

Middleburg Memos

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_____ is the great theme of the Bible. The central focus of the Gospel is the truth that God ______.

SALVATION: The process by which God ______ His _____ through the life, death and resurrection of His Son Jesus Christ

Our ______ explains the need for God's work of salvation. Sin ______ human beings from God, and His judgment against sin created a barrier or chasm that no human ______ could overcome.

Sinners simply cannot solve the problem of sin. Before Christ, we are all _____ in our trespasses and sins (Ephesians 2:1).

The concept of __________stands at the very center of salvation. As Paul reminds us, "While we were still sinners Christ died for us!" (**Romans 5:8**). Christ died _______ sinners and in the _______ of sinners.

Christ's death on the cross was substitutionary because...

- 1. He took the place of the Jewish
- 2. He took _____ place.
- 3. He took the place of the _____.

A crucial factor in receiving Christ as our substitutionary sacrifice is ______. Christians are believers in Christ; they believe what the Bible reveals about ______ He is, ______ He came, ______ He accomplished, and what this ______ for sinners. In other words, saving faith is a ______ faith—a belief that involves the total person, not merely the ______.

An unbelieving world often labels biblical Christianity as simply because the Bible teaches that Jesus Christ is the Savior and that conscious faith in Christ is for salvation. Concise definitions of several key aspects of salvation: GRACE: The ______ of God that provides salvation FAITH: ______ in and personal ______ to Jesus Christ for eternal and abundant life **REPENTANCE:** A change of _____ AND resulting in a turning from sin to God **REGENERATION:** Spiritual
 Remember...
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Additional key aspects of salvation as presented in the BF&M: **JUSTIFICATION:** God's declaration of a believer as through the blood of Christ **SANCTIFICATION:** The position and process of by which a believer is set apart by and for God

GLORIFICATION: The perfection of God's _____ and ____ in believers when they enter God's _____ presence

Cross-References: Genesis 3:15; Exodus 3:14-17; 6:2-8; Matthew 1:21; 4:17; 16:21-26; 27:22-28:6; Luke 1:68-69; 2:28-32; John 1:11-14, 29; 3:3-21, 36; 5:24; 10:9,28-29; 15:1-16; 17:17; Acts 2:21; 4:12; 15:11; 16:30-31; 17:30-31; 20:32; Romans 1:16-18; 2:4; 3:23-25; 4:3ff.; 5:8-10; 6:1-23; 8:1-18, 29-39; 10:9-10, 13; 13:11-14; 1 Corinthians 1:18, 30; 6:19-20; 15:10; 2 Corinthians 5:17-20; Galatians 2:20; 3:13; 5:22-25; 6:15; Ephesians 1:7; 2:8-22; 4:11-16; Philippians 2:12-13; Colossians 1:9-22; 3:1ff.; 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24; 2 Timothy 1:12; Titus 2:11-14; Hebrews 2:1-3; 5:8-9; 9:24-28; 11:1-12:8, 14; James 2:14-26; 1 Peter 1:2-23; 1 John 1:6-2:11; Revelation 3:20; 21:1-22:5