>.31</sup>God heightened this author and savior to His right-side to give repentance to Israel and dismissal of sins; <sup>.32</sup>and we are witnesses of these spoken-matters and the spirit, the holy (*spirit*) which God gave to the (*people*) being ruled-persuasively by Him."
  - Philippians 3:20 and 21:
    - <sup>.20</sup>for our citizenship is-from-the-beginning in (*the*) heavens out-from where also we eagerly-await (*the*) savior (*who is the*) Lord Jesus Christ <sup>.21</sup>who will change-the-outward-figure (*of*) the body of our humiliation (*to be*) formed-together with the body of his glory according to the in-working (*for*) him to be able and to subject all-things to him.



# Who does God want to be saved?

- God intends all men to be saved
  - I Timothy 2:4-6:
    - <sup>4</sup>Who intends all men to be saved and to come into full-knowledge of truth, <sup>5</sup>for (*there is*) one God and one mediator of God and men – man Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>the (*one*) having given himself a redemption on behalf of all-people...
  - Acts 17:30 and 31:
    - <sup>30</sup>Therefore indeed, having looked-over the times of the lack-of-knowledge, God now charges the-things to men: all-people everywhere to repent – <sup>31</sup>as-because He caused a day to-stand in which He is about to judge the inhabited-area in righteousness in an adult-male whom He marked-out-definitely, having presented belief to all-people, having resurrected him out-from dead-people."



# What does Belief mean?

- Belief is:
  - the information that God makes known to people to have confidence-in with assured certainty and surety; what God gives to believe, to have faith-in, to trust; the faith/trust relative to God and the things of God.
    - [it is not referring to some unknown quality, strong conviction, or force-field effect that someone determines or produces by himself/herself for which there is no proof, nor is it 'blind']



# Believe whom or what?

- Believe God – what He says and does
  - Hebrews 11:1:
    - <sup>11:1</sup>But belief is (*the*) substance of matters being hoped, (*the*) proof of (*matters*) not being observed.
  - Hebrews 11:6:
    - <sup>6</sup>But without belief (*a person is*) not-able to well-please; for it is necessary (*for*) the (*person*) coming-towards God to believe that He is and He becomes (*the*) compensation-payer to the (*people*) seeking Him out.
  - Hebrews 12:2:
    - <sup>2</sup>seeing into the author and completer of the belief – Jesus – who, in-the-place-of the joy lying-before him, patiently-endured the cross, having despised shame, and sat-down in (*the*) right-side of the throne of God.



# How many beliefs?

- There is only one belief from God's viewpoint
  - Ephesians 4:4-6:
    - <sup>4</sup>(*for there is*) one body and one spirit, according as also you were called in one hope of your calling, <sup>5</sup>one Lord, one belief, one baptism, <sup>6</sup>one God and Father of all (*holy-people*), the (*One being*) upon all and through all and in all;
  - Titus 1:4:
    - <sup>4</sup>to Titus a genuine child according to (*the*) common belief; grace and peace from God (*the*) Father and Christ Jesus our savior.



# How to be Saved today

- In Romans chapter 10, Paul explains how to become saved to God
  - Romans 10:8b-10:
    - .8<sup>b</sup>This is the spoken-matter of the belief which we herald-forth .<sup>9</sup>that if-ever you may express-agreement in your mouth (*regarding the*) Lord Jesus Christ and you may believe in your heart that God raised him up out-from dead-people you will be saved;  
.10for in (*the*) heart it is believed into righteousness and in (*the*) mouth agreement-is-expressed into salvation.





# How to be Saved today (continued)

- In the Book of Acts, Paul again explains how to become saved to God
  - Acts 16:30 and 31:
    - <sup>.30</sup>And having led them forth outside he said, "Lords, what is necessary (*for*) me to do in order that I may be saved?"
    - <sup>.31</sup>And the (*two men*) said, "You must believe on the Lord Jesus and you will be saved, you and your house. "
  - Acts 19:4:
    - <sup>.4</sup>But Paul said, "John baptized (*with the*) baptism of repentance saying to the people (*that his purpose is*) into the (*person*) coming after him in order that they may believe – this is: into Jesus."



# How to be Saved today (continued)

- Paul announced and taught repentance and belief
  - Acts 20:18-21:
    - "You well-know from (*the*) first day from which I went-on into Asia how I became with you all the time, <sup>.19</sup>serv-ing-as-a-slave to the Lord with all humbleness-of-mind and tears and temptations, the (*temptations*) having come-together in the deliberate-determinations of the Judeans on me, <sup>.20</sup>as I withdrew nothing of the-things contributing – of not to announce to you and to teach you publicly and according to houses <sup>.21</sup>throughly-witnessing the repentance into God and belief into our Lord Jesus Christ both to Judeans and to Greeks.



