

# Christ Our Complete Salvation !

“Christ is the sinner’s Substitute and Surety. He has obeyed the law in the sinner’s place, in order that the sinner may believe in Him, and grow up into Him in all things to the full stature of a man (or woman) in Christ Jesus, and thus be complete in Him. **Christ has made reconciliation for sin**, and has borne all its ignominy, reproach, and punishment; and yet while bearing sin, He has brought in everlasting righteousness (Isaiah 45:17-19 & 63:1), so that the believer (every child of God who has faith that He will do in them and for them just as He has promised) is spotless before God.

ref: Romans 5:12-19 and II Corinthians 5:21

The time comes when it is asked, “**Who shall lay anything to the charge of God’s elect?**” and the answer is, “It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again.” He Who has the spotless robe of righteousness, woven in the loom of heaven (Zechariah 3:1-7), in which is not a thread that sinful humanity can claim, is at the right hand of God, to clothe His believing children in the perfect garment of His righteousness. Those who are saved in the kingdom of God will have nothing of which to boast in themselves; the praise and the glory will all flow back to God the giver (as a gift) of Salvation !

But there are many who claim to be children of God who **are resting their hopes** upon other dependencies, rather than on the blood (Life) of Christ alone. When urged to rest their faith wholly upon Christ **as a complete Saviour**, many reveal the fact that they have faith in something that they think they can do. They say, “I have a great deal to do before I can be fit to come to Christ.” Another says, “When I have done to the uttermost all that I can do, then the Lord Jesus will come to my help.”

They imagine that they have a great deal to do themselves **to save their own souls**, and that Jesus will come in and piece out that part which is lacking, and give the finishing stroke to their salvation. These poor souls will not be strong in God until they accept Christ as a complete Saviour. They can add nothing to their Salvation (deliverance, rescue, freedom, healing and restoration) !

The Israelites were required **to sprinkle the door-posts with the blood of a slain lamb**, in order that when the angel of death passed through the land, they might escape destruction. But if instead of doing this simple act of faith and obedience, they had barricaded the door, and taken every precaution to keep the destroying angel out, their pains would have been in vain, and would have testified to their unbelief . . .

When the blood was seen upon the door-post, it was enough. The salvation (freedom, deliverance, rescue, healing and restoration) of the house was assured. **So it is in the work of Salvation**; it is the blood of Jesus Christ that cleanseth from all sin . . .

*“For in that He died, He died unto sin once (Philippians 2:5-8), but in that He liveth . . . He liveth unto God. Likewise, reckon ye also (count it as verily so) yourselves **to be dead indeed** unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord (Sovereign King) . . . !”* Romans 6:10-11 & 6:1-6

It is not now the work of the sinner to make peace with God, but to accept Christ as his peace and righteousness. Thus man becomes one with Christ and one with God. There is no way by which **the heart** may be made holy, save through faith in Christ !”

- Youth Instructor, December 6, 1894

Quote - “The Lord would have His people sound in the faith-- not ignorant of **the great Salvation** (deliverance, rescue, freedom, healing and restoration) so abundantly provided for them . . .

They are not to look forward, thinking that at some future time a great work is to be done for them; for the work is now complete. The believer is not called upon to make his peace with God; he never has nor ever can do this. **He is to accept Christ as his Peace**, for with Christ is God and peace . . .

“Peace I leave with you . . . Yea, My peace I give (grant) unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid . . .”  
John 14:27

“For He is our Peace . . . Who hath made both (God and man) one\* (*ekh-awd* – John 17:21), and hath broken down the middle wall of partition (the veil – Matthew 27:51 and II Corinthians 3:12-16) between us !”  
Ephesians 2:13-14

Christ made an end of sin (Daniel 9:24) . . . “*It is finished !*” . . . bearing its heavy curse in His Own body on the tree, and He hath taken away the curse (Galatians 3:10-14 and Hebrews 10:19-20) from all those who believe in Him as a personal Saviour . . . **He makes an end of the controlling power of sin in the heart**, and the life and character of the believer testify to the genuine character of the grace\* (G5485 - Divine Influence) of Christ.

“**And ye are complete in Him**, which is Head of all principality and power. In Whom also ye are circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, in putting off the body of the sins of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ . . .

Yea, buried with Him in baptism . . . wherein also ye are risen with Him through the faith of the operation\* of God, Who hath raised Him from the dead . . . having forgiven you all trespasses !”

Colossians 2:10-13, ref: Hebrews 4:12 and II Peter 1:4

“**That ye may know** what is the hope\* of His calling, and what is the abundant riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints\* (consecrated, most holy) . . . And what is the exceeding greatness of His power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of His mighty\* power . . .

**Which He wrought in Christ**, when He raised Him from the dead, and set Him at His Own right hand in the heavens . . . far above all principality, and power, and might and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come . . . !”

Ephesians 1:18-21 & I Thessalonians 2:13

To those that ask Him *in faith* (Romans 10:17), Jesus imparts the Holy Spirit; for it is necessary that every believer should be delivered from pollution, as well as from the curse and condemnation of the law. **Through the work of the Holy Spirit**, the sanctification of the Truth (John 17:17 and 6:63), the believer becomes fitted for the courts of heaven; for Christ works within us, and **His righteousness** is upon us. Without this no soul will be entitled to heaven. We would not enjoy heaven unless qualified for its holy atmosphere by the Influence\* (G5485 - grace) of the Spirit and the righteousness of Christ . . . !