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# <u>IT IS NOT A MATTER OF NUMBERS</u>

So much of what is done nowadays is done AFTER considering how many are doing the same thing, or at least approve it. The current way of thinking is to take comfort in the idea that "everybody is doing it", or to find and follow the majority position. We can be thankful that God is not influenced by numbers. His expectations of mankind are based on real righteousness, and reflect truth even if nobody agrees with Him. In fact, His realistic assessment is that "..strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, that leadeth unto life, and FEW there be that find it." (Mt 7:13,14) Our standing with God is not put to a vote, nor based on whether we are with the many or the few. God doesn't "grade on a curve" (where a certain percent is given a certain grade, with the great majority assigned a mediocre but passing grade.) His "rating system" comes from His impartial and unyielding commitment to truth, and is designed to reward only those who accept and apply the demanding standard of conformity to it.

While being in the "minority" position does not always mean we are right (there are many minority positions that are also wrong), it is a pretty sure thing that seeking the majority position will find us on the wrong side with God. As Paul said it, "If I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ". Gal 1:10. Being a disciple means that we follow NO man, no HUMAN WAY OF THINKING, even if "everybody is doing it"! In the intensely personal relationship that God seeks with each of us, every individual must purge his mind and life of all contaminating input, search diligently for whatever it is that God wants of him, and make that priority one.

In this, we are not in the dark, since God has shown us the way in His revelation to us. With many of us, it is not so much a lack of information, but a lack of the will to properly consider the information we have been given.

Coming down on the side of the "many" may make us feel good, but it will have no beneficial effect in drawing us closer to God. DO NOT BE AFRAID TO BE LONELY IN YOUR STAND FOR TRUTH! And for sure, do not let where the "many" stand determine where YOU stand. (acb)

# "WALKING THE WALK"

God has really made it very simple..(and clear)

There is no reward for those who talk the talk but don't walk the walk.

The hyperbole about "love" and "trust" comes down to earth in that one fact! In "progressive/liberal/change agent" circles, much ado is made of "sincere love", "complete trust", etc., and — while they pay lip service to the obvious, that REAL commitment will result in REAL obedience, they have virtually separated the intentions from the practice — so far as being "instrumental" in our salvation.

God makes it simple – if you don't "work", there is no promise!

This in no way diminishes the need to "purpose", to "love", to "trust" – it is just that He measures your "trust" by reality – the way you "trust", is to "trust" that His commandments must be obeyed – that is what He says.

When you do that HE "TRUSTS" YOU! He will only accept those in Heaven that He can "trust", and He learns that about us just like we learn that about Him. We "trust" Him because His works are consistent with His promises. He trusts us the same way – nothing in scripture leads us to think otherwise..if we don't "walk the walk", whatever we profess is just so much wind.

And, this in no way suggests that we "earn" or deserve salvation based upon the imperfect way in which we obey Him. The same God who says you can't earn it is clear in saying you cannot be saved without obedience. 2 Th 1:7-9

He trusted Abraham based on what Abraham showed Him - Gen 18:17; 22;

He trusted Job based on his life - Job 1 and 2

He trusted Moses from what He had seen in the life of Moses, and punished him when he failed – Exodus 3 and 4; Num 20.

He makes it clear that there is no future for those who "say" and "do not". Matt 7:24-28

If your life doesn't match your intentions, what in the Bible offers anything?

Neither alternative of the change agents ("faith without works" nor the "imputed righteousness of Christ") accommodates the truth, and no matter how many times one denies it, that is the simple truth. (acb)

# **Baptism of The Holy Spirit**

It is among the most widely debated topics in the New Testament. And unfortunately, it is atop the list of most misunderstood topics as well. The baptism of the Holy Spirit receives varied interpretations from the religious world. Some



say it is essential for salvation. Others argue, while not necessary for salvation, baptism of the Holy Spirit transforms the believer from a standard issue Christian to an elevated rank. The believer receives spiritual gifts (e.g. speaking in tongues, gift of prophecy) to better help their testimony and service to God. Let us examine these two trains of thought and delve into what the Bible actually says about baptism of the Holy Spirit.