# Salvation by means of Belief

- God's Word makes known salvation by means of belief
  - II Timothy 3:14 and 15:
    - <sup>.14</sup>But you must remain in which-things you learned and were given-to-believe having known from whom you learned (*them*),  
<sup>.15</sup>even because from a baby you knew sacred writings, the (*writings*) being able to make you wise into salvation by means of belief, the (*belief*) in Christ Jesus
  - Ephesians 2:8-10:
    - <sup>.8</sup>for with grace you are having been saved by means of belief, and this (*free-gift is*) not out-from you (*but*) the free-gift (*is out-from*) God, <sup>.9</sup>not out-from works in order that someone may not boast –  
<sup>.10</sup>for we are His made-product, having been created in Christ Jesus on good works which God prepared-beforehand in order that we may walk in them.



# Righteousness from Belief

- God looks at the righteousness that comes from Belief
  - Romans 1:16 and 17:
    - <sup>16</sup>for I am not ashamed-of the good-message, for it is *(the)* ability of God into salvation to every-person believing, both to *(the)* Judean firstly and to *(the)* Greek, <sup>17</sup>for *(the)* righteousness of God in it is revealed from belief into belief, according as it was written, "But the righteous-person from belief will live."
  - Romans 3:22:
    - <sup>22</sup>even *(the)* righteousness of God by means of belief of Jesus Christ into all the *(people)* believing – for there is not a distinction
  - Philippians 3:9:
    - <sup>9</sup>and I may be found in him, not having my righteousness, the *(righteousness)* from law, but the *(righteousness)* by means of belief of Christ, the righteousness out-from God on the belief,



# Hear the belief

- People need to hear what to believe – the belief
  - Romans 10:14-17:
    - <sup>.14</sup>Therefore how may they call-upon-to-themselves into whom they did not believe, and how may they believe whom they did not hear, and how may they cause-themselves-to-hear without (*a person*) heralding-forth, <sup>.15</sup>and how may they herald-forth except they were apostled? According as it was written, "As the feet of the (*people*) good-messaging the good-things (*are*) beautifully-timed." <sup>.16</sup>But not all-people obeyed the good-message, for Isaiah says, "Lord, who believed the thing-heard of us?"  
<sup>.17</sup>Consequently the belief (*is*) from (*the*) thing-heard, and the thing-heard (*is*) by means of (*the*) spoken-matter of Christ.
  - Ephesians 1:13 and 14:
    - <sup>.13</sup>in whom also you – having heard the word of the truth, the good-message of your salvation, in which also having believed – were sealed with the spirit of the promise, the holy (*spirit*) <sup>.14</sup>which is (*the*) deposit of our inheritance into full-redemption of the acquisition into praise of His glory.
  - I Thessalonians 2:13:
    - <sup>.13</sup>and because-of-this we also thank God unceasingly because having received (*the*) word of hearing of God from us you accepted not (*the*) word of men but according as it truly is: (*the*) word of God, which also is caused-to-in-work in you, the (*people*) believing;
  - Hebrews 4:2:
    - <sup>.2</sup>for also we are having been good-messaged fully-as those-people-also, but the word of hearing did not profit those-people (*who were*) not being mixed-together with the belief to the (*people*) having heard;



# What are the benefits?

- Reception of holy spirit
  - The gift of holy spirit was first made available on the day of Pentecost recorded in Acts chapter 2. In that chapter Peter gives a lot of information, which includes the following:
    - Acts 2:32 and 33:
      - .<sup>32</sup>this Jesus God resurrected of whom we all are witnesses, .<sup>33</sup>therefore having been heightened to the right-side of God and having received the promise of the spirit, the holy (*spirit*), from the Father, he poured-out this which you observe and hear,



# What are the benefits? (continued)

- All holy-people (Christians) are sons of God by birth and we cannot lose our salvation.
  - Romans 8:14-17:
    - <sup>.14</sup>for as-many-as are led by (*the*) spirit of God these-people are sons of God;
    - <sup>.15</sup>for you did not receive a spirit of slavery again into fear, but you received a spirit of sonship – in which we shout, "Abba, Father";
    - <sup>.16</sup>the Spirit Itself bears-witness-together with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>.17</sup>and since children also inheritors, inheritors indeed of God and inheritors-together with Christ since-indeed we suffer-together with (*him*) in order that we may be glorified-together with (*him*).
  - Galatians 4:4-7:
    - <sup>.4</sup>but when the fullness of the time came God apostled-out His son, having come-into-being from a woman, having come-into-being under law <sup>.5</sup>in order that he may redeem the (*people*) under law, in order that we may receive the sonship; <sup>.6</sup>but (*since it is true*) that you are sons (*it is true that*) God apostled-out His spirit into our hearts shouting, "Abba, Father" – <sup>.7</sup>so-that you are no longer a slave but a son, but since (you are) a son (you are) also an inheritor by means of God.



