

The Only Way to Salvation

John 14:6, John 3:16, Acts 4:12

*Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. **John 14:6***

*Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved." **Acts 4:12***

*There is one body and one Spirit— just as you were called to one hope when you were called— one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. **Ephesians 4:5-6***

*For I could wish that I myself were cursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, those of my own race, the people of Israel. **Romans 9:3-4***

Early Christians were martyred for their faith, not because they believed Jesus was God, but because they believed that Jesus was the ONLY God.

Three Basic Reminders about Christianity

1. The Bible is the source of _____ for the Christian.

*"Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth. **John 17:17***

2. Truth _____ everything that contradicts it.

3. A Christian is to share the truth in _____.

*For Christ's love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again. **2 Corinthians 5:14-15***

*"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. **John 3:16***

*For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. **John 3:17***

Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because he has not believed in the name of God's one and only Son.
John 3:18

Three Principles about Salvation

1. There is one God who is Creator and _____.

For God so loved the world **John 3:16**

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. **Genesis 1:1**

Have we not all one Father? Did not one God create us? **Malachi 2:10**

The fool says in his heart, "There is no God." **Psalms 14:1**

The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands.
Psalms 19:1

For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men are without excuse. **Romans 1:20**

There is no god besides me. I put to death and I bring to life, I have wounded and I will heal, and no one can deliver out of my hand. **Deuteronomy 32:39**

when I sharpen my flashing sword and my hand grasps it in judgment, I will take vengeance on my adversaries and repay those who hate me. **Deuteronomy 32:41**

"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding. **Proverbs 9:10**

We know that an idol is nothing at all in the world and that there is no God but one.
1 Corinthians 8:4

yet for us there is but one God, the Father, from whom all things came and for whom we live; and there is but one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom all things came and through whom we live. **1 Corinthians 8:6**

2. God has one Son who is the Savior and _____ Jesus.

Three Principles about Salvation

God [the creator and judge] so loved the world that He gave His one and only son
John 3:16

Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. John 14:9
I and the Father are one.” John 10:30

For this reason the Jews tried all the harder to kill him; not only was he breaking the Sabbath, but he was even calling God his own Father, making himself equal with God.
John 5:18

Do not believe me unless I do what my Father does. But if I do it, even though you do not believe me, believe the miracles, that you may know and understand that the Father is in me, and I in the Father.” John 10:38-39

“I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again. This command I received from my Father.”
John 10:11, 18

But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed. We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. Isaiah 53:5-6

The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life—only to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again. This command I received from my Father.”
John 10:17-18

Jesus answered them, “Destroy this temple, and I will raise it again in three days.” The Jews replied, “It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and you are going to raise it in three days?” John 2:19-20

But the temple he had spoken of was his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples recalled what he had said. Then they believed the Scripture and the words that Jesus had spoken. John 2:21-22

Now, brothers, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain. 1 Corinthians 15:1-2

*For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Peter, and then to the Twelve. After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. **1 Corinthians 15:3-6***

*We did not follow cleverly invented stories when we told you about the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. **2 Peter 1:16***

*Thomas said to him, “My Lord and my God!”
Then Jesus told him, “Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.” **John 20:28-29***

*Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. **Matthew 28:18***

*Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death—even death on a cross! Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. **Philippians 2:6-11***

3. The only way to salvation is to _____ and obey Jesus.

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*For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast. **Ephesians 2:8-9***

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