

LESSON # 1

**SOME THINGS TO CONSIDER ABOUT
OUR SALVATION EXPERIENCE**

- I. The **CONDITION** we were in before we were saved.
- A. We were _____ in trespasses and sins (Eph. 2:1) and we were _____ from God (Eph. 2:18).
 - B. We were controlled by the _____ who is the prince of the power of the air (Eph, 2:2) and we were doing his will in this world.
 - C. We were without _____ and without _____ in this world with no way to _____ God (Eph. 2:12; Rom. 8:8).
 - D. We were _____ by the devil from seeing the truth of the gospel (II Cor. 4:3,4) and we lived in the darkness of sin and _____ (Eph. 4:18).
 - E. We were justly condemned as _____ (Rom. 3:23), we were under the penalty or wages of sin which is _____ (Rom. 6:23) and we were headed for a devil's hell (Rev. 21:8; Matt. 25:41).
- II. The **COURSE** we followed when we were saved.
- A. We heard the gospel which is the power of God unto _____ (Rom. 1:16) and we were convicted as _____ by the Spirit of God (Jn. 16:7-11).

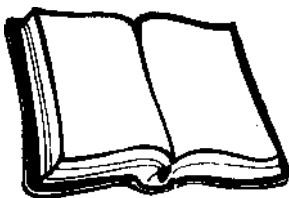
- B. We realized that Christ had _____ (Rom. 5:8) for our sins, and we came to _____ being sorry for our sins and desiring forgiveness (Matt. 21:29). This is illustrated in the prodigal son.
- C. We claimed the Lord's _____ of salvation (Jn. 3:16; Rom. 10:13) and received Christ as our Saviour by _____ (Jn. 3:36).
- D. We evidenced our faith in Christ by _____ upon Him to save us (Rom. 10:13). This is illustrated in the publican's prayer of Luke 18.
- E. We acquired a _____ of salvation which involves a time and a place when we called upon the Lord in faith. Just like every person is born into this world at a certain time in a certain place every genuine believer is born-again into the family of God at a certain time in a certain place. The apostle Paul gave his testimony of salvation many times (Acts 9:1-17; 22:1-18; 26:2-23).

III. The **CHARGES** we have experienced since the Lord Saved us.

- A. We are now _____ of God through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ (Jn. 1:12) having been _____ by the Word of God (I Pet, 1:23).

- B. We are now a new _____ "in Christ"
 (II Cor. 5:17) and have become partakers of the

 nature (1 Pet. 1:4).
- C. We are now _____ (Eph. 5:26) and
 _____ (Col. 1:14; 2:13) of our sins
 as believers and have been _____ by God in
 Christ (Eph. 1:6).
- D. We are no longer under the _____ of
 sin (Rom. 8:1) but we have passed from _____
 unto _____ (John 5:24).
- E. We are now saved by _____ through _____
 (Eph. 2:8) and have been given _____
 life as a free-gift from God (Jn. 10:29; Rom. 5:15).
- F. We are described right after our salvation as
 Newborn _____ who need the
 _____ of God for spiritual growth (I Pet.
 2:2).



IV. **MEMORY VERSES:** Eph, 2:8-10

V. **QUESTIONS** relating to this lesson

1. Why did Christ come into this world?

(I Tim. I:15)_____

2. What two things are involved in the matter of salvation? (Acts 20:21)

3. What did it cost to redeem us from sin's condemnation and bondage? (I Pet. 1:18,19)

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4. What happens in heaven when a sinner repents? (Luke 15:10)_____

5. What is God's will concerning people being saved (I Tim. 2:3,4; II Pet. 3:9).

6. Why do people go to a devil's hell?

(John 3:18; 5:40). _____