

10. **God's Work of Salvation – Notice How God Does Every Part:**

- a. God works through Baptism to clothe us with the sinless life of Christ! “For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.” (NAS Galatians 3:27)
- b. God works through His Word:
  - ii. To show us our sin! (Romans 3:20)
  - iii. To make us sorry for our sins! (2 Corinthians 7:10)
  - iv. To show us our inability to save ourselves! (Matthew 5:48)
  - v. To show us Jesus’ saving work! (1 Peter 3:18)
  - vi. To give us the gift of faith (Ephesians 2:8) by which we receive (John 1:12-13) forgiveness, spiritual life, eternal salvation, and more!

11. **What does the Bible say about faith?**

Faith Connects People to God’s Salvation!

- a. “...whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.” (NAS John 3:16)
- b. “I tell you the truth, he who \_\_\_\_\_ has everlasting life.” (NIV John 6:47)
- c. “This righteousness from God comes through \_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus Christ to all who \_\_\_\_\_.” (NIV Romans 3:22)
- d. “...the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.” (NAS Romans 6:23)
- e. “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?” And they said, “Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you shall be saved, you and your household.” (NAS Acts 16:30-31)

12. **What are the three essential ingredients of faith (KAT)?**

- a. Knnowledge – God enables us to *know the truth!*
- b. Agreement – God enables us to *agree with the truth!*
- c. Trust – God enables us to *trust in Jesus as our Savior!*
  - ii. Jesus is the object of our faith, *the One in whom we trust!*
  - iii. We trust in Jesus for eternal life, *for our entrance into heaven!*

13. **A Way to Remember What it Means to Be Justified – What We Are Through Faith in Jesus:**

Through my faith in Jesus for eternal life God sees me: “Just [as] if I’d [\_\_\_\_\_].”

14. **Good Works – They result from our faith:** “...and He died for all, that they who live should no longer live for themselves, but for Him who died and rose again on their behalf.” (NAS 2 Corinthians 5:15)

**Answers:** 1-seem, security; 2-sinned, short, separated; 3-perfection, continually, all; 4-law, knew; 11-believes, faith, believe; 13-never sinned.

**A Standing Offer**

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**Introduction**

1. **Why should all people study the topic of salvation?** Because many *may be deceived* about their own relationship with God!

a. Things are not always as they \_\_\_\_\_. “There is a way *which seems* right to a man, but its end is the way of death.” (NAS Proverbs 14:12)

b. Many people live with a *false* sense of \_\_\_\_\_. Jesus said: “Enter by the narrow gate; for the gate is wide, and the way is broad that leads to destruction, and many are those who enter by it. For the gate is small, and the way is narrow that leads to life, and few are those who find it.” (NAS Matthew 7:13-14)

2. **Why do all people need to be saved?**

Because all have sinned and separated themselves from God!

- a. "...for all have \_\_\_\_\_ and fall \_\_\_\_\_ of the glory of God."  
(NIV Romans 3:23)
- b. "But your iniquities [sins] have \_\_\_\_\_ you from your God ..."  
(NIV Isaiah 59:2)
- c. "For the wages of sin is death ..."  
(NIV Romans 6:23)

3. **Why are all people unable to save themselves?**

Because God requires all people to be *sinless* to enter into heaven!

- a. No one (*no matter who he is, how hard he tries, or what he does*) can achieve God's requirement of absolute \_\_\_\_\_ for entrance into heaven. Jesus said: "Therefore you are to be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect." (NAS Matthew 5:48)
- b. "Indeed, there is not a righteous man on earth who \_\_\_\_\_ does good and who never sins."  
(NAS Ecclesiastes 7:20)
- c. "For whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles at just one point is guilty of breaking \_\_\_\_\_ of it." (NIV James 2:10)

4. **What is the primary purpose of the law in the Bible?**

It shows us our sin!

- a. "Therefore no one will be declared righteous in his sight by observing the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of sin." (NIV Romans 3:20)
- b. "You have been severed from Christ, you who are seeking to be justified by \_\_\_\_\_; you have fallen from grace."  
(NAS Galatians 5:4)

- c. Jesus said: "Many will say to Me on that day, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in Your name, and in Your name cast out demons, and in Your name perform many miracles?' And then I will declare to them, 'I never \_\_\_\_\_ you; depart from me, you who practice lawlessness.'" (NAS Matthew 7:22-23)

5. **Why is Jesus the only way of salvation?**

Because He alone has *lived* without sin, *paid* the eternal penalty for all sins, and *risen* victorious!

- a. Jesus lived a sinless life – Jesus "was tempted in every way, just as we are – yet was without sin." (NAS Hebrews 4:15)
- b. Jesus received all sin – "... the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. ...it was the LORD's will to crush him."  
(NIV Isaiah 53:6, 10)
- c. Jesus received all punishment – "He Himself [Jesus] is the propitiation for our sins; and not for ours only, but also for *those of the whole world*."  
(NAS 1 John 2:2)
- d. Jesus died to seal His victory – "Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures." (NIV 1 Corinthians 15:3)
- e. Jesus rose to prove His victory – "He is not here; he has risen, just as he said."  
(NIV Matthew 28:6)

6. **Does the Bible identify Jesus to be the one and only Savior?** Yes!

- a. Jesus said: "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."  
(NIV John 14:6)
- b. "Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved."  
(NIV Acts 4:12)

7. **Why is repentance important?** God enables us to repent unto salvation!

- a. "... unless you repent, you will all likewise perish." (NAS Luke 13:3)
- b. "Repent therefore and return, that your sins may be wiped away, in order that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord."  
(NAS Acts 3:19)
- c. "Godly sorrow brings repentance that leads to salvation ..."  
(2 Corinthians 7:10)

8. **Though Jesus is the Savior, why are all people dependant on God to connect them to Jesus?** Because:

- a. All are spiritually dead until God takes action to make them alive in Christ – "And you were dead in your trespasses and sins."  
(NAS Ephesians 2:1)
- b. Faith is a gift from God – "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, that no one should boast."  
(NAS Ephesians 2:8-9)
- c. God must draw people unto Himself – "No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. ...has enabled him."  
(NIV John 6:44, 65)

9. **How does God draw all people unto Himself?** By the Spirit through the Word!

- a. God "chose to give us [spiritual] birth through the word of truth ..."  
(NIV James 1:18)
- b. "...you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God."  
(ESV 1 Peter 1:23)