

## **Session 3: Salvation**

The only hope of redemption for man is through the shed blood of Jesus Christ the Son of God.1 **Read:** Romans 5:12-19 We learned last week how Adam's sin led to the \_\_\_\_\_ of all mankind. This week we will see how God's gracious gift of Jesus brought \_\_\_\_\_ to all mankind. The dictionary defines redemption as: 1. the action of saving or being saved from sin, error, or evil. 2. the action of regaining or gaining possession of something in \_\_\_\_for payment, or clearing a debt. Read: Romans 5:8-11 God sent His Son to redeem us from the penalty of our sin; \_\_\_\_\_ us to God through the shedding of His blood. Jesus paid a debt for us that we could not satisfy on our own. Why could we not satisfy our own sin debt? (Take time to discuss.) In the Old Testament a sacrifice that was offered to \_\_\_\_\_ a sin debt had to be without blemish or defect. It was a foreshadow of the type of sacrifice that would be necessary to \_\_\_\_\_ us from the debt of sin we owe. (Take some time to elaborate on this idea after reading the following passage.) Read: Hebrews 10:1-18 We read, as far back as the Old Testament, how God had a plan to redeem fallen mankind. Those early sacrifices were pointing to a greater \_\_\_\_\_ that we find in Jesus. Read: 2 Corinthians 5:21: "For God made Christ, who never sinned, to be the offering for our sin, so that we could be made right with God through Christ." What then must we do to be saved?

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1 1</sup> Taken from the Assemblies of God Statement of Fundamental Truths: <u>www.AG.org</u>

Read: Romans 10:9

What does it mean to be saved? (Allow time for discussion.)

Would you describe it as something we earn (like a paycheck) or something we receive like a gift?

Read: Romans 6:23 How do you receive the salvation? (a) Conditions to Salvation Salvation is received through \_\_\_\_\_ toward God and \_\_\_\_\_ toward the Lord Jesus Christ. **Read:** Luke 24:47, Romans 10:13 When we receive Jesus as Savior we are \_\_\_\_\_\_. Not in the natural sense, but we are given new birth in our inner man by the Holy Spirit. Read: John 3:3-6 God washed away our sins, giving us a new birth (\_\_\_\_\_\_) and new life through the Holy Spirit. We were made right with God ) by grace through faith in Jesus and became heirs of God along with Him. (b) The Evidences of Salvation The \_\_\_\_\_ evidence of salvation is the direct witness of the Spirit. Read: 2 Corinthians 5:17, Romans 8:16 The \_\_\_\_\_ evidence to all men is a life of righteousness and true holiness.

This week's reading plan: Read: Genesis Ch. 21-30, Proverbs Ch. 3

Read: Ephesians 4:24, Titus 2:12