



Is the Bible
all of God's
Word?
(Heb 1:1)

How should
we divide
the Bible?
(Gal 3:23)

What should
we do about
sin?
(1 Tim 1:15)

Is the Bible
God's Word?
(Jhn 1)

What makes
a Christian?
(Acts 8:35)

JESUS

Is there
a God?
(Col 1:16)

What makes
a church?
(Col 1:18,
Eph 1:22)

WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO BE IN CHRIST?

{ There are so many
different opinions }

Sinner's Prayer Infant Baptism
Speaking In Tongues Good Works

HOW CAN I KNOW?

We know that people in the Bible were saved.

...praising God, and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to them day by day those that were saved. (Acts 2:47)

We know the Bible is the key to Christ.

For I am not ashamed of the gospel: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believes; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek. (Romans 1:16)

If We Do What Bible Christians Did, And We Read What The Bible Says On Salvation, We Will Be Fine!

{ Sinner's Prayer }

"Father, I know that I have broken your laws and my sins have separated me from you. I am truly sorry, and now I want to turn away from my past sinful life toward you. Please forgive me, and help me avoid sinning again. I believe that your son, Jesus Christ, died for my sins, was resurrected from the dead, is alive, and hears my prayer. I invite Jesus to become the Lord of my life, to rule and reign in my heart from this day forward. Please send your Holy Spirit to help me obey You and to do Your will for the rest of my life. In Jesus' name I pray, Amen."

THIS PRAYER (IN ANY FORM) NEVER SHOWS UP IN THE BIBLE.

THE BIBLE NEVER MENTIONS PRAYER IN THE SALVATION PROCESS... BUT IT DOES MENTION A LOT OF OTHER THINGS.

THE BIBLE DOES MENTION PEOPLE WHO PRAY TO GOD THAT WILL BE LOST – Matt. 7:22-23

Rev. 22:18 I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God will add to him the plagues described in this book.

1. Every Christian Begins The Same Way

Rom. 10:17 So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the Word of Christ.

Acts 8:4 They therefore that were scattered abroad, went about preaching the Word.

Acts 8:35 And Philip opened his mouth, and beginning from this Scripture, preached unto him Jesus.

Acts 14:21 And when they had preached the gospel to that city, and had made many disciples, they returned to Lystra, and to Iconium, and to Antioch.

Rom. 10:14 How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher?

HEAR
THE
WORD

2. The Preaching Of Christ Always Does Something

ONE OF TWO REACTIONS

BELIEVE
THE
WORD

Acts 2:37 Now when they heard this, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and the rest of the apostles, **“Brethren, what shall we do?”**

Jas. 1:21 Wherefore putting away all filthiness and overflowing of wickedness, receive with meekness the implanted Word, which is able to save your souls.

Acts 7:54 Now when they heard these things, they were cut to the heart, and they gnashed on him with their teeth.

Jhn. 3:19 And this is the judgment, that the light is come into the world, and men loved the darkness rather than the light; for their works were evil.

Jas. 2:19-20

BIBLE BELIEF IS ACTIVE, OBEDIENT, AND WORKING

3. Belief Turns To Allegiance & Loyalty

Confess
Christ
As Lord

1 Jn. 4:15 Whoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwells in him, and he in God.

Rom. 10:9-10 That if you shall confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus, and shall believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you shall be saved. For with the heart, man believes to righteousness; and with the mouth, confession is made to salvation.

SO IS CONFESSION ALL YOU HAVE TO DO?

REMEMBER – WE HAVE TO TAKE ALL OF THE BIBLE

Is Baptism All You Have To Do?

Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you.
(1 Pet. 3:21)

Is Hope All You Have To Have?

For we are saved by hope. (Rom. 8:24)

Do We Only Have To Listen?

But I receive not testimony from man: but these things I say, that you might be saved. (Jhn. 5:34)

Do We Only Have To Believe?

And they said, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you shall be saved, and your house." (Acts 16:31)

4. What a Man Thinks is Who a Man is

(Pr. 23:7)

Acts 17:30 The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now He commands all men everywhere to repent.

REPENT (metanoeo) means *to change one's mind*.
(Thayer's)

**GOD WANTS A CHANGED MIND, NOT JUST
'BETTER-THAN-AVERAGE' LIVING – Lk 13:1-5**

Acts 3:19 Repent you therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord.

2 Cor. 7:10 For godly grief produces a repentance that leads to salvation without regret, whereas worldly grief produces death.

2 Pet. 3:9 The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness; but is longsuffering to you-ward, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

Lk. 17:21 Jesus should dwell within our minds as King.

REPENT
OF YOUR
SINS

1. HEAR THE WORD
Rom. 10:17

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2. BELIEVE THE WORD
Jhn. 3:16

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3. CONFESS CHRIST
Rom. 10:10

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4. REPENT OF OUR SINS
Acts 17:30

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5. Be Baptized

SALVATION

2 Tim. 1:13 Hold the **pattern of sound words** which thou hast heard from me, in faith and love which is in Christ Jesus.

Ps. 119:160 **The sum of Thy word is truth;** And every one of Thy righteous ordinances endureth forever.

How Were People Converted In The NT?

Every Case Of
Conversion In The Book
of Acts Involves
Baptism.

It is the single most
well-documented
element of the
conversion process.

3,000 on Pentecost Acts 2:38-41

Samaritans Acts 8:12

Simon the Magician Acts 8:13

Ethiopian Eunuch Acts 8:36-38

Paul Acts 9:18-19

Cornelius & His Friends Acts 10:47-48

Lydia Acts 16:14-15

Philippian Jailer Acts 16:31-33

Corinthians Acts 18:8

Apollos Acts 18:24-26

John's Disciples Acts 19:1-5

What Does The
Bible
Teach On
Baptism?

Jesus
Taught It

Go ye therefore, and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit... (Matt 28:19)

He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that disbelieveth shall be condemned. (Mk 16:16)

Peter Taught It

And Peter said unto them, "Repent ye, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ unto the remission of your sins; and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." (Ax 2:38)

Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ. (1 Pet 3:21)

Paul Taught It

We were buried therefore with Him through baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we also might walk in newness of life. (Rom 6:4)

For as many of you as were baptized into Christ did put on Christ. (Gal 3:27)

Having been buried with Him in baptism, wherein ye were also raised with Him through faith in the working of God, who raised Him from the dead. (Col 2:12)

If This Subject Is So Clear, Why Is Their So Much Argument About It?

REASON #1 – Many many people don't know any better and trust the "experts" who have heard things from unreformed churches.

*The average person has never read the Bible.
*Eight spider webs.

*Carrots.

REASON #2 – Many people are afraid of the Bible and gives a bad reputation.

*For the sake of the doctrine; but, having their own lusts.

*"Faith Only" people and their accountability.

*Baptism always brings up the question "What about those who aren't baptized?"

*Baptism feels like a controversial issue and forces us to consider what we believe, which is uncomfortable for many.

**WHEN WE
TAKE THE BIBLE ONLY,
REMOVE OUR PERSONAL BIAS
AND PRECONCEIVED NOTIONS,
AND PREPARE OURSELVES TO
DO WHATEVER THE BIBLE SAYS,
BAPTISM BECOMES A
SIMPLE STEP.**

**DO YOUR
HOMEWORK
Matt. 7:7**

**For as many of you as were
baptized into Christ
did put on Christ.**

(Gal 3:27)

**Blessed be the God and Father
of our Lord Jesus Christ, who
has blessed us **in Christ**
with every spiritual blessing in
the heavenly places, (Eph 1:3)**