

Fueling Station 3: The Salvation Road Key to Salvation Past, Present and Future

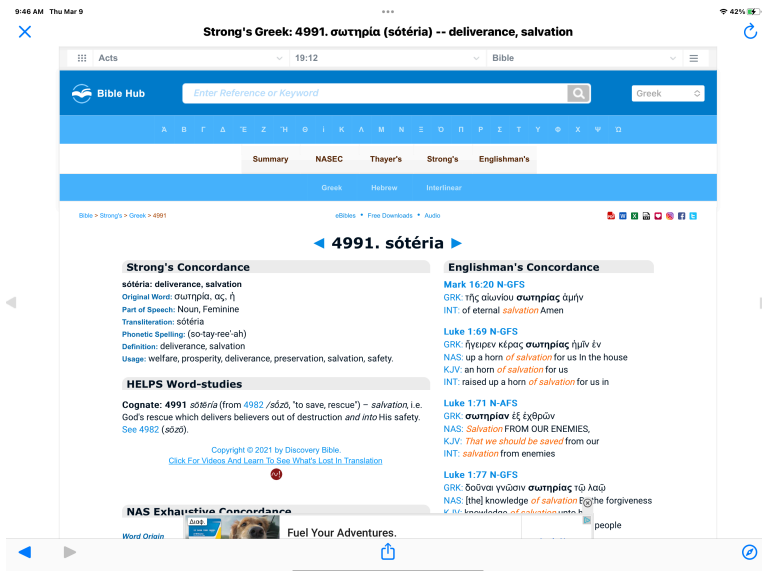


Really?

Remember now that Jesus died for the sins of the world and He has won back the Kingdom both in the heavens and on earth. We are now presented with the Good News of entering the race to inherit all of His promises throughout history to His people. Your race began when you decided to look to Him as your Lord and King in thanksgiving for His salvation from the kingdom of darkness. The Israelites coming out of Egypt making their way through the wilderness trying to make it to the promised land is the complete example of this salvation race given to the New Testament church.

Intro:

I want you to picture salvation as a ladder that goes from the earth up into the heavens, very much like Jacob's ladder. Salvation is being delivered from one rung to a higher rung of privilege in the kingdom of God. Just like the apostle said in the Book of Philippians that we should be striving for the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.



1 Thessalonians 5:23

“Now may the God of peace Himself **sanctify** you completely and may your whole **spirit** and **soul** and **body** be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

*This verse shows the need for complete salvation of every part of us: body, soul and spirit. Salvation means to deliver from a lower place to a higher place, and the word to sanctify means to “set apart” for Gods purposes.

“Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning **sin** and **righteousness** and **judgment**.”

John 16:7-8 ESV

*The Holy Spirit had a 3 part mission for a 3 part salvation!

Jesus= Justification

Spirit= Sanctification

God= Glorification

1)Salvation: Justification-past tense rebirth of our “spirit” out of the kingdom of darkness and into the kingdom of light. The sin debt has been paid and the penalty of separation dealt with.

“Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained **access** by faith into **this grace** in which we stand, and we rejoice **in hope** of **the glory** of God.”

Romans 5:1-2 ESV

*All three parts of Salvation are represented in this passage.

“For by grace you have been **saved** through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus **for good works**, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.”
Ephesians 2:8-10 ESV

*Paul usually combines stages of salvation.

“But by **the grace** of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but **the grace** of God that is with me.”
1 Corinthians 15:10 ESV

*Grace now becomes the power to run this race faithfully!

Philippians 1:6

“And I am sure of this, that he who **began** a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ”

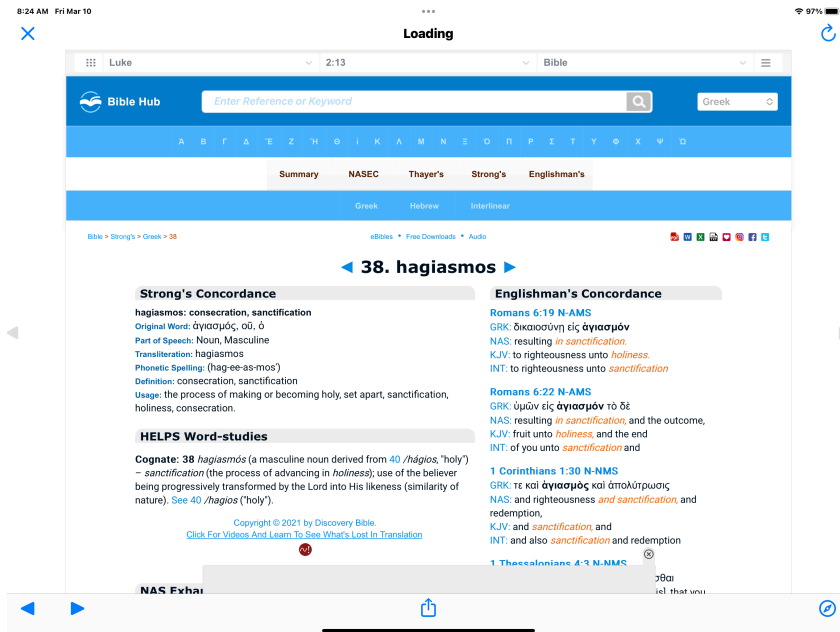
*began=starting line

You have started your race when you place your faith in Jesus Christ as your Lord. This starts your race of faith to the Kingdom (the Millennial Kingdom).