# What are the benefits? (continued)

- Sons of God and inheritors according to promise
  - Galatians 3:26-29:
    - <sup>.26</sup>for you are all sons of God by means of belief of Christ Jesus, <sup>.27</sup>for as-many (*of*) you were baptized into Christ you clothed-yourselves-with Christ; <sup>.28</sup>there is not in (*you*) a Judean nor a Greek, there is not in (*you*) a slave nor a freeman, there is not in (*you*) a male and a female, for you all are of Christ Jesus, <sup>.29</sup>but since you (*are*) of Christ consequently you are seed of Abraham, inheritors according to promise.





# What are the benefits? (continued)

- Holy-people have received dismissal of sins
  - Acts 10:43:
    - .<sup>43</sup>to this (*Jesus*) all the prophets witness (*that*) by means of his name every-person believing into him (*is*) to receive dismissal of sins.
  - Acts 13:38 and 39:
    - .<sup>38</sup>Therefore it must be known to you, adult-males, brothers, that by means of this (*Jesus*) is messaged to you dismissal of sins from all-things of-which you were not caused-to-be-able to be made-righteous in (*the*) law of Moses – .<sup>39</sup>in this (*Jesus*) every-person believing is made-righteous.



# What are the benefits? (continued)

- Saved physically and spiritually
  - Acts 14:8-10:
    - <sup>.8</sup>And some adult-male sat-down in Lystra not-able with (*his*) feet lame from his mother's womb who never walked, <sup>.9</sup>this-person heard Paul uttering-forth who, having gazed-intently-on him and having known that he has belief to be saved, <sup>.10</sup>said with a great sound, "You must stand-up upright on your feet" – and he leaped and walked.
  - Acts 26:15-18:
    - And the Lord said, 'I am Jesus whom you persecute; <sup>.16</sup>but you must stand-up and you must stand on your feet for into this I was seen by you to hand-pick you (*as*) an assistant and a witness both of-which-things you saw and of-which-things I will cause-to-be-seen by you, <sup>.17</sup>taking you to-myself out-from the people and out-from the Gentiles into whom I apostle you <sup>.18</sup>to open their eyes: (*for them*) to turn-back from darkness into light, and the authority of satan on God, (*for*) them to receive dismissal of sins, and a lot among the (*people*) having been made-holy by belief, the (*belief*) into me.'
  - Philippians 1:19:
    - <sup>.19</sup>but I knew that this will go-away to me into salvation by means of your supplication and full-supply of the spirit of Christ Jesus,



# Belief after Salvation

- Holy-people receive specific belief regarding different situations and circumstances via the gift of holy spirit
  - I Corinthians 12:7-11:
    - <sup>7</sup>But the manifestation of the spirit is given to each-person towards the contributing, <sup>8</sup>for indeed, for which (*contribution*) a word of wisdom is given by means of the spirit, but for another (*contribution*) a word of knowledge according to the same spirit, <sup>9</sup>but for a different (*contribution*) belief in the same spirit, but for another (*contribution*) gracious-gifts of healings in the spirit, <sup>10</sup>but for another (*contribution*) in-workings of ability, for another (*contribution*) prophecy, for another (*contribution*) through-judgments of spirits, for a different (*contribution*) genera of tongues, but for another (*contribution*) interpretation of tongues – <sup>11</sup>but the one and the same spirit in-works all these, diverging to each-person according as it deliberately-determines,



# Belief after Salvation (continued)

- Holy-people can take belief that is made available as picking fruit from the gift of holy spirit at any time
  - Galatians 5:22 and 23:
    - .<sup>22</sup>But the fruit of the spirit is: love, joy, peace, patience, benevolence, goodness, belief, .<sup>23</sup>meekness, self-control – against the things-of-this-kind there is not law,



# Belief after Salvation (continued)

- An angel can pass along the message of belief regarding a specific situation or circumstance
  - Acts 27:22-26:
    - I advise you to be well-minded for there will be not-one throwing-away of soul from you, besides of the ship, <sup>.23</sup>for an angel of God, Whose I am and to Whom I render-service, stood-beside me this night <sup>.24</sup>saying, 'You must not be fearful, Paul, it is necessary (*for*) you to stand-beside Caesar; and look!, God has graced to you all the (*people*) sailing with you.' <sup>.25</sup>On-this-account you must be well-minded, adult-males, for I believe God that thus it will be according to which manner it was uttered-forth to me, <sup>.26</sup>but it is necessary (*for*) us to fall into some island."



