

## C2:7 Personal Growth Plan Part 1 – Salvation

Colossians 1:13, 'For He rescued us from the domain of darkness, and **transferred** us to the kingdom of His beloved Son.'

**KNOW** it! – What is genuine Salvation?

• Bible word '**Saved**' = rescued **from** something, then transferred **to** something better Col. 1:13

▶ Rescued **from**:

- **Penalty** of Sin John 3:16; Romans 6:23
- **Power** of Sin Romans 6:6, 16-18
- **Presence** of Sin 1 John 3:2

▶ Transferred **to**:

- God **Justifies** you = 'just as if I' never had sinned  
Romans 5:1-2; Ephesians 1:11-13
- God **Sanctifies** you = transform to be more like Jesus  
Romans 6; 2 Cor. 5:21
- God **Glorifies** you = forever perfection state  
Philippians 3:20-21

• Once launched salvation is an **irreversible** process

**LIVE** it! – **Repentance, Gratitude, Worship, Transformation,** and **Witnessing** are the elements of authentic salvation

**WRITE** it! – Your **salvation** story; your **transformation** story

**SHARE** it! – **say** it, **post** it, **send** it!

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## Life Group Discussion Questions – June 28, 2020

**Colossians 1:13-14** "For He rescued us from the domain of darkness, and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins."

### QUICK REVIEW

1. In revisiting Pastor Greg's sermon on Philippians 4:11, he stated that the Apostle Paul had "learned to be content whatever the circumstances." What specifically had he learned? How can we truly be content in the same way?
2. What happens when we feel pressured to give or to serve? What makes us reluctant to do so? Read 2 Corinthians 9:8. What promise does God give to believers who give generously? How should we be managing the resources that He has given us?

### MY STORY

1. Have you ever experienced a falling-out with a person that you love but were ultimately reconciled with them? How long did the disruption last? What events moved the relationship towards restoration? How has your relationship changed with them as a result?
2. What is the definition of rescue? What is the role of "danger" in a situation requiring rescue? What is the definition of restoration? Compare and contrast rescue and restoration?
3. Describe the circumstances that characterized your life before your salvation as they relate to what or who God used to eventually bring you to salvation in Christ. What realization did you come to that finally motivated you to receive Christ?

### GOING DEEP

1. Read Romans 3:21-26 and 2 Corinthians 5:20-21. Justification is God's declaring those who receive Christ to be righteous, based on Christ's righteousness being imputed to the accounts of those who receive Christ. How does Christ's righteousness become our righteousness? At what specific point are we declared righteous by God?
2. Read Romans 5:18-19. Discuss how this passage gives the believer the assurance of salvation. Whether we sense it or not, what begins to happen in us at the moment of our salvation?
3. As a group, identify the essential elements of an effective salvation story. Conversely, what parts of a salvation story should be minimized or omitted? Write out your salvation story, trying to keep it under 25 words. Memorize and share it with your Life Group the next time you meet.

### PUTTING IT TOGETHER:

1. What do you think are some of the challenges to living out each point?
2. Which of the above teaching points are most important for you to remember?



## WRITE IT

Write-out your personal salvation story.

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## SHARE IT

Practice sharing your personal salvation story with others.

“...having been firmly rooted and now being built up in Him and established in your faith, just as you were instructed, and overflowing with gratitude.”

— Colossians 2:7 NASB



Exchanging  
SALVATION



Nourishing  
GOD'S WORD



Responding  
OBEDIENCE



Understanding  
PRAYER



Uniting  
RELATIONSHIP



Becoming  
CHRISTLIKENESS

# EXCHANGING



GROWTH  
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Salvation



## KNOW IT

**Salvation:** A new life by deliverance from sin and its consequences brought about by faith in Jesus Christ

### John 3:16

For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.

### Acts 4:12

And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved.”

### Romans 10:9

that if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved;

### 2 Corinthians 5:17

Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come.

### Ephesians 2:8-9

For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as a result of works, so that no one may boast.

### Titus 3:5

He saved us, not on the basis of deeds which we have done in righteousness, but according to His mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit,

## LIVE IT

What evidences of my salvation experience are noticed by others?

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What are the outcomes of living-out my salvation well (+)?

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What are the outcomes of not living-out my salvation well (-)?

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