When speaking of salvation, the Bible is very clear that water baptism is required (1 Pet 3:21; Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38). Christ Himself was baptized in water to fulfill all righteousness (Matt 3:15). There is no other type of baptism that leads unto salvation. In fact Paul writes, there is one baptism, one faith, one Lord (Eph 4:5). This idea of "one" stresses exclusiveness. It indicates one and only one. It is this singular type of baptism that allows us to put on Christ, to access forgiveness of our sins through His blood (Gal 3:27). As far as addressing the receiving of spiritual gifts, the simplest answer is they have ceased. Although examples of spiritual gifts, such as speaking in tongues, are found in the New Testament, these gifts came to an end (1 Cor 13:8-10). We have the complete Word of God and full revelation of Christ in our Bible.

After clearing up misconceptions of what baptism of the Holy Spirit is not, let us look to the Bible to see the true purpose of it. It is very noteworthy to point out the Bible only mentions two instances of baptism of the Holy Spirit.

To begin, we must realize baptism of the Holy Spirit was not a commandment. Instead, it was a promise—a very specific promise. Jesus, in speaking to His apostles, before His ascension to heaven, tells them to wait in Jerusalem for the Promise of the Father. "John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now. You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth (Acts 1:4-8)." These verses show baptism of the Holy Spirit was a promise to the apostles from the Father and was imparted by Christ (John 1:33).

The first instance of the baptism of the Holy Spirit fell upon the Day of Pentecost. There were Jews gathered in Jerusalem from every nation. This is important to note because, being from different parts of the world, the Jews would each have their own native language or tongue. As the **apostles** assembled, the Holy Spirit filled them, and they

began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. Each person was able to hear what was being said in their native tongue. This ease of communication allowed Peter to preach Christ to the Jews. And those, roughly 3,000, that were cut to the heart and gladly obeyed the gospel were baptized and added to the Church that day (Acts 2). The only other instance of the baptism of the Holy Spirit, involves a centurion named Cornelius. He was a devout, God-fearing man, who received a vision of an angel from God instructing him to send to Joppa for Peter. Upon arriving at the house of Cornelius, Peter saw a number of Gentiles who had gathered there as well. Peter began preaching Christ to the entire household, and the Holy Spirit fell upon the Gentiles allowing them to speak and understand in their own native tongue the things being said (Acts 10).

These two instances of the baptism of the Holy Spirit had specific application. At first, the Jews were able to hear and understand the gospel of the Christ they had condemned to death. Then, the Gentiles were given the ability to hear the gospel of Christ and the opportunity to believe. Salvation was made possible for all those who would believe and obey. Peter says, "In truth I perceive that God shows no partiality (Acts 10:34)." It is important to point out that in both cases, receiving the baptism of the Holy Spirit did not lead to salvation. Peter told the Jews, "Repent and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38)." Also, Peter commanded the Gentiles at the house of Cornelius to be baptized in the name of the Lord (Acts 10:48). This again showing water baptism is the means necessary for salvation.

Baptism of the Holy Spirit was not a command. It was a promise. With only two accounts of it recorded in the New Testament, it is evident that it is not necessary for salvation; otherwise, only a few thousand souls would ever have been saved. Unfortunately, the debate will continue on with the significance of the baptism of the Holy Spirit. However, if we look to the Bible for the answers, rather than relying on what we have been told or what we feel, the answer is right in front of our face. (Bryan Click 2015)

### Even As You Walk -- So Will Walk Your Child

This is a solemn fact that we must face! We have a far greater influence on our children than we sometimes like to admit. My children may be influenced to love God and His way in the same way I do. How much is that?

Will our children pray only as much as we do? If so, will we be able to point to them and say, "My boys and girls believe in prayer for I see them praying much."

Will our children love the kingdom and the sacred worship of God almighty even as we do? This being the case, how much will it be? Will they say, "Oh, I don't think I have to worship this evening. There is a good TV program on." Or, "I'm too tired to worship God this Wednesday night." Are they walking as you walk?