# Walk by means of Belief

- Holy-people should walk (behave, conduct ourselves) through belief
  - II Corinthians 5:7:
    - .7for by means of belief we walk, not by means of a seen-thing,
  - Romans 12:3:
    - .3For I say by means of the grace, the (*grace*) having been given to me, to every-person being among you, not to super-think against that-which it is necessary to think but to think with-a-view to soundly-think as God distributed a measure of belief to each-person;
  - I Thessalonians 1:3:
    - .3unceasingly remembering your work of the belief, and labor of the love, and patient-endurance of the hope of our Lord Jesus Christ, in-front-of our God and Father,



# Believable Word and Believing men

- The good-message regarding the Lord Jesus Christ is to be taught to all people
  - II Timothy 2:2:
    - <sup>2</sup>and the-things-which you heard from me by means of many witnesses these-things you must put-beside believing men, the-people-who will be sufficient also to teach different-people.
  - Titus 1:9:
    - <sup>9</sup>holding-fast-to the believable word according to the teaching in order that he may be able also to encourage in the teaching, the (*teaching*) being sound, and to refute the (*people*) contradicting (*it*).
  - Colossians 4:7:
    - <sup>7</sup>Tychicus, the loved brother and believing minister and slave-together in (*the*) Lord, will make-known all-things according to me to you,



# Defensive Weapons

- Paul details the two defensive weapons which are parts of the full-armor of God
  - Ephesians 6:16 and 17:
    - <sup>.16</sup>in all-things having taken-up the shield of the belief in which you will be able to quench all the missiles of the evil-one having been set-on-fire, <sup>.17</sup>and you must accept the helmet of the salvation and the sword of the spirit, which is (*the*) spoken-matter of God,





# In the Contest keeping the Belief

- Run the race – participate in the Contest
  - I Timothy 6:10-12:
    - <sup>10</sup>for the love-for-silver is a root of all the bad-things, of which some-people reaching-for were caused-to-wander away-from the belief and pierced themselves with many pains. <sup>11</sup>But you, oh man of God, must flee these-things, but you must pursue righteousness, reverence, belief, love, patient-endurance, meekness. <sup>12</sup>You must contest the beautiful contest of the belief. You must take-hold-on the eternal life into which you were called and you expressed-agreement (*regarding*) the beautiful agreement before many witnesses.
  - II Timothy 4:7:
    - <sup>7</sup>I contested the beautiful contest, I completed the race, I kept the belief;



# Belief without Hypocrisy

- Holy-people are to have un-hypocritical belief relative-to God
  - I Timothy 1:3-5:
    - <sup>3</sup>According as I encouraged you to remain in Ephesus, (*while I am*) journeying into Macedonia, in order that you may charge to some-people not to differently-teach, <sup>4</sup>neither to have-attention to fables and interminable genealogies the-things-which present seekings rather than God's stewardship, the (*stewardship*) in belief; <sup>5</sup>but the completion of the charge is love out-from a clean heart and good conscience and belief without-hypocrisy,
  - I Corinthians 4:1 and 2:
    - <sup>4:1</sup>Thus a man must calculate us as assistants of Christ and stewards of (*the*) mysteries of God; <sup>2</sup>here from-now-on you must seek-after among the stewards in order that someone may be found believing.



# Does unbelief affect God's Belief?

- Even if some people do not believe what God says – this does not render the belief of God ineffective
  - Romans 3:3 and 4:
    - <sup>3</sup>For what if some-people disbelieved, their unbelief will not render-ineffective the belief of God, will it? – (*no*) – <sup>4</sup>may it not become!...



# Believer versus Unbeliever

- There is no sharing part between a believer and an unbeliever
  - II Corinthians 6:14 and 15:
    - .<sup>14</sup>You must not become differently-yoked with unbelievers, for what sharing (*is there with*) righteousness and lawlessness, or what sharing-in-common (*is there with*) light towards darkness? .<sup>15</sup>But what agreement (*is there*) of Christ towards Belial, or what part (*is there with*) a believer with an unbeliever?
  - I John 4:1:
    - <sup>4:1</sup>Loved-people, you must not believe every spirit, but you must prove the spirits if they are out-from God because many lying-prophets went-out into the world.



# Are you in the Belief?

- We test ourselves if we are living our everyday lives in the belief
  - II Corinthians 13:5 and 6:
    - .<sup>5</sup>You must make-trial-of yourselves if you are in the belief, you must prove yourselves, or don't you fully-know yourselves that Christ Jesus (*is*) in you since (*it is*) not-something (*that*) you are unapproved-people –
    - .<sup>6</sup>but I hope that you will know that we are not unapproved-people!



# God is Believable

- God is believable (faithful)
  - I Corinthians 1:9:
    - <sup>9</sup>God (*is*) believable, by means of Whom you were called into (*the*) sharing-in-common of His son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
  - I Corinthians 10:13:
    - <sup>13</sup>A temptation has not taken you except a manly (*temptation*) – but God (*is*) believable Who will not let you to be tempted over that-which you are able but He will make together with the temptation even the way-out-from (*it for you*) to be able to bear-up.