

Salvation is of the Lord
Matthew 19:16-26

Main Point:

Salvation is entirely of the Lord; therefore, let this truth impact both your witness and your worship.

1. The question at hand is: How can one be saved?
2. One cannot be saved by having an interest in or knowledge of Jesus.
3. One cannot be saved by living a good, moral life either.
4. One can only be saved by following Jesus.
5. In order for one to follow Jesus, God the Father must first enable him to do so.
6. Let this truth impact both your witness and your worship.

Matthew 8:29 ²⁹ And suddenly they cried out, saying, "What have we to do with You, Jesus, You Son of God? Have You come here to torment us before the time?" (NKJV)

Philippians 3:5-6 ⁵ circumcised the eighth day, of the stock of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of the Hebrews; concerning the law, a Pharisee; ⁶ concerning zeal, persecuting the church; concerning the righteousness which is in the law, blameless. (NKJV)

Romans 3:20 ²⁰ Therefore by the deeds of the law no flesh will be justified in His sight ... (NKJV)

Philippians 3:7-9 ⁷ But what things were gain to me, these I have counted loss for Christ. ⁸ Yet indeed I also count all things loss for the excellence of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as rubbish, that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in Him, not having my own righteousness, which is from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which is from God by faith; (NKJV)

Jeremiah 13:23 ²³ Can the Ethiopian change his skin or the leopard its spots? Neither can you do good who are accustomed to doing evil. (NIV)

Genesis 18:14 ¹⁴ "Is anything too hard for the LORD? At the appointed time I will return to you, according to the time of life, and Sarah shall have a son." (NKJV)

Ezekiel 36:26-27 ²⁶ "I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; I will take the heart of stone out of your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. ²⁷ "I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will keep My judgments and do *them*. (NKJV)

2 Thessalonians 3:1 ¹ Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may run *swiftly* and be glorified, just as *it is* with you (NKJV)

1 Corinthians 3:5-6 ⁵ Who then is Paul, and who is Apollos, but ministers through whom you believed, as the Lord gave to each one? ⁶ I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the increase. (NKJV)

Titus 3:4-7 ⁴ But when the kindness and the love of God our Savior toward man appeared, ⁵ not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit, ⁶ whom He poured out on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior, ⁷ that having been justified by His grace we should become heirs according to the hope of eternal life. (NKJV)