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**A Reminder of the Importance of Salvation**

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**Biblical Salvation:**

*Biblical Salvation is when a person humbles themselves to God in hopes for reconciliation with the Creator. The individual awakens supernaturally from his/her fallen state and believes that Jesus Christ is Lord and that He has the power to forgive mankind's sins. This person believes by faith that Jesus Christ is Lord Almighty and acknowledges that Christ is the only way to heaven. They humble themselves towards Christ by repenting and believing the Gospel of Christ. The Holy Scriptures clearly teaches us this throughout the entire Gospel.*

*The shocking truth from Scriptures teaches this supernatural process from God that was given to His fallen creature (mankind) in hopes that they would turn from our wickedness (iniquities – sin). The following Scriptures explain mankind's separation from our eternal sovereign God. "But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hidden His face from you, that He will not hear." (**Isaiah 59:2**). "for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God," (**Romans 3:23**). Since man is separated from God, the Holy Scriptures also indicates that we must be condemned by God at this moment. The following Scriptural verses teach this undoubtedly. "...but the one not believing is judged already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God". (**John 3:18b**). "Now we know that whatever the Law says, it says to those who are under the Law, that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God". (**Romans 3:19**). Mankind's punishment is thusly understandable once we acknowledge that we are condemned and separated from God. "And as it is appointed for men to die once,*

and after this the judgment”, (**Hebrews 9:27**). “The wicked shall be turned away into Sheol” (which is translated hell), (**Psalms 9:17a**). “For the wages of sin is death”, (**Romans 6:23a**).

However, when a lost individual humbles himself towards God by believing that Jesus Christ died for them, and repents towards God, then they can be reconciled with The Almighty. “But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.” (**Romans 5:8**). “For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that everyone believing into Him should not perish but have eternal life.” (**John 3:16**). We must then acknowledge that Christ is the only way to eternal life. “Jesus said to him, I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.” (**John 14:6**). “Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under Heaven given among men that is required for us to be saved.” (**Acts 4:12**). This Salvation process is by God’s grace and power (Supernatural process), man must understand that we cannot save ourselves. This process is not of works but from God’s merciful love to mankind. “For by grace you are saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not of works, that no one should boast.” (**Ephesians 2:8-9**).

Now that you have the truth, the decision is yours! You must repent and believe that God will save your soul. God’s SALVATION is a gift to all of humanity. Will you turn from your iniquities? God seeks no one to perish but for all to come to repentance. **2<sup>nd</sup> Peter 3:9** states – “The Lord is not slow concerning His promise, as some count slowness, but is longsuffering toward us, not purposing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.” You MUST REPENT and be converted in order to be reconciled with God. **Acts 3:19a** – “Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out,” (Repentance is when a person admits his guilt to God, and sincerely desires to turn from their sin, abhorring their very state.) Can you afford to wait? The Bible says, “...Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation...” (**2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 6:2b**). “Do not boast about tomorrow, for you do not know what a day may bring forth.” (**Proverbs 27:1**). Don’t take a chance! Cry out to God now because you might not be alive tomorrow.