



The Doctrine of Salvation

A 10 WEEK STUDY OF THE ORDO SALUTIS

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- 2. Election/Predestination
- 3. Atonement
- 4. Outward and Inward Call
- 5. Regeneration (the new birth)
- 6. Conversion (repentance and faith)
- 7. Justification
- 8. Sanctification
- 9. Glorification
- 10. Spirit Baptism: Where does it fall in the Ordo?

Introduction to Soteriology

- ▶ σωτηρία (sōtēria) "salvation"
- ▶ Systematic Theology
 - MacArthur – pg. 485-664
 - Grudem – pg. 657-840
 - Berkhof – pg. 397-527

Introduction to Soteriology

- ▶ “God is a Savior who has acted in saving grace to redeem from sin and death those who would believe. His plan of redemption began in eternity past, as God the Father set His electing love on underserving sinners, determining to rescue them from the fall and the deserved consequences of their disobedience. He appointed the Lord Jesus Christ, God the Son, to accomplish redemption on behalf of the elect by becoming man, by rendering perfect obedience to God as a man, and by dying as the substitute in the place of His people to pay the penalty for their sin.” – Biblical Doctrine – MacArthur, pg. 486

Introduction to Soteriology

- ▶ The Father's Plan to Redeem (Eph. 1:4-6)
- ▶ The Son's Accomplishment of Redemption (Eph. 1:7-12)
- ▶ The Spirit's Application of Redemption (Eph. 1:13-14)
- ▶ Encompassing the following doctrines: election, reprobation, atonement, calling (outward and inward), regeneration (the new birth), conversion (repentance and faith, justification, union with Christ, adoption, sanctification, perseverance and preservation, and glorification.

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- ▶ The Ultimate Purpose of Salvation:
- ▶ The benefit to sinners?
- ▶ To bring glory and honor to God?
- ▶ Ephesians 1:3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ, 4 just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love, 5 having predestined us to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will, 6 to the praise of the glory of His grace, by which He made us accepted in the Beloved.
- ▶ Psalm 106:8 - Nevertheless He saved them for His name's sake, that He might make His mighty power known.

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- ▶ The Old Testament archetype of God's salvation is the redemption of Israel from Egypt. While God surely had compassion on the plight of His people and desired to see them freed from their yoke of bondage (Exodus 2:23-25; 3:7-8, 16), and while He unmistakably desired to bring justice on Egypt for their cruel oppression (Ex. 3:9; 6:1-9), nevertheless His ultimate concern in Israel's redemption was to honor His name (Ex. 9:16; 14:4, 17-18). Later, as God promises the coming of His Spirit-filled servant to establish justice in the earth, to open blind eyes, and to free prisoners from darkness (Isa. 42:1-7), He proclaims, "I am Yahweh; that is My name. And My glory I will not give to another." (Isa. 42:8) – MacArthur, pg. 486

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- ▶ Ezekiel 36:22 “Therefore say to the house of Israel, ‘Thus says the Lord God: “I do not do this for your sake, O house of Israel, but for My holy name’s sake, which you have profaned among the nations wherever you went. 23 And I will sanctify My great name, which has been profaned among the nations, which you have profaned in their midst; and the nations shall know that I am the Lord,” says the Lord God, “when I am hallowed in you before their eyes.
- ▶ 1 John 2:12 I write to you, little children, because your sins are forgiven you for His name’s sake. – God forgives sins for the sake of His own name!

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- ▶ Any view of salvation that exalts man as God's chief regard necessarily denigrates the glory of God. – MacArthur, pg. 487

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- ▶ The Plan of Redemption:
- ▶ The Decrees of God
- ▶ Election – chosen for salvation
- ▶ Reprobation – passed over for condemnation

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- ▶ Romans 9:14 What shall we say then? Is there unrighteousness with God? Certainly not! 15 For He says to Moses, “I will have mercy on whomever I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whomever I will have compassion.” 16 So then it is not of him who wills, nor of him who runs, but of God who shows mercy. 17 For the Scripture says to the Pharaoh, “For this very purpose I have raised you up, that I may show My power in you, and that My name may be declared in all the earth.” 18 Therefore He has mercy on whom He wills, and whom He wills He hardens.

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- ▶ Romans 9:19 You will say to me then, “Why does He still find fault? For who has resisted His will?” 20 But indeed, O man, who are you to reply against God? Will the thing formed say to him who formed it, “Why have you made me like this?” 21 Does not the potter have power over the clay, from the same lump to make one vessel for honor and another for dishonor? 22 What if God, wanting to show His wrath and to make His power known, endured with much longsuffering the vessels of wrath prepared for destruction, 23 and that He might make known the riches of His glory on the vessels of mercy, which He had prepared beforehand for glory, 24 even us whom He called, not of the Jews only, but also of the Gentiles?

Introduction to Soteriology

- ▶ The Accomplishment of Redemption
- ▶ The Plan of Salvation
- ▶ The Atonement
- ▶ Resurrection, Ascension, Intercession
- ▶ Isaiah 53:10 Yet it pleased the Lord to bruise Him; He has put Him to grief. When You make His soul an offering for sin, He shall see His seed, He shall prolong His days, And the pleasure of the Lord shall prosper in His hand. 11 He shall see the labor of His soul, and be satisfied. By His knowledge My righteous Servant shall justify many, For He shall bear their iniquities. 12 Therefore I will divide Him a portion with the great, And He shall divide the spoil with the strong, Because He poured out His soul unto death, And He was numbered with the transgressors, And He bore the sin of many, And made intercession for the transgressors.

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- ▶ The Application of Redemption
- ▶ The Order of Salvation – Romans 8:29 For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren. 30 Moreover whom He predestined, these He also called; whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified.