

## The Plan of Salvation

### Introduction:

1. We are presently engaged in a study of 13 great themes that are addressed throughout the Bible.
2. The 7 Bible themes we have covered include:
  - a. "God is our Creator"
  - b. "the deity [divinity] of Christ"
  - c. "the ministry of the Holy Spirit"
  - d. "the inspiration of the Scriptures"
  - e. "the fall of man"
  - f. "the grace of God"
  - g. "obeying God."
3. "The plan of salvation" is the eighth great Bible theme we are studying in this lesson.
4. Let us first consider several . . .

### Discussion:

#### I. BASIC PRINCIPLES THAT RELATE TO SALVATION

- A. The Bible explains why salvation from sin is so important.
  1. The Bible identifies sin as the transgression of God's law (1 John 3:4).
  2. The Bible identifies who is guilty of sin (Romans 3:23).
  3. The Bible reveals the effects of sin (Isaiah 59:1-2; Romans 6:23a).
- B. The "Gospel" [Good News] is that Jesus died for our sins, was buried, and was resurrected so we may be saved (1 Corinthians 15:1-4).
- C. The salvation that Christ provides is "*great*" (Hebrews 2:3).
- D. According to Hebrews 5:8-9, Christ saves those who obey Him.

#### II. THE LORD'S REQUIREMENTS FOR SALVATION

- A. To be saved, a person must believe that Jesus is God's Son.
  1. John 3:16-17
  2. John 8:24
- B. To be saved, a person must repent.
  1. Luke 13:3, 5
  2. Acts 3:19
- C. To be saved, a person must confess that Jesus is God's Son (Romans 10:9-10).
- D. To be saved, a person must be baptized.
  1. Matthew 28:18-20
  2. Mark 16:15-16
  3. Acts 2:37-38; 22:16
  4. Romans 6:3-4
  5. 1 Corinthians 12:13
  6. Galatians 3:26-29
  7. Ephesians 4:5
  8. Colossians 2:12
  9. 1 Peter 3:21

#### III. THE LORD ADDS THOSE WHO ARE SAVED TO HIS CHURCH (Acts 2:47)

### Conclusion:

1. The Lord will punish those who do not obey the Gospel (2 Thessalonians 1:7-9).
2. Therefore, we must not neglect the great salvation that Jesus provides (Hebrews 2:3).