

3. Salvation

PURPOSE: To understand what sin is, what it does and how to be FORGIVEN of it.

Sin

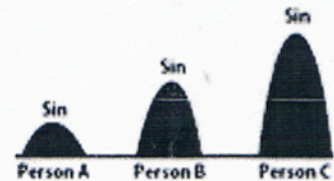
Romans 3:23-24

- ALL have sinned.

Q: In the diagram, who is farthest from God?

1 Corinthians 6:9-11

Q: What is the effect of sin?



•Sexual Immorality	•Pornography	•Jealousy	•Idolatry
•Adultery	•Masturbation	•Envy	•Substance Abuse
•Homosexuality	•Greed	•Stealing	•Drunkenness

2 Timothy 3:1-7

•Selfish	•Ungrateful	•Disobedient to Parents	•Unforgiving
•Proud	•Abusive	•Without Self-Control	•Love pleasure, not God
•Arrogant	•Unloving	•Rash-Thoughtless	•Not Loving what is GOOD

Repentance and Baptism

2 Corinthians 7:10-11

Q: What is the difference between "Godly" and "Worldly Sorrow?" (sadness)

- Godly Sorrow produces repentance, leading to salvation.
- Worldly sorrow is characterized by depression, shame, inward focus and frustration.
- Godly Sorrow is characterized by indignation, alarm, and a readiness for life change.

Acts 2:36-41

Q: What was their response? (v37)

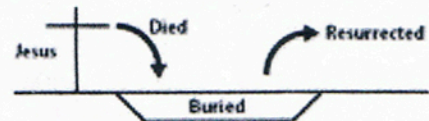
Q: Why were they cut to the heart?

- Repent means to have a complete U-turn in your life.
- Baptism is complete immersion in water.
- The purpose of baptism is to receive the forgiveness of sins and to receive the Holy Spirit.
- The Holy Spirit is the indwelling of God's presence in your life.
- It is a promise for everyone to be in the grace of God and have a relationship with Him

Q: Why did Peter plead with them to be urgent?

Romans 6:1-4

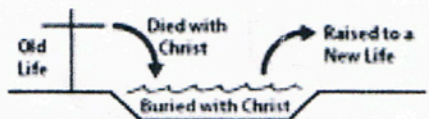
- Baptism is the participation in the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ. (not symbolic)
- Diagram: Jesus Death and Baptism
- The point in time that sins are forgiven is when a repentant believer is baptized.



James 5:16

Q: What can help us heal?

- Confess your sins and pray for each other.
- A lifestyle of confession frees us from guilt.



Faith in Action

1. Write a letter to God, (a written prayer) describing the things that you did that sent Jesus to the Cross.

For further study:

Is 59:1-2, Gal 5:19-21, Mark 7:20-21, Ja 4:17, Acts 26:20, Pro 28:13, 1 Pet 3:21, Col 2:11-14, Gal 3:27, Mark 16:16, John 3:1-7