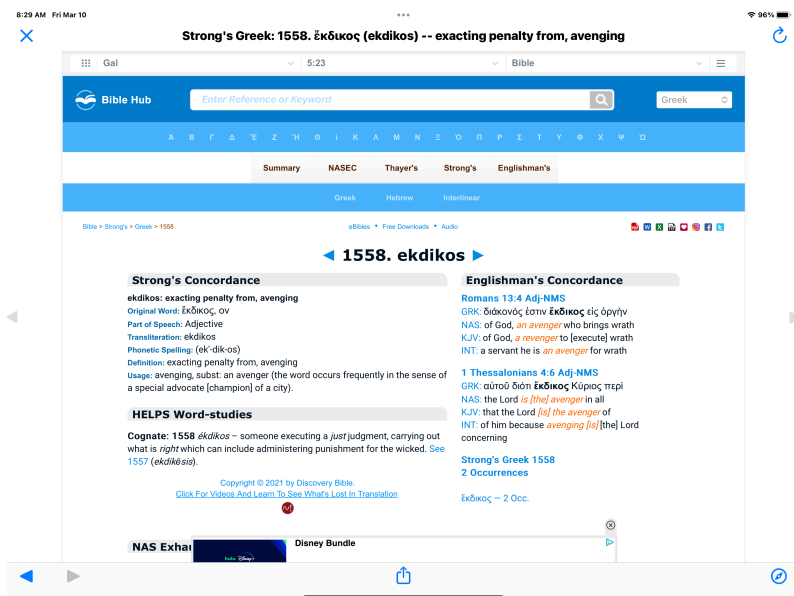
2) Salvation: Sanctification-present tense “soul” sanctification is the process of removing all admixture and maturing in our faith knowledge of God. Sanctification is the experience, beginning in regeneration, by which the believer is set apart to God's purposes, and is enabled to progress toward moral and spiritual maturity through the presence and power of the Holy Spirit dwelling in him. Growth in grace should continue throughout the regenerate person's life. We are no longer slaves to sin but unto righteousness. We are being saved from the power of sin unto good works prepared for us to walk in.

“Finally, then, brothers, we ask and urge you in the Lord Jesus, that as you received from us how you **ought to** walk and to please God, just as you are doing, that you do so more and more. For you know what **instructions** we gave you through the Lord Jesus. For this is **the will** of God, your sanctification: that you abstain from sexual immorality; that **each one** of you know how to control his own body in **holiness and honor**,”

1 Thessalonians 4:1-4 ESV



“For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you abstain from sexual immorality; that each one of you know how to control his own body in holiness and honor, not in the passion of lust like the Gentiles who do not know God; that **no one** transgress and wrong his brother in this matter, **because** the Lord is an **avenger** in all these things, as we **told you** beforehand and solemnly **warned you**. For God has not **called** us for impurity, but in holiness. **Therefore whoever** disregards this, disregards not man but God, who gives his Holy Spirit **to you**.”
 1 Thessalonians 4:3-8 ESV



“For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for **good works**, which God prepared beforehand, that we **should** walk in them.”

Ephesians 2:10 ESV

“For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with words of eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power. For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who **are being saved** it is the power of God.”

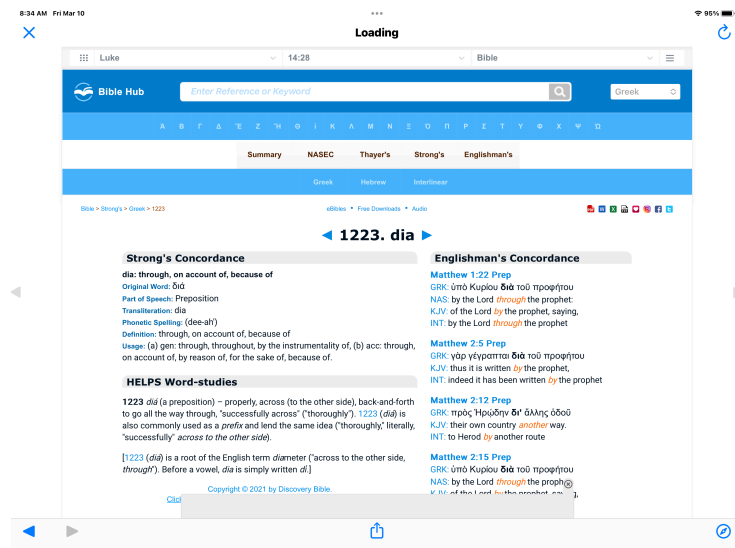
1 Corinthians 1:17-18 ESV

*Pauls hope for the church is to live in the power of God in order to please God and receive the salvation of our souls which is a good judgement on the day of the Lord.

