

RCF USA - Foundational Doctrines

Salvation



What do I need to know about the Topic?

At the heart of Christianity is the message of salvation, God's rescue of humanity from sin and eternal separation from Him.

Sin is both outward disobedience and inward rebellion (Romans 3:10, 23). Because of this fallen condition, man cannot save himself; we need a Savior.

That Savior is Jesus Christ, the spotless Son of God. Though without sin, He bore our punishment on the cross (Hebrews 9:28). Through His death and resurrection, we are forgiven, reconciled to God, and given eternal life.

The Greek word *soteria* means deliverance, preservation, and rescue. Salvation is God's gift, received through faith in Jesus Christ (Romans 10:9-13). It involves acknowledging sin, repenting, believing in Christ's death and resurrection, accepting Him as Lord, and confessing Him openly.

Salvation is both present and future; we are saved from sin's penalty, given power over sin now, and promised ultimate deliverance when Christ returns. For believers, salvation shapes identity and offers forgiveness, freedom, and eternal hope.

What is the Big Idea?



The goal of this lesson is to help believers understand salvation as God's greatest gift—deliverance from sin, reconciliation with God, and eternal life in Christ.

At the end of the lesson, everyone should:

- Recognize salvation as God's gift through Jesus Christ.
- Understand its present and future dimensions.
- Commit to living in the freedom and hope that salvation provides.

Discussing the Passage: Romans 10:9–10

Paul explains that salvation comes by believing in the fact that Jesus rose from the dead and confessing Him as Lord. It is not earned by works but received by faith.





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Exploring the Passage

- What is salvation? Deliverance and reconciliation through Jesus (Heb. 9:28).
- How is it received? By faith, repentance, and confession (Rom. 10:9–13; Acts 3:19).
- Why is it important? It grounds our identity and gives eternal

Assignment

Write down the steps of salvation and support each with a Bible verse.

Advanced Application Questions

- How does understanding salvation affect the way you live daily?
- In what ways can you share the message of salvation with others around you?