

Sovereign Grace Church
“What Must I Do to Be Saved?” outline
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We have considered several questions that all people need to answer in order to live a meaningful life: Who or what is God? What is it to be a human being? What is sin? and What is salvation?

We now come to the important question of we are expected to do about these things. If salvation is a restored life of love and fellowship with our Creator God.....and this salvation is only obtainable through Jesus....what do we have to DO in order to get it? In that this salvation is ultimately a work of God and His gracious love do we have to do anything? Will it just happen to us....IF it happens? Or do we have to earn it?

The Scriptures are quite clear that we humans are responsible to seek out our salvation....even though we do not have the power in ourselves to bring it about. What then are the conditions of salvation?

1. Review: The Meaning of Salvation

Gal 2: 20

2. Conditions for Salvation....What must we DO?

- **Repentance**
Ac. 3: 19; Matt 4: 17; 27: 3-5; II Cor 7: 10

- **Belief**
Jn 3: 16; I Jn 2: 4-5

- **Abiding**
Jn 15: 4; I Thess 5: 17

- **Seeking**
II Chron. 12: 14; Deut 4: 29; Matt 7: 7; Ac 17: 24-28

- **Scripture**
II Tim. 3: 15

- **Power**
Eph. 2: 8-10

3. Our Assurance of Salvation

Questions for Reflection and Conversation

- 1. If salvation is by grace, why do we have to repent and believe in order to be saved....even though we clearly do? What is grace? How does grace relate to work? Is grace the absence of work? Or the fuel of work?**
- 2. What has been your experience with repentance? Are there certain sins in your life that you have repented of.....more than once? Is it possible to repent for the moment? Is it possible to repent for the future? If not, what does this say about repentance as an act?**
- 3. How do belief and knowledge interact? Can you have one without the other? Can you believe without knowing what you believe or that you are believing? Should our beliefs be based on knowledge? Was Abraham's faith based on knowledge? What did he know that encouraged his faith? How does belief relate to trust. Can you know something and not entrust yourself to it?**
- 4. What does it mean to abide in Christ? What does it mean to carry on your life's work in the company of Jesus? If we are to live our lives in Christ....what does it mean to build a house in Christ? What does it mean to do a research paper in Christ? What does it mean to raise a child in Christ? What does it mean to wash a car in Christ? Are these activities just a matter of following Scriptural principles & patterns? What else is needed?**