

“FUNDAMENTALS OF THE FAITH”

‘SOTERIOLOGY’

(Our Salvation / part 1)

For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them. Ephesians 2:8-10

Discussion Group Questions from ‘Salvation’ & ‘Conversion’ Workbook pages 47-52

(Based on the on-line exposition of Ephesians 2:8-10)

- Talk about how this world, our flesh and the forces of Satan, cleverly conspire to keep lost souls ‘*dead in trespasses*’ and sin. How does this total lostness make God’s rescue mission even more precious?
- What were you trusting before sincerely coming to Christ, to get into heaven? What convinced you that ‘other ways’ were not acceptable and you needed God’s way?
- Does God’s total sovereignty in choosing some to choose Him (*election*) comfort you with assurance (*Romans 9:11, Ephesians 1:4-6, 1 Thessalonians 1:4, 1 Peter 1:2*)? Discuss answers.
- How can you tell whether or not someone is likely to be truly one of God’s ‘*chosen people*’? Are there any biblical proofs of truly saved people?
- Talk about what real repentance is according to Scripture (*2 Corinthians 7:9-11*). Is repentance part of salvation (*Acts 20:20-21, Luke 13:3, 5*)? Where must repentance come from (*2 Timothy 2:25-26*)?