



# God's Great Salvation

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## WORSHIP

Today  
Magnificent  
Complete

## WELCOME

Take time to read 1 Peter 1:10-12 then discuss on how you understand the passage and what verses stand out in your reading and/or the message delivered last Sunday.

## WORD

### 1 Peter 1:10-11

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God's great salvation is the deliverance and rescue of the human race from the consequences of sin, which is death and eternal separation from God. We have such a great salvation from God, a gift so precious, it was specially intended for us and given to us freely by His grace through Jesus Christ.

We were granted God's mercy, given a living hope, accorded an eternal inheritance and protected by God's power (1 Peter 1:3-5). Knowing how great Jesus' sacrifice on the cross was and how great our salvation is spurs us to choose to be joyful amidst trials and sufferings (1 Peter 1:6-9). **We have a great salvation from God that meets our greatest need.**

We need compassion. We need a hero. We need saving. We need something to hold on to.

## WEEKLY PRAYER POINTS

### Thanksgiving

Worship God for who He is, what He has done, and what He will do in our lives.

### Country and World

Repentance and salvation  
Peace in Ukraine and healing for those infected by the virus

### Church

CCF members would honor God & love God and make disciples.  
Core, pastors and leaders.  
Ministries and church worldwide

### Personal Concerns

Share your problems and concerns with your group and pray for one another.

1  
Salvation is  
by grace

Prophets carefully  
studied  
Intense longing for  
future grace

2  
Salvation is  
through Christ

Apostles gave  
testimony  
Intense passion for  
the Gospel

3  
Salvation is  
for us

Holy Spirit divinely  
inspired  
Intense power from  
God Himself

4  
Salvation is  
most precious

Angels long to look  
Intense appreciation  
of glory



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The prophets were God's chosen messengers, they loved God's word, they treasured it in their hearts and carefully studied it. They were passionate about their salvation, placed their faith in God, and were looking to the day the Messiah would come. They were intensely longing for future grace.

They serve as an inspiration and encouragement to us believers. Just as how they had done, we are to regard God's word the same way too, to read the Bible, love it and live by it.

## **We need compassion - Salvation is by grace.**

God's grace is unmerited and undeserved favor. It is one of the overarching themes in the Bible, God's love story with us. God's grace is glorious enough to favor us and call us beloved (Ephesians 1:6). God's grace is rich enough to forgive us our sins (Ephesians 1:7). God's grace is abundant enough to sustain us through suffering and amplify our testimonies (Acts 4:33). God's grace is multifaceted enough to spur us in serving one another and being good stewards (1 Peter 4:10). God's grace is sufficient enough to help us overcome our weaknesses (2 Corinthians 12:9).

Salvation is by God's grace, personified through Jesus.

## **We need a hero – Salvation is through Christ.**

There are more than 300 predictions about the coming of Christ in the Old Testament. Jesus fulfilled all of them: the cradle – birth of Christ (Micah 5:2), the cross – sufferings of Christ (Isaiah 53, Zechariah 11:12, Isaiah 53:5, Psalm 22:16, Isaiah 53:12) and the empty tomb - glories of Christ (Psalm 16:10, Isaiah 9:6-7). Salvation is through Jesus Christ.

## **We need saving – Salvation is for us.**

Trials and suffering are part and parcel of life. Knowing that Christ died for us and triumphed for us, gives us a new perspective on suffering, that it is momentary and temporary as it pales in comparison to the great salvation given to us, spending eternity with Jesus. We can hang on to Jesus assured of His salvation, the ultimate expression of God's love for us.

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## **We need something to hold on to – Salvation is most precious.**

The angels were witnesses to the greatest love story in history. Throughout the events in the life of Jesus, from the prophecy to the birth, his life and death, the angels have been involved one way or the other, such that they understood how precious this salvation was, that they long to look with an intense appreciation of the glory.

Finally, the apostles preached the Gospel, they endured momentary suffering in light of the eternal glory. They had the very heart of Jesus and God – to seek and save the lost. They had intense passion for the Gospel through the power of the Holy Spirit.

That same mission exists today. Preach the Gospel through the power of the Holy Spirit that empowers us (1 Thes 1:5, 1 Cor 2:4-5). **Share the privilege of salvation. Pass it forward!**

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What is so great about God's salvation?
2. What can you learn about Salvation from the following personas and what can you apply?
  - the prophets
  - the apostles
  - the Holy Spirit
  - the angels
3. How do you treasure the salvation you have and how can you be share this treasure?