Will your children be known as those who spend much time in personal teaching? Will they live godly lives? Even as you walk...so will walk your child! (Forrest D. Moyer)



## The Authority of God Over God's World

I have but this to say, the Bible is the best gift God has given to man. All the good the Savior gave to the world was communicated through this book. But for it we could not know right from wrong. All things most desirable for man's welfare, here and hereafter, are to be found portrayed in it. —Abraham Lincoln1

The Supreme Court of the United States is its highest judicial body. It consists of the Chief Justice and eight Associate Justices, who are nominated by the President and confirmed by a majority vote of the Senate. It meets in Washington, D.C. in the Supreme Court Building.2 The Supreme Court has authority over all the nation.

Even the President is subject to its decisions.

God's Supreme Court today is the New Testament. What the 'Chief Justice' (Holy Spirit) and eight judges (writers) wrote in that book are the laws and precedents for the human family (2 Timothy 3:16–17; 2 Peter 1:3, 20–21). Its two-hundred sixty chapters comprise the totality of God's revealed will for the Christian (John 16:13).

It is absolute and final and will stand till the Day of Judgment. Jesus said, "He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, hath one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day" (John 12:48).

### Does the Bible have authority over all men, or only those who believe it?

The average person looks at religion like a university, sports team, club, or military service. If a man enlists in the army, then he has boot camp and four years of "yes, sir/no, sir." If she enrolls in a university, then there are fees, papers, tests, and classes to attend. If he joins a team or club, then he will need to attend practices/meetings, obey the coach/leader, abide by rules/bylaws, and show up for games/events. But if a person chooses not to sign up, enroll, or join, then he or she has no obligations, responsibilities, or consequences.

### Is church membership like that?

Religion is different. One cannot opt out of Christianity without eventual consequences. God exists whether or not man believes in Him (Romans 1:22-23, 28; Psalm 14:1). Denying Scripture does not change the Bible's validity or free one from living by God's standards. Jesus will not ignore us just because we ignore Him. Rejecting the Spirit's

Word does not alter the reality of a coming judgment. Felix was an unbeliever, but Paul reasoned with him about judgment to come (Acts 24:25).

### **Upon what basis can God expect all mankind to serve Him?**

God owns man's patent. God has authority over the world because He made it (Acts 17:24). He has the right to govern man because He "created man in his own image" (Genesis 1:27). "The head of every man is Christ . . . and the head of Christ is God" (1 Corinthians 11:3). "Hath not the potter power over the clay?" (Romans 9:21). The potter can display the pot he made in his house, sell it, give it as a gift, or break it. It is his. God made vessels from dust and breathed life into them (Genesis 2:7; 3:19). He designed the procreative process that produced everyone now living. He thus owns our copyright (Romans 9:11–24). God desires more than an authoritarian relationship, though; He wants a family relationship built on love (cf. Matthew 22:36–40). His love for us prompts Him to want the best for us (1 John 4:8); so He wants us to serve Him for our benefit, not His.

Man owes his Landlord. If one lives in America, then he cannot opt out of obeying American laws and paying American taxes. Since the "earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof" (Psalm 24:1), we are living on God's land, breathing God's air, drinking from God's springs, and eating from God's bounty. Every good thing in our lives comes from that source (James 1:17; Matthew 5:45; Acts 14:17). Truly, "In him we live, and move, and have our being (Acts 17:28). As His tenants, we are subject to His laws. "O earth, earth, earth, hear the word of the Lord" (Jeremiah 22:29).

Jesus was given authority over all earth's inhabitants. When Christ ascended after conquering sin, death, Satan, and hell, God crowned Him King of earth. The psalmist pre-pictured this event as God putting His King upon the holy hill of Zion (Psalm 2:6; Acts 13:33). It was customary for kings to give to favored ones whatever they asked (cf. 1 Samuel 27:6; Esther 5:6; Matthew 14:7). God promised His Son "the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession" (Psalm 2:6–8). After the resurrection, Jesus affirmed that He had been given all authority in heaven and on earth (Matthew 28:18). The universality of this supremacy means that all are subject to Him, whether they submit or not (Hebrews 2:8). Even Pharaoh—who once asked, "Who is the Lord, that I should obey his voice?" (Exodus 5:2)—learned that he was subject to God (Exodus 7–11).

