How God saves people - part 2

**Experience God’s salvation**

**Monday**

Read Romans 10:1-4, Romans 16:14-20

Jesus has performed all the requirements of the law for you to be righteous. Just **rest** all day in this reality.

**Tuesday**

Read Hebrews 9:11-10:39

Your salvation from God is progressive; it never stops. **Journalize** your journey of salvation so far.

**Wednesday**

Read Romans 3

Just like you can’t manufacture gold or silver, you can’t produce righteousness either. It can only be received from Jesus. **Mediate** on this reality today.

**Thursday**

Read Romans 10:5-10

Declare out loud your faith in Jesus and be saved today. **Praise** God that He saved you!

**Friday**

Read Romans 10:11-13, Psalm 107

Call out to God in your trouble and be saved. **Memorize** some scriptures about salvation.

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Romans 10 New International Version (NIV)

**10**Brothers and sisters, my heart’s desire and prayer to God for the Israelites is that they may be saved. **2**For I can testify about them that they are zealous for God, but their zeal is not based on knowledge. **3**Since they did not know the righteousness of God and sought to establish their own, they did not submit to God’s righteousness. **4**Christ is the culmination of the law so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes.

Jesus is the culmination of your performance requirements.

Jesus’ performance, His accomplishment means we never have to prove ourselves to Him.

Example: marathon runner

Romans 16:20 New International Version (NIV)

**20**The God of peace will soon crush Satan…under your feet.

The grace of our Lord Jesus be with you.

How Jesus was the culmination of the law and its requirements for our righteousness

Jesus’ salvation is progressive; it never stops…”from the womb to the tomb”

**Hebrews 9:14**How much more, then, will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from acts that lead to death, so that we may serve the living God!

**15**For this reason Christ is the mediator of a new covenant, that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance—now that he has died as a ransom to set them free from the sins committed under the first covenant.

If we sin while under grace, that is one thing. But when you sin under the law, you are immediately mastered by your sin.

Example: wrong-doing under a harsh foster parent vs a loving parent

Romans 6:14 New International Version (NIV)

**14**For sin shall no longer be your master, because you are not under the law, but under grace.

If you don’t want sin to be your master, come out from under the law and live under grace.

**26**But he has appeared once for all at the culmination of the ages to do away with sin by the sacrifice of himself. **27**Just as people are destined to die once, and after that to face judgment, **28**so Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many; and he will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for him.

**Hebrews 10:2**Otherwise, would they not have stopped being offered? For the worshipers would have been cleansed once for all, and would no longer have felt guilty for their sins.

**14**For by one sacrifice he has made perfect forever those who are being made holy.

**15**The Holy Spirit also testifies to us about this. First he says:

**16**“This is the covenant I will make with them

after that time, says the Lord.

I will put my laws in their hearts,

    and I will write them on their minds.”

**17**Then he adds:

“Their sins and lawless acts

    I will remember no more.”

**18**And where these have been forgiven, sacrifice for sin is no longer necessary.

**19**Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, **20**by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, **21**and since we have a great priest over the house of God, **22**let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. **23**Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. **24**And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, **25**not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

How God progressively saves people…

Jesus’ offering of Himself to God for all of us:

1. Cleanses our consciences (no longer feel guilty for sin) so that we can serve God
2. Sets us free from our former sins; He literally takes away our sin
3. He brings salvation to us
4. We are made perfect forever; He sees us ‘through’ Jesus’ sacrifice
5. We are progressively made holy, set apart for God’s purpose, to serve Him
6. Our hearts and our minds are changed
7. Our sin is forgiven and forgotten
8. Confidence with God, to get close to Him
9. We hold onto hope
10. We help and encourage each other as we meet together

**4**Christ is the culmination of the law so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes.

In order for someone to be saved by Jesus, they must come to grips of 3 things.

* God’s has a law of perfection
* God expect us to be righteousness
* We haven’t met the requirements of His law (we’ve sinned) and we don’t have righteousness in us

**Romans 3:23 New International Version (NIV)**

**23**for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

**Romans 3:20**Therefore no one will be declared righteous in God’s sight by the works of the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of our sin.

The purpose of the law is not to make you righteous. It just informs you what is good for you and what is bad for you.

God’s righteousness is a spiritual thing that comes from God…it can’t be produced here on earth out of our own hearts.

It’s like precious metals, gold or silver. You mine for them, you don’t produce them.

Stop trying to produce your own spiritual righteousness…it only comes from heaven…so turn to the source.

**5**Moses writes this about the righteousness that is by the law: “The person who does these things will live by them.” **6**But the righteousness that is by faith says: “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down)  - Jesus is Lord **7**“or ‘Who will descend into the deep?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). - Jesus has been raised from the dead …Don’t descend into the deep but take your elevated position with Him. Otherwise you will live a defeated life instead of a victorious life.

**8**But what does it say? “The word is near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart,” that is, the message concerning faith that we proclaim: **9**If you declare with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. **10**For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved.

The declaration of faith in Jesus saves you!

As a country we weren’t independent until we declared independence.

Begin to declare the salvation God has brought to your life. Declare those things which save you!

* Declare His Lordship over your life and over those you love and care about.
* Declare that He has risen.

If you believe in something, you will talk about it.

You will go from defeat to victorious salvation!

**11**As Scripture says, “Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame.” **12**For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile (chosen or those who weren’t part of the chosen heritage)—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, **13**for, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

Salvation instantly comes to those who call out to God.

If you are drowning and call out a lifeguard comes and saves you.

Call out to Jesus in your trouble and Jesus will come rescue you.

How God saves people is when they call out to Him.

Pray for people to call out to Jesus in their trouble. Also tell them, remind them that when things get hard to call out to God. They will never forget what you told them.

Summary - How does God save people:

1. Jesus has performed all the requirements of the law for you to be righteous
2. God’s grace has set you free from your old master
3. Salvation is progressive; it never stops
4. Righteousness can’t be produced, it can only be received
5. Declare your faith in Jesus and be saved
6. Call out to God in your trouble and be saved