

# SALVATION:

# SANCTIFICATION:

# WE GLORY IN:

1. Eternal Phase: This phase of salvation comprises God's will, purpose and plan of the saving of His people. It occurred in the council of eternity past by the sovereignty of a triune God and is expressed in the doctrines of foreknowledge (Romans 8:29), election (Romans 9:11), and predestination (Ephesians 1:4-5).

1. Set apart from the destiny of destruction man earned, unto the destiny of holiness God purposed.

2. Legal Phase: This phase of salvation comprises God's reconciliation and satisfaction of His Holiness in forgiving the sin of His people by the atoning blood of His son, the Lord Jesus Christ. It took place at the crucifixion of Christ about 33 A.D. The legal phase of salvation is expressed in the doctrines of justification (Romans 3:24-26), redemption (Matthew 1:21), substitution, (II Corinthians 5:21) and propitiation (Romans 4:25).

2. Set apart from the penalty of man's sins, unto the righteousness of God.

3. Vital Phase: This phase of salvation takes place in the life of a child when he is born of God, or quickened by the Spirit. It is clearly seen in the doctrine of regeneration. (John 3:8, 5:25; Ephesians 2:1,10)

3. Set apart from death in trespasses and sins, unto spiritual life from God.

4. Practical Phase: This is the progressive work in the child of God after regeneration in conforming his life practically to the life of the Lord Jesus Christ. It is based on God's mercy, but it is the only phase of salvation conditioned upon man's obedience. This phase of salvation is best expressed in the doctrine of conversion and practical sanctification. (Acts 2:40; I Corinthians 9:22; Philippians 2:12)

4. Set apart from serving uncleanness, unto serving righteousness while following God.

5. Final Phase: This is the act of God in the resurrection and glorification of the elect of God making them completely Holy and kept in the presence of Christ forever. This phase of salvation is best expressed in the doctrine of glorification. (Romans 13:11, 8:30)

5. Set apart from the presence of sin, unto the presence of God.

A. The Knowledge of the Lord - [Jeremiah 9:23-24] Thus saith the LORD, Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, neither let the mighty man glory in his might, let not the rich man glory in his riches: But let him that glorieth glory in this, that he understandeth and knoweth me, that I am the LORD which exercise lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness, in the earth: for in these things I delight, saith the LORD.

B. The Person of the Lord - [I Corinthians 1:30-31] But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption: That, according as it is written, He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord.

C. The Strength of the Lord - [II Corinthians 12:9] And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

D. The Cross of the Lord - [Galatians 6:14] But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world.

E. The Presence of the Lord - [I Thessalonians 19-20] For what is our hope, or joy, or crown of rejoicing? Are not even ye in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at his coming? For ye are our glory and joy.

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