Man owes a debt he can never pay. Jesus pictured sins as debts (Matthew 6:12). All men sin (Romans 3:23), so all have a running tally that God keeps of fines associated with our spiritual misdemeanors. Jesus pictured a lifetime of sins as a "ten thousand talent" debt (Matthew 18:23–35). Since ten thousand was the largest Roman number and a talent their largest denomination of money, this pictured the maximum number—

an unpayable debt. To deny the reality of sin does not cancel one's debt any more than denying a college loan causes a bank to drop it from its records. If sins go unpaid, their wages will be due at the end. The good news is that Jesus' sacrifice at Calvary can cover each person's debt (Romans 3:23–26). He offers forgiveness of debt ("remission" of sins) to penitent believers who are baptized (Acts 2:38).

Man has an unavoidable appointment with Judgment Day. Tennyson referred to "that one far-off divine event to which the whole creation moves." Jesus gave this preview: "When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory; and before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats: and he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left" (Matthew 25:31–33).

On that day, all the world will be judged (Acts 17:30–31); each individual will stand before the judgment seat (2 Corinthians 5:10). Although the prevailing philosophy is, "I'll live my life as I please," man can only avoid answering to God for so long. "It is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment" (Hebrews 9:27). It is inescapable: "As I live, saith the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God" (Romans 14:11; cf. Isaiah 45:23).

Daniel Webster, the great New England statesman, served our nation with distinguished service the first half of the nineteenth century. Possibly the greatest orator America ever produced, he was described as "one who walked like a man, but spoke as a god." He was once asked what he considered the most important thought that had ever occupied his mind. He replied, "My gravest thought has been that I shall someday stand before God in judgment and give an account of how I have lived."4

Yes, your case is now on the docket of God's final court. Read His book; prepare well. He wants to judge in your favor. *Author Unknown* 

### **Endnotes:**

1 Abraham Lincoln's Speeches, p. 346 2 <a href="http://www.constitutionfacts.com/us-supreme-court/">http://www.constitutionfacts.com/us-supreme-court/</a>. 3 Alfred Lord Tennyson: A Memoir By His Son, Baron Hallam Tennyson. The Macmillan Company, 1897. Page 327. 4 Edsel Burleson, "All Paths Led to the Judgment," West End News, p. 1.

When Jesus was preparing to leave His disciples, He knew they would experience much grief and instructed them, "Let not your hearts be troubled" (John 14:1-3). Our spiritual condition rests on the well-being of our hearts.

# **God Judges!**

2 Peter 2:4 "For if God did not spare angels when they sinned, but cast them into hell and committed them to pits of darkness, reserved for judgment"

The second chapter of second Peter is a page of the Bible that many do not like to think about. God judges. The warnings of this page are directed toward those in Peter's days that left the truth and were disturbing the faith of other Christians. The words are serious. The picture of judgment is severe. Peter walks through history, first with angels, then Noah, then Lot and ties it all in with the present. God doesn't take lightly those who misrepresent Him, distort things, or exploit others with false words and ideas.

There are three historical accounts listed: angels, Noah and Lot. We know about the last two. They are found in Genesis. They are in chronological order. It's the first one that brings questions to our minds. When did the angels sin? What was the occasion? Why did they sin? If these were all to be in a historical order, then it happened before Noah and the flood. Passages in Nehemiah and Psalms lead us to understand that God created angels when He created the world. Angels haven't always been. Nor are angels a form of pre-humans that are later sent to earth. Nor are angels departed souls that turn into angels. Our images of cute, chubby babies that are angelic do not fit the picture the Bible gives us. Angels are definitely in. Go to a gift store and you'll find all kinds of angel figurines. Most are those fat babies or long haired women, not what you find in the Bible. There are two angels we know by name in the Bible, they both happen to be male names. Many conclude that this is where Satan came from. He was an angel that went bad. There is a reference to Lucifer in Isaiah 14 that many think point to an angel being kicked out of Heaven. The arrogant words and rebellion led him to be cast down. There are two problems with this. First, Isaiah 14 is telling us about the king of Babylon, not the origin of Satan. Second, if Satan was an angel who sinned, why was he not cast into the dark pit with the others? God did not spare angels when they sinned. That statement holds a lot of thought for us.

