

Acts 16:25 - 32 (NASB)

²⁸BUT PAUL CRIED OUT WITH A LOUD VOICE, SAYING, "DO NOT HARM YOURSELF, FOR WE ARE ALL HERE!" ²⁹AND HE CALLED FOR LIGHTS AND RUSHED IN, AND TREMBLING WITH FEAR HE FELL DOWN BEFORE PAUL AND SILAS, ³⁰AND AFTER HE BROUGHT THEM OUT, HE SAID, "SIRS, WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?"

³¹THEY SAID, "BELIEVE IN THE LORD JESUS, AND YOU WILL BE SAVED, YOU AND YOUR HOUSEHOLD." ³²AND THEY SPOKE THE WORD OF THE LORD TO HIM TOGETHER WITH ALL WHO WERE IN HIS HOUSE.

What does the word "believe" mean in verse 31?

Q. "SIRS, WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?"

A. "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved" (**Ver. 31**). This is the core of the message of grace.

Q. When "the people" had asked John the Baptist: "***What shall we do then?***"

A. he insisted upon the fruits of repentance and of the kingdom (***Luke 3:9-11***).

Q. When a lawyer had asked our Lord: "What shall I do to inherit eternal life?"

A. the Lord asked him: "What is written in the law?" and had instructed him: "This do, and thou shalt live" (***Luke 10:25-28***).

Q. When Peter's convicted hearers at Pentecost had asked: "What shall we do?"

A. Peter had directed them to "repent and be baptized ... for the remission of sins" (***Acts 2:37, 38***).

Salvation UNPACKED:

The magnificence of the word *salvation*—Note the way it is employed in the following verses:

1. "Salvation belongs unto the Lord: thy blessing is upon thy people. Selah" (***Psa. 3:8***).
2. "The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?" (***Psa. 27:1***).
3. "Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free spirit" (***Psa. 51:12***).
4. "Truly my soul waits upon God: from him cometh my salvation. He only is my rock and my salvation; he is my defense; I shall not be greatly moved" (***Psa. 62:1-2***).
5. "Blessed be the Lord, who daily loads us with benefits, even the God of our salvation. Selah" (***Psa. 68:19***).
6. "Let all those that seek thee rejoice and be glad in thee: and let such as love thy salvation say continually, Let God be magnified" (***Psa. 70:4***).

Monday Morning Moment

It is NOT enough to believe in God. You must believe Him by obeying Him!

James 2:19 - 20 (NLT)

¹⁹You say you have faith, for you believe that there is one God. Good for you! Even the demons believe this, and they tremble in terror.

²⁰How foolish! Can't you see that faith without good deeds is useless?