

Salvation for the Whole Man

Lesson # 2

As Christians, we begin to learn what it means to walk in the Spirit. We learn to be directed by Him (the Holy Spirit). Jesus took us (delivered us) out of our former bondage and delivered us into the Kingdom of God.

There are two, and only two kingdoms in the universe. One is the kingdom of darkness (Satan's kingdom) and the Kingdom of light, (God's Kingdom) We, as humans, have the choice of walking in one or the other. There is no other alternative. I've walked in both. I am happy to say I prefer the later.

I like I John 1:7, But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ cleanses us from all sin.

We should keep in mind what He (Jesus) has done for us. Isaiah 53: 4- 6. Surely, He has borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows, yet we esteemed Him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. BUT - He was wounded for OUR transgression; He was bruised for OUR iniquities. The chastisement for OUR peace was upon Him, and by His stripes we ARE healed. 6 All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned, everyone to his own way, and the Lord has laid on Him, the iniquity of US ALL.

Jesus began a wonderful thing when He saved our spiritual man, however, that was not the end of His ministry to us. Both He and the Holy Spirit continue to minister to us this "Great Salvation".

The very word salvation means to be saved, healed, preserved, to do well, to be in health, be whole and delivered. This is not just for our Spirit and soul, it is for the whole man, Body, Soul and Spirit.

As a Christian, you should be a full partaker in all the fruits of the Spirit - the full salvation. If you are not, may I suggest that it is simply because of your unbelief. Found in Galatians 5:22

However, it's one thing to have the legal rights, and another to be the partaker of the things our legal rights provide. This walk with Jesus, by means of the Holt Spirit, is one of faith. So then, in order to be a partaker in the things of God, we MUST choose to believe.

We arrived into the Kingdom of God by faith in Jesus Christ, and we continue to be partakers of the good things of God's Kingdom by faith. (Faith that He is able to deliver them).

1. God even provides our faith.

For I say, through the grace given to me (unearned favor from God) to everyone who is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think soberly, as God has dealt to each one of us, a measure of faith. Romans 12:3

2. God wants us to see ourselves as He sees us. He wants us to know His truth and be set free. He wants us to have our minds, our thinking process, free from the distractions of the world.

Romans 12:2 NKJ And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good, and acceptable and perfect will of God.

Romans 12:2 Amplified Do not be conformed to this world - this age, fashioned after and adapted to the external, superficial customs. But be transformed (changed) by the entire renewal of your mind - by it's new ideals and it's attitude - so that you may prove for yourselves, what is the good and acceptable and perfect will of God - even the thing which is good and acceptable and perfect in His sight for you.

Ephesians 4:13 NKJ . . . till we all come to the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure and the stature of the fullness of Christ.

Our whole man is changed as we understand the Word, (the Word of God speaking to us through the scriptures) and our thought life is directed by what God says, and promises, and not our emotions or natural thinking.

Ephesians 4:18 NLT Their minds are full of darkness, they wander far from the life God gives, because they have closed, and hardened their hearts against Him.

God's desire is to have prosperous sons and daughters, but much of the burden of entering into this prosperity rests on us.

Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things, and be in health, just as your soul prospers. III John 2

*Philippians 2:12 NLT Dear friends, you always followed my instructions when I was with you. And now that I am away, it is even more important. **WORK HARD** to show the results of your salvation, obeying God with deep reverence and fear.*

*Isaiah 12:2-3 NKJ See, God has come to save me. I will trust Him and not be afraid. The Lord my God is my strength & my song. **HE HAS GIVEN ME VICTORY.** ³ With joy you will drink deeply from the fountain of salvation. Vs 3 NKJ Therefore with joy, you will draw water from the wells of salvation. **NOTE - you will draw water from the wells of salvation.***

By reading the Word and studying you will find the promises of God, and with the help of the Holy Spirit, by faith, you can walk in them. (The promises)

Often, we think of salvation, or being saved, only in a "religious" sense, that is only of our spirit. The words "saved & salvation" are translated from two Greek words "sozo" & "soteria".

It's interesting to note that the translators translated these two words into a number of different English words in order to express the intended thought. In doing this, the full meaning of these words is brought out as I shall show below.

Sotioria or Health

*Acts 27:34 KJV Wherefore I pray you take some meat: for this is for your health.
Sotioria or Salvation Philippians 2:12 KJV Work out your own salvation with fear & trembling.*

Sozo or Healed

Acts 14:9 KJV The same hear Paul speak: who steadfastly beholding him, and perceiving he had faith to be healed. Also in Mark 5:23 & Luke 8:36

Sozo or Preserved

II Timothy 4:18 KJV And the Lord shall deliver me from every evil work, and will preserve me unto His heavenly Kingdom: to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen

Sozo or Do Well

John 11:12 KJV Then said His disciples, Lord, if he sleep, he shall do well.

Sozo or Be Whole

Matthew 9:21 - 22 KJV For she said within herself, if I may but touch His garment, I shall be made whole. 22 But Jesus turned Him about, and when He saw her, He said, Daughter, be of good comfort, thy faith had made thee whole.

Sozo or Made Whole

Mark 6:56 KJV And whithersoever He entered into villages, or cities, or country, they laid the sick in the streets, and besought Him that they might touch if it were the border of His garment: and as many as touched Him were made whole. Also Mark 10:52, Luke 8:48-50 and Acts 4:9.

Sozo or Saved - Save

Mark 8:35 KJV For whosoever will save his life shall lose it; but whosoever shall lose his life for My sake and the gospel's the same shall save it. Also, in Luke 9:56 For the Son of man is not come to destroy men's lives, but to save them.

I Corinthians 1: 21 It pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe. Also, in I Timothy 1:15 and 2:15, James 5:15, Mark 16:16, Luke 18:42, I Peter 3:21.

When we see the full meaning of salvation, we can then understand that God is concerned for the whole man - and has made provision for him. God has given us a package deal. We receive eternal life through the ministry of Jesus, and many side benefits along the way.

My prayer is that you will embrace this teaching and begin to walk in the fullness of the salvation God has planned out for you.

***NOTE: In writing these teaching lessons, I use three Bibles. They are referenced by:
NKJ - the New King James NLT - The New Living Translation and
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