“Now if anyone builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw— each one’s work will become manifest, for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed by fire, and the fire will test what sort of **work each one has done**. If the work that anyone has built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward. If **anyone’s** work is burned up, **he will suffer loss**, though he himself **will be saved**, but **only as through fire**.”

1 Corinthians 3:12-15 ESV

*This future tense salvation is only achieved as through fire. This is a guarantee that Christ will sanctify His church!



*this future fire only makes sense as the “day of judgement”. Fire is only seen through the Trumpet judgements and the fact that brethren are said to be showing up before the throne of God with white garments because they just washed them through the great tribulation is an incredible support for this promise!

“Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you **received**, in which you **stand**, and by which you **are being saved**, **if you hold fast** to the word I preached to you— **unless you believed in vain.**” 1 Corinthians 15:1,2 ESV

*This “salvation” of being made righteous, is conditioned upon “holding fast”. This race of present tense salvation is a marathon race, and the prize Paul will go on to refer to in context is a general resurrection where there is an orderly selection and a differing glory!

Philippians 2:12

“12 Therefore, **my beloved**, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, **work out your own salvation** with fear and trembling, 13 for it is God who works in you, both to will and **to work for his good pleasure.**”

*to work out something is to use what you have already been given in order to receive something else available! The salvation of our soul is a big deal and requires our full attention.

3) Salvation: Glorification-future tense saving of our “bodies” from the wrath to come and into the glorious inheritance.

“Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more **shall we be saved** by him **from the wrath** of God.”

Romans 5:9 ESV

The screenshot shows a web-based concordance tool for the Greek word 3709, ὀργή (orgé), which means "impulse, wrath". The interface includes a navigation bar with tabs for "Summary", "NASEC", "Thayer's", "Strong's", and "Englishman's". The "Strong's" tab is selected, showing the following information:

- Strong's Concordance:** orgé: impulse, wrath. Original Word: ὀργή, ὀργή, ὀργή. Part of Speech: Noun, Feminine. Transliteration: orgé. Phonetic Spelling: (or-gay). Definition: impulse, wrath. Usage: anger, wrath, passion; punishment, vengeance.
- HELPS Word-studies:** 3709 orgé (from orgáo, "to teem, swelling up to constitutionally oppose") - properly, settled anger (opposition), i.e. rising up from an ongoing (fixed) opposition. 3709 /orgé ("settled anger") proceeds from an internal disposition which steadfastly opposes someone or something based on extended personal exposure, i.e. solidifying what the beholder considers wrong (unjust, evil). [Orgé comes from the verb orgáo meaning, "to teem, to swell, and thus implies that it is not a sudden outburst, but rather (referring to God's) fixed, controlled, passionate feeling against sin - a settled indignation (see Hendriksen)" (D. E. Hiebert, at 1 Thes 1:10).]

The "Englishman's Concordance" section lists several Bible verses with their corresponding Greek text and English translations:

- Matthew 3:7 N-GFS:** GRK: τῆς μελλούσης ὀργῆς. NAS: you to flee from the wrath to come? KJV: to flee from the wrath to come? INT: the coming wrath.
- Mark 3:5 N-GFS:** GRK: αὐτοὺς μετ' ὀργῆς συλλυπούμενος ἐπιγrievied. NAS: After looking around at them with anger. KJV: on them with anger being grieved for. INT: them with anger being grieved at.
- Luke 3:7 N-GFS:** GRK: τῆς μελλούσης ὀργῆς. NAS: you to flee from the wrath to come? KJV: to flee from the wrath to come? INT: the coming wrath.
- Luke 21:23 N-NFS:** GRK: γῆς καὶ ὀργῆς τοῦ λαοῦ. NAS: upon the land and wrath to this. KJV: the land, and wrath upon this.

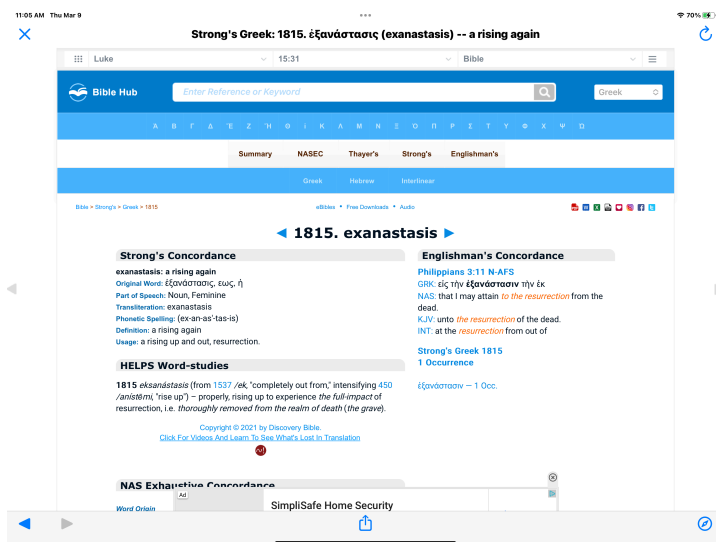
Hebrews 1:14

“Are they not all ministering spirits sent out