

## COMPREHENDING THE THREE TENSES OF SALVATION

- 2 Timothy 2:15

### A. The DEFINITION of 'SALVATION'.

1. The Biblical words translated “saved”, “save”, “salvation”, etc. carries the idea of \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The concept of salvation is found over \_\_\_\_\_ times in the Bible.
3. The Scriptures repeatedly teach that salvation is \_\_\_\_\_ some object or state \_\_\_\_\_ some object or state.
  - What determines the actual or nuance of meaning in each case or passage?

### B. Two DISTINCT FORMS of 'SALVATION'.

1. In the Old Testament, the primary usage of salvation is predominately a \_\_\_\_\_ deliverance from \_\_\_\_\_ danger, one's \_\_\_\_\_ enemies, one's troubles, or even \_\_\_\_\_ death – on either a personal or national level.
  - What are some examples of this?
  - Are there examples of this form of salvation in the New Testament as well?
  - What are the two groupings that this kind of salvation includes?
2. In the New Testament, the predominate usage of salvation has a \_\_\_\_\_ salvation in view, especially in light of the fact that Jesus Christ came “to \_\_\_\_\_ and to \_\_\_\_\_ that which is \_\_\_\_\_.”(Luke 19:10)
  - What are some examples of 'salvation' in a general sense?
  - For the unbeliever, salvation is always in what tense?

**C. Three DEFINITE TENSES/PHASES/STAGES of SPIRITUAL ‘SALVATION’.**

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<b>TENSE:</b>	<b>PAST</b>	<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>FUTURE</b>
<b>FROM WHAT:</b>	_____ of sin (in Hell)	_____ of sin (in your life)	_____ of sin (in Heaven)
<b>DIAGRAM:</b>			
<b>SCRIPTURE:</b>	<b>Titus 3:5</b> <b>Ephesians 2:8-10</b> <b>1 Corinthians 1:21</b> <b>John 3:17</b>	<b>1 Timothy 4:16</b> <b>James 1:21</b> <b>Philippians 2:12-13</b> <b>James 5:20</b>	<b>Romans 5:9-10</b> <b>Romans 13:11</b> <b>1 Corinthians 3:15</b>
<b>THEOLOGICAL DESCRIPTION:</b>	_____	_____	_____
<b>TIME FACTOR:</b>	_____ OF <b>TIME</b> (When you trust Christ alone.)	_____ OF <b>TIME</b> (While you walk in the Spirit.)	_____ OF <b>TIME</b> (When you die or are raptured.)
<b>CONDITION(S):</b>	<b>By God's grace alone through faith alone in Christ alone. (Acts 16:31)</b>	<b>By God's grace through yielded and daily dependence on the Lord via the Holy Spirit. (Romans 6:1-14; 8:1-4)</b>	<b>By death (2 Cor. 5:10) or by Rapture (1 Thess. 4:13-18)</b>

- What happens when people fail to recognize the 3 tenses of salvation?
- Several examples where the 3 tenses of salvation are distinctly mentioned or referred to:
  - Titus 2:11-13
  - Romans 5:1-2
  - 1 Thess.1:8-10
  - 1 John 2:28-3:3
  - Romans 13:10-11
  - Colossians 3:1-4
  - Philippians 3:7-11
  - 1 Peter 1:3-9
- Do you see now the importance of “rightly dividing the Word of truth” regarding the 3 tenses of salvation?