Salvation

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Doctrine: a set of beliefs held and taught by a Church

Doctrinal Words Series

Old English word for teach or teacher

Churches have doctrinal positions stated in their bylaws.



Doctrinal Words Series

Sovereignty: God is author and finisher of life

Adoption: chosen into God's family as His children

Justification: declared righteous and holy by God

Sanctification: set apart to God, and for God

Regeneration: new life in Christ through the Holy Spirit



Being saved from, protected, or rescued from harm, danger, or death.



Doctrine of Salvation

We believe the salvation of sinners is wholly of grace through faith in the shed blood of Jesus Christ, and that all who receive Him as Savior are regenerated by the Holy Spirit and become children of God. We believe God desires the salvation of all people everywhere.

(Ephesians. 1:7, 2:8-9; John 1:12-13, 29; I Peter:1:18-19; I John 1:9, 2:2; Isaiah. 53:4-12).

Salvation and Easter

Romans 6: 9 – 11, We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him. For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. So, you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Easter in the United States

Easter: an old English word for spring, new life Celebrates our salvation through Jesus.

81% celebrate Easter, even if not Christian

Easter 4th favorite holiday behind Christmas, Thanksgiving, and Halloween

History of Easter

The Council of Nicaea in 325 AD established the date of Easter as the first Sunday after the first full moon following the spring equinox, which is why Easter moves every year.

History of Easter

In old English customs, eggs were a symbol of new life, and rabbits a symbol of fertility.

Easter eggs became ways for Christians to talk about the resurrection – new life - they celebrated.

History of Easter

Easter is based on our belief Jesus was risen on the third day after His death, fulfilling prophecies found throughout the Old Testament. In conquering sin and death, Jesus offered forgiveness and redemption for all who believe in His life, death, and resurrection. Like spring and eggs, belief in Jesus is new life.

History of Easter Verse

Luke 24: 6 – 7, He is not here but has risen. Remember how Jesus told you, while He was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise.



5 Main Reasons



• Reason over supernatural

Lack of Objective Consideration

Refusal to research evidence

Personal Preference and Lifestyle

Rejection of authority for morality

Fear of Repentance and Soul Change

Reluctance to face sin/selfishness

5th: Main Reason PRIDE: Addiction to Self

Proverbs 11:2, When pride comes, then comes disgrace, but with humility comes wisdom.

Proverbs 29:23, One's pride will bring him low, but he who is lowly in spirit will obtain honor

Addiction to Self Pride

Genesis 3:

Satan told Eve God wanted to keep her from her eyes being opened to good and evil... to be like God.

Luke 3:

Jesus 40 days in wilderness Tell stone to be bread, I'll give you the world, Throw yourself off temple

Addiction to Self Pride

1st John 2:16,

For all that is in the world - the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and the pride of life – is not from the Father...

Addiction to Self Pride

Because they exchanged the truth about God for a lie and worshipped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever.

Romans 1: 25,



Roadblock to the Resurrection

Our pride

Desire to control

Our stubborn will

Eternity in Other Major Religions

Islam: Quran says the physical body is resurrected for the day of judgment by God. Jannah (Heaven) or Jahannam (Hell) is determined by the comparison of good deeds vs bad deeds.

Eternity in Other Major Religions

Buddhism: If one achieves nirvana, nothing of the person survives their death. If Buddhists don't reach nirvana, they are reincarnated instead - then only Karma (worth of your deeds) survives death and is transmitted to another body.

Eternity in Other Major Religions

Hinduism:

Samsara: a cycle of birth, death, and rebirth.

Svarga: temporary state of pleasure for good karma

Moshka: break free from samsara; higher plane

Naraka: temporary state of suffering for bad karma

Christianity: Unique Faith for Eternity

The Bible teaches that there is nothing we can do to earn our salvation - in heaven for eternity.

Ephesians 2: 8 – 9, For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Bible: Salvation is an act of God...

...and God Alone

Arise, O Lord! Save me, O my God!...Salvation belongs to the Lord; your blessing be on your people!

Psalm 3: 7 - 8

Acts 4: 12

And there is <u>salvation in no</u> <u>one else</u>, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.

Romans Road to Salvation





Romans 3:23, For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God

We are all sinners

Romans 7:8, For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out.



The penalty for sin is death

Romans 6:23 (a), For the wages of sin is death,

Romans 5:12, Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and <u>death through sin</u>, and so death spread to all men because all sinned...



God provides a way for salvation

Romans 6:23 (b), but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 10:9, That if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved



Salvation is available for everyone

Romans 10:13, For everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

Romans 8:1, Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

Salvation brings peace

Romans 5:1, Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Nothing separates us from God

Romans 8: 38 – 39, For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, 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.

Easter 2025 Your Salvation Day?