Sermon Listening Guide Where there's CHRIST There's HOPE



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Review

"The Privilege of Our Salvation"

1. The OT Prophets prophesied about it.

- 2. The NT Apostles preached about it.
- 3. The Heavenly Angels marveled at it.
 - Our bodies will be transformed.
 - Our sins will be terminated.
 - Our reward will be glorious.

"Our salvation is our greatest privilege, but it carries a great responsibility."

The COST of our SALVATION

1. Salvation's _____

STUDY VERSE SECTION - 1 Peter 1:18–19, NASB95 - ¹⁸ knowing that

You were not <u>redeemed</u> [lit, "to set free by paying a price", a slave in the first century (there were 60 million of them) could be freed with the payment of money, but no amount of money can set a lost sinner free. Only the blood of Jesus can do that] *with <u>perishable</u>* [lit, "subject to decay"] *things like silver or gold from your futile* [lit, "worthless"] way of life inherited from your forefathers, ¹⁹ but with precious blood, as of a <u>lamb</u> [this sacrificial "lamb" is described in Lev. 23:12; Num. 6:14 and 28:3] <u>unblemished and spotless</u> [reflects the requirement of a *perfect* and *undefiled* sacrifice as prescribed in Lev. 22, Num. 6, and Deut. 15], <u>the blood of Christ</u> [a vivid phrase pointing to the sacrificial death of Christ and the shedding of His blood; this is very important to understand, "Only the blood of Jesus will do!"].

2. Salvation's _____

STUDY VERSE SECTION - 1 Peter 1:20, NASB95 - ²⁰ For He was

foreknown before the foundation of the world [means Jesus' work on the Cross was planned before creation began], but has appeared in these last times [reflects the Jewish binary concept of "time"—things present and things to come] for the sake of you....

Ephesians 1:4–5, NIV84 -⁴ For <u>He chose us in Him before the</u> <u>creation of the world</u> to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love ⁵ <u>He predestined us to be adopted as His sons through Jesus Christ</u>, in accordance with His pleasure and will....

3. Salvation's _____

STUDY VERSE SECTION - 1 Peter 1:20C-21, NASB95 - ²⁰ ... for the sake

<u>of you</u>, ²¹ who through Him [you] <u>are believers in God</u>, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith [The Gk. word means. "To surrender oneself totally to the lordship of Jesus Christ" (ATR); "This powerful word captures the biblical meaning our English word, faith; it affirms certainty, never doubt. It expresses a firm conviction based on the reliability of what is believed in." (Kittle's) TDNT]; THE PONT: <u>Our salvation is appropriated by</u> <u>our faith in Christ alone!</u>] and hoppe [this Gk. word for "hope" when followed by infinitive is understood as a result of something rather than a goal of something—we place our "faith" in God which results in "hope" from God] are in God [Summary: Our faith is IN God; our hope is FROM God].

Ephesians 2:8, NASB95 -⁸ For by grace you have been <u>saved through</u> <u>faith</u>; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God....

Ephesians 2:8, NLT -⁸ <u>God saved you by His grace</u> when you <u>believed</u>. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God.

LIFE APPLICATION SECTION

The COST of our SALVATION

is like the cost of our freedom.

- A. Someone had to die so that we could be free.
- B. We have been saved from something.
- C. We have been saved to something.

Law have now given everything I own to my children. There is one more thing I wish I could give them and that is Christ. Because if they have everything I have but don't have Christ, they have nothing. -Patrick Henry in his Last Will and Treatment



As Christians, our salvation was not free just as Americans, our freedom was not free.

ANSWERS TO THE MESSAGE:



1. Price

2. Plan

3. Purpose