



5 MINUTE LESSONS ON THE KINGDOM OF GOD

When Jesus Brings Us Salvation

Yes, **you are saved now**, John 3:36 — *“He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life...”* **You are being saved**, Romans 5:10 — *“For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, it is much more [certain], now that we are reconciled, that we shall be saved (daily delivered from sin’s dominion) through His [resurrection] life”* (AMP). And **you will be saved in the future**, Hebrews 9:28 — *“So Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many people; and He will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for Him”* (NIV).

Until then God leaves us with some instructions. Through the redeeming work of the Savior, that caused a death to sin for the believer (Romans 6:11), sin has now lost its mastery, dominion, and superiority over us (Romans 6:18). The Apostle Paul now tells us through Jesus’ redeeming work and empowerment by the Holy Spirit, how to defeat the law of sin that remains in the mortal, death doomed body (Romans 8:13).

Paul further tells us that the mortal body which carries the law of sin (Romans 7:23), the law or principle of defeat (that he calls evil present with me, Romans 7:21) will totally be destroyed at the time of the resurrection of the believer. At that time the **mortal (subject to death and decay)** body will put on **immortality (life everlasting)** through the resurrection.

“But now it has been revealed to us through the coming of our Savior, Christ Jesus. He has ended the power of death and through the gospel has revealed immortal life.” (2 Timothy 1:10 GNT)

“Neither can they die any more (immortality)... and are the children of God, being the children of the resurrection.” (Luke 20:36)

“Some people keep on doing good (repentance), and seek glory, honor, and immortal life; to them God will give eternal life.” (Romans 2:7 GNT)

When the resurrection of the just takes place we will be like Jesus in all aspects of our spirit, soul and body.

“²Beloved, we are [even here and] now God’s children; it is not yet disclosed (made clear) what we shall be [hereafter], but we know that when He comes and is manifested, we shall [as God’s children] resemble and be like Him,

for we shall see Him just as He [really] is. ³And everyone who has this hope [resting] on Him cleanses (purifies) himself just as He is pure (chaste, undefiled, guiltless).” (1 John 3:2-3 AMP)

So the questions before us are: How are we cleansed? How are we purified? Two things I would say that are based on Hebrews 10:14 (NKJV).

- 1) The Sacrifice of Jesus perfects the believer forever.
- 2) The true believer is the one whose life is in the process of being sanctified. This is also called the fruit that accompanies salvation (Hebrews 6:9; Romans 6:22) and involves the work of the Holy Spirit (Romans 8:13).

Hebrews 10:14 (NKJV) says, “For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are being sanctified.”

The phrase “those who are being sanctified,” in the Greek uses the present tense, indicating that this sanctification is in a process which describes something that happens over and over, a habitual action.

Questions

1 The scriptures reveal that salvation comes to us:

A. now (John 3:36)

“He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life...” - John 3:36

B. daily (Romans 5:10 AMP)

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C. in the future (Hebrews 9:28 NIV)

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2 Immortality (life everlasting) is offered to us:

A. through the gospel (2 Timothy 1:10)

"But is now made manifest by the appearing of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who hath abolished death, and hath brought life and immortality to light through the gospel." - 2 Timothy 1:10

B. through the resurrection of Christ with the believers (1 Corinthians 15:20 NCV)

"But Christ has truly been raised from the dead — the first one and proof that those who sleep in death will also be raised." - 1 Corinthians 15:20 (NCV)

C. through repentance and faith in Christ (Acts 3:19)

*"Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord."
- Acts 3:19*

3 By the one offering of Jesus:

A. the believer is perfected (Hebrews 10:14 NIV)

"because by one sacrifice he has made perfect forever those who are being made holy." - Hebrews 10:14 (NIV)

B. the believer finds forgiveness (Romans 5:9)

"Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him." - Romans 5:9

C. the believer becomes God's child (Romans 8:15-16)

*"¹⁵For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. ¹⁶The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:"
- Romans 8:15-16*

4 True believers:

- A. seek to be holy, for God is holy (1 Peter 1:15-16)

*"¹⁵But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; ¹⁶Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy."
- 1 Peter 1:15-16*

- B. confess their sins when needed (1 John 1:9)

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." - 1 John 1:9

- C. have accepted the rule & reign of God (Acts 17:7)

"Whom Jason hath received: and these all do contrary to the decrees of Caesar, saying that there is another king, one Jesus." - Acts 17:7

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- C. describes an event in the future

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