### Ephesians 2:8-10 (NIV)

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith - and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God - [9] not by works, so that no one can boast. [10] For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

### John 5:24 (NIV)

I tell you the truth, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be condemned; he has crossed over from death to life.

### John 10:27-30 (NIV)

My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. [28] I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of my hand. [29] My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand. [30] I and the Father are one.

# We BELIEVE we... are Saved BY Grace and SECURE

Ephesians 2:8-10

### We are all **BORN** with a **Sin NATURE** - we quickly learn to **Sin by CHOICE**

Romans 6:23 (NIV)

For the **WAGES** of sin is **DEATH**...

...but the GIFT of God is

eternal life IN Christ Jesus our Lord.

#### 2 Samuel 12:13-14 (HCS)

David responded to Nathan, "I have sinned against the LORD." Then Nathan replied to David, "The LORD has taken away your sin; you will not die. [14] However, because you treated the LORD with such contempt in this matter, the son born to you will die."

2 Samuel 12:22-23 (HCS)

...While the baby was alive, I fasted and wept because I thought, 'Who knows?

The **LORD** may be gracious to me and let him live.' [23] **But now that he is dead**,

why should I fast?

Can I bring him back again?

I'll GO TO him,

but he will never return to me.

Romans 6:23 (NIV)

For the **WAGES** of sin is **DEATH BUT the GIFT** of **God** is **eternal life IN** Christ Jesus our Lord.

John 3:16-17 (NIV)

For God so loved the world that He GAVE His one and only Son, that whoever BELIEVES in Him shall not perish but **HAVE** eternal life. [17] For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but to **SAVE the world** through **Him**.

John 3:18 (NIV)

Whoever **BELIEVES** in **Him** is **not condemned**,

but whoever does not BELIEVE

stands CONDEMNED already

because he has **NOT BELIEVED** 

in the **name of God's** one and **only Son**.

#### To BELIEVE is

more than just intellectual agreement that Jesus died for us.

It means to put our TRUST and

CONFIDENCE

in HIM that ONLY He can SAVE us. LASB

Ephesians 2:8-9 (NIV)

### For it is **BY Grace** you have been **Saved**, **THROUGH Faith**

- and this **not** from yourselves,

it is the GIFT of God -

**NOT by works**, so that no one can boast.

### [8] God SAVED you BY His GRACE - WHEN you BELIEVED.

And you can't take credit for this; it is a **GIFT** from **God**.

[9] Salvation is NOT a REWARD for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it. (NLT)

# Saved BY GRACE alone - THROUGH FAITH alone

John 3:14-15 (NIV)

Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the desert, so the **Son** of **Man** must be **LIFTED UP**,

[15] that everyone who BELIEVES in HIM may HAVE eternal life.

[16] For God so loved the world that He GAVE his one and only Son, that whoever BELIEVES in Him shall not perish but HAVE eternal life

### How can we be SAVED?

- ACCEPT the Fact you deserve to DIE
- RECOGNIZE that Jesus DIED in Your Place
- BELIEVE Jesus Died for you

### → Salvation is God's GIFT to ALL who will Receive it

#### Salvation came at a HEAVY PRICE

Isaiah 53:5 (NIV)

But He was pierced for OUR transgressions,

He was crushed for OUR iniquities;

the punishment that brought us peace was upon Him, and by His wounds we are healed.

John 10:27-29(NIV)

My sheep listen to MY voice;

I know them, and they follow ME.

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and they shall never perish; no one can SNATCH them out of my hand.

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Philippians 1:6 (ESV)

And I am sure of this, that HE who BEGAN a GOOD work in you WILL BRING it to COMPLETION at the day of Jesus Christ.

# CONDITIONAL Promise IF you BELIEVE in Jesus Christ THEN you WILL BE saved

UNCONDITIONAL Promise God who STARTED this work in you
WILL FINISH IT

### When we BELIEVE we... GotQuestions.org

- are a **NEW CREATION** 2 Corinthians 5.17
- are REDEEMED 1 Peter 1:18-19
- are JUSTIFIED Romans 5:1
- are ADOPTED Galatians 4:4
- HAVE Eternal LIFE John 3:16
- are MARKED by God and SEALED by the Holy Spirit - Ephesians 1:13
- cross Over from DEATH to LIFE John 5:24

For a Christian to **REJECT** or **LOSE** his Salvation, God would have to erase His mark, withdraw the Holy Spirit, cancel the Deposit, break His Promises, revoke the Guarantee, **keep** the Inheritance, un-adopt us, un-redeem us, take away His GIFT of salvation, declare us Guilty once more, take us from LIFE to DEATH. GotQuestions.org

### → God Keeps His PROMISES

Malachi 3:6 (NET)
Since, I the LORD, DO NOT
go back on MY PROMISES,
you, sons of Jacob, have not perished.

→ The **Security** of my **Salvation** is **BASED** on **God's PROMISES** - Not my **FEELINGS** 

#### Romans 8:28-39 (NIV)

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

[29] For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the likeness of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers.

[30] And those he predestined, he also called; those he called, he also justified; those he justified, he also glorified.

[31] What, then, shall we say in response to this? If God is for us, who can be against us?

[32] **He who did not spare his own Son,** but **gave him up** for us all -

how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things?

[33] Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen?

It is God who **JUSTIFIES**.

[34] Who is he that condemns?

Christ Jesus, who died - more than that, who was raised to life -

is at the right hand of God and is also INTERCEDING for us.

[35] Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword?

[36] As it is written: "For your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered."

### [37] NO, in ALL these things we are more than conquerors through HIM who loved us.

[38] For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, [39] neither height nor depth, nor ANYTHING ELSE in all CREATION, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is **IN** Christ **Jesus our Lord**.