First, it tells us that God does not play favorites nor has a double standard. Angels dwell with God. We read of angels being sent from Heaven. There is that special expression, "the Lord's angel," which may be a special angel or one of unique position. No one seems closer to the presence of God than angels. When they disobeyed, they were condemned. They will be judged.

This ought to tell us that God doesn't let us get away with wrong things because we are so cute or we are His children. If anything, Peter's warnings remind us that we too must be obedient to God. Obedience is a word that has dropped off the chart when it comes to religious messages these days. You'll never hear the popular national preachers talking about obedience. Jesus did. He did often. Obedience was a sign of our love to God. Today, the message is, "Just love." The Beatles had it with "All you need is love. Love is all you need." That works in a pop song. It doesn't fly with God. Love is not an emotion, it's a choice. You show love by doing what God said. Even angels were sent away when they disobeyed. If the angels couldn't get away with wrong, you know that we can't either.

Second, God did not have a saving plan for angels. Jesus didn't die for angels. He died for mankind. Unlike the angels, God doesn't send us away and put us in pits of darkness when we do wrong. Had He done that, most of us would have been in those dark pits since we were teenagers. We did wrong early in life. It didn't take much but we sure were good at it. Most of us have followed that prodigal to the far country. Most of us know the shame, guilt, pain and trouble that has come from our disobedience. Caught by parents, caught by teachers, caught by the police-we know that we very well could have been in those dark pits where the disobedient angels are. Instead, God redeemed us. God gave us a second chance. God did not give up on us. God sent Jesus to save us, rescue us and give us a new life. God has done more for us than He did for the angels.

Third, these words are intended to serve notice to those who are going the wrong way. It's not enough that they don't care about their own souls, but they were twisting things and getting some of God's people to go along with them. These words, these judgments, were a warning siren to startle, wake up and get people to realize what was going on. Some folks are never content with things. They always have to change. They even want to change God. They mess around with God's word. They twist things, bend things and position God to say things that He never did. This happened then and it continues to happen today. People can read a passage and say, "it doesn't mean that." They stuff their ideas, their agendas, their theology into the discussion and before long, the outcome is something very different from what the Bible teaches. Churches take on cultural and social reform rather than preaching the saving message of Christ. Sin is tolerated. Folks are accepted without commitment and without changing. The church doesn't look like the holy bride of Christ. Instead of changing the people, the message is changed. The wellness and happiness of man replaces the dignity and respect of God. Good times replace the Gospel message. Folks dance with the wolves rather than watching out and avoiding the wolves. Preachers smile. The pews are packed. The money flows in. Church buildings are replaced with stadiums. All is well. However, no one notices that God is no longer smiling. This word, these warnings are pitched aside. Error has filled the hearts and folks are believing a lie rather than the truth. These very words of Peter are not read. They are not taught. They are not understood. The pits of darkness do not make the sermon series. It doesn't fit well with a happy church that has donuts in one hand and is rock climbing with the other. No time for judgment. No time for warnings. It's a happy message for a fun people in the neighborhood. That sells. And the crowds are deceived. They are having such a good time how could God not be pleased.

Peter's warnings remind us. God did not spare angels. God did not spare Noah's world. God did not spare Sodom. It's time to tighten things us and get back to what God wants. It's time to quit playing and start becoming the people of God. It's time to put down the food and pick up the Bible. It's time to read every page of that Bible and think about what is being said. It's time to study. It's time to know things. It's time to let God set the course. Even the angels were judged. (Roger Shouse)

# WITHOUT HOPE

### Matt Adams

Every life you meet today is going through some trial. Everyone you see has issues that they must confront on a daily basis, some great and some small; yet even the smallest of issues in our lives can seem insurmountable and make us feel like we have the weight of the world on our shoulders. Everyone has the opportunity to be freed from that weight, but not everyone takes advantage of that opportunity (Matt.11:28-30).

Think about your own struggles; it can be seriously difficult some days to just make it through, can't it? However, if you're a Christian, think of the joy and peace you have because you can take it all to the Lord in prayer with the confidence He will hear you (Jms.5:16; Phil.4:4-7). Recognize how you're even able to make it through each day, and who gives you the strength to face and overcome the issues of life. Think of the hope you have, that hope of eternal life, if you will but persevere faithfully to the end (Rev.2:10; Phil.3:12-14). Hold on to that and recognize how blessed you are if you're truly being faithful to God. Let that lift your spirits and help you to press on serving Him the rest of your days, let come what may. Through our Lord, we can not only face the issues of life; no, more than that, we can conquer them (Rom.8:37-39)! What a tremendous blessing!

Now, think for a moment what it would be like to have none of this. Think of what it would be like to go through life without hope, without the assurance of heaven, without the peace that comes from praying to our Lord and knowing He will hear and answer. Think deeply of the impact of being separated eternally from God, instead spending eternity in a devil's hell "where the worm dies not and the fire is not quenched" (Mk.9:42-50; Rev.21:6-8). Do we have that overwhelming flood of despair and trembling within when we consider this reality, this promise from God to the disobedient? Do we tremble at the thought of how that used to be, and still could be, us (1 Cor.6:9-11; 1Cor.10:12; Rom.6:1-11)? Good. We need to tremble at this thought.

Now, apply that to every soul you meet today who is walking around without the Lord. Think of every person who has either not heard or not obeyed the word of God; tremble for their souls. That's a lot of lost souls, my friends. So, so many dying and dead in their sins. What effect does this knowledge have on you and me? Do you tremble, does your heart break for them? Yet, what do we do? Do we walk around selfishly keeping that hope and peace within, refusing to extend that blessing to others, giving ourselves the false hope that we're saved when in reality we're condemned for not speaking the truth in love to them? Do we claim love for God, but then refuse to give others what they need the most - the saving message of Jesus Christ? Do we call ourselves Christians, but yet refuse to hold ourselves and others accountable to the standard which He set? Consider this:

"When I say to the wicked, 'O wicked man, you shall surely die!' and you do not speak to warn the wicked from his way, that wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood I will require at your hand. Nevertheless if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, he shall die in his iniquity; but you have delivered your soul." Ezekiel 33:8-9 NKJV

And this: "And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Matthew 28:18-20 NKJV

It is evident from these verses that we have a lot of work to do, friends. Knowing God's word as we do, do we honestly think God will let us slide if we refuse to take the saving message of the gospel to the lost? We have a responsibility to teach the truth, the hearers have a responsibility to obey it. It is incumbent upon all of us that we carry the gospel to the lost and that we follow it diligently ourselves; for if we do not, we shall surely be lost eternally. Give others hope, give them the opportunity to have salvation, give them the words of life, show no partiality, demonstrate your love to God and all of His creation by spreading the gospel. Save your own soul, and strive to save the souls of others. Knowing what we know, knowing what our Savior did for us all, how can we not speak about Him (Acts 4:19-20)? The world will hate us, the world will speak ill of us, but our Lord will be pleased if we will but humbly obey Him. Serve God faithfully and spread the message of Jesus Christ to all until this life is over, then go home to your reward. May the following hymn convict us and move us to action:

You Never Mentioned Him To Me
When in the better land before the bar we stand,
How deeply grieved our souls will be;
If any lost one there should cry in deep despair,
"You never mentioned Him to me."
O let us spread the word where e'er it may be heard,
Help groping souls the light to see,
That yonder none may say, "You showed me not the way.
You never mentioned Him to me."
A few sweet words may guide a lost one to His side,
Or turn sad eyes on Calvary;
So work as days go by, that yonder none may cry,
"You never mentioned Him to me."
CHORUS:
"You never mentioned Him to me,

"You never mentioned Him to me, You helped me not the light to see; You met me day by day and knew I was astray, Yet never mentioned Him to me."

# God's Plan of Salvation for all Mankind

Hear the Gospel Rom. 10:17

Believe Rom. 10:10; Gal. 3:26; Heb. 11:6

Repent of Sins Acts 2:38; 17:30

Confess Jesus as the Son of God Acts 8:27-39; Rom. 10:10

**Live Faithfully** If you fulfill these commandments, you will be saved, and the Lord will add you to His Be Baptized for Remission of Sins Mark 16:16; Acts 2:48; Rom. 6:4-6; Gal. 3:27; I Pet. 3:21

Church (Acts 2:47). You'll be a Christian and are expected to serve God faithfully until death (Rev.

2:10)

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