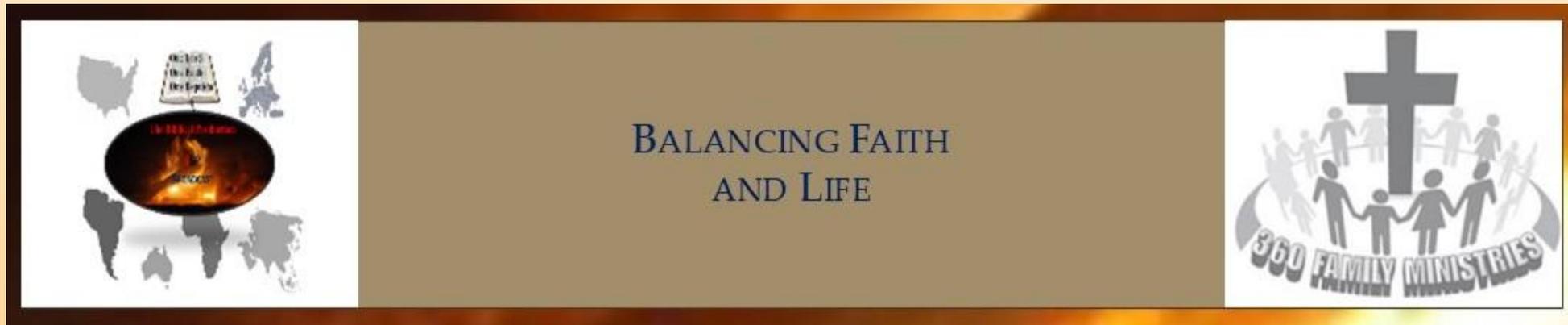


# DOCTRINE OF SOTERIOLOGY



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## Theology III – REDEMPTION

Write these scripture down before we go through the slides:

1. Hebrews 9:8-12
2. Luke 2:22
3. Rom. 12:1
4. 2 Cor 11:2
5. Eph. 5:24-28
6. Col 1:21-22

The will of God is **to present** a living sacrifice  
-Observe and consider  
the offering and sacrifice  
the priest and intercessor  
the Levitical Priesthood  
the Accountability of Numbers  
Jesus the sacrifice and the priest

# SACERDOTAL OFFICE

1. Christ the Mediator, Redeemer, Propitiation, Intercessor (Reconciled)
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## THE DOCTRINE OF SOTERIOLOGY (PURPOSE)

The **purpose** of the doctrine of soteriology is to show how the Holy Spirit applies to the individual sinner the blessed salvation which Christ has secured for all mankind by His vicarious atonement.

**Focus:** The Appropriation Grace of the Holy Spirit; The Way of Salvation; The Order of Salvation

- a. Forgiveness of sins
- b. Means of grace
- c. Creating faith in the heart
- d. Justification
- e. Sanctification

See  
Gal. 4:5  
Eph. 1:5

## THE APPROPRIATION GRACE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

1. “For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him. **Romans 8:13-17 (ESV).**
2. “And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first-fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies” **(Romans 8:23 (ESV)).**

## SENDING THE HOLY SPIRIT

1. The departure of Jesus was necessary, even though it was painful. (See John 16:7.) The Holy Ghost could only come after His resurrection and ascension into heaven. Little did the disciples realize that they would be recipients of a greater blessing through the indwelling Holy Ghost.
2. The physical presence of Christ satisfied their human desires, but the Spirit of Christ dwelling in their hearts would satisfy the deepest needs and longings they had. (See Colossians 1:27.)

## THE WAY OF SALVATION (FORGIVENESS OF SINS)

### **Isaiah 51:6 (ESV)**

<sup>6</sup> Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and they who dwell in it will die in like manner; but my salvation will be forever, and my righteousness will never be dismayed.

### **Isaiah 59:16 (KJV)**

<sup>16</sup> And he saw that *there was* no man, and wondered that *there was* no intercessor: therefore his arm brought salvation unto him; and his righteousness, it sustained him.

### **Luke 1:77 (KJV)**

<sup>77</sup> To give knowledge of salvation unto his people by the remission of their sins,

### **Acts 4:12 (KJV)**

<sup>12</sup> Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

## THE ORDER OF SALVATION (MEANS OF GRACE)

1. “For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace” (**Isaiah 9:6 (KJV)**).
2. See Isaiah 53.
3. See Psalms 22.

# JUSTIFICATION & SANCTIFICATION

1. Justification is by the grace of God. Man cannot justify himself in the flesh.
2. Justification came by Christ obedience all the way to the cross.

<sup>1</sup> What then shall we say was gained by Abraham, our forefather according to the flesh?

<sup>2</sup> For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God.

<sup>3</sup> For what does the Scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness.”

<sup>4</sup> Now to the one who works, his wages are not counted as a gift but as his due.

<sup>5</sup> And to the one who does not work but believes in him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is counted as righteousness,

<sup>6</sup> just as David also speaks of the blessing of the one to whom God counts righteousness apart from works:

<sup>7</sup> “Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven, and whose sins are covered;

<sup>8</sup> blessed is the man against whom the Lord will not count his sin.” **Romans 4:1-8 (ESV)**

# JUSTIFICATION & SANCTIFICATION

1. Christianity teaches sanctification as the effect of justification by grace through faith. Not by works of the flesh.
2. "And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified."  
**Romans 8:28-30 (ESV)**

## ANSWERING OUR NEEDS

1. Jesus, after His ascension, entered into the heavens as our High Priest to continually make intercession for us (Romans 8:34). (See also Hebrews 4:14-16.) He did not go with the blood of bulls and goats to make atonement for the sins of mankind, but with His own blood He purchased our forgiveness.
2. He does not enter into a temple made with hands, but into a heavenly temple. Moreover, so effective was His sacrifice for sin that never again will there be need for another sacrifice for sin; His blood forever washes away the sins of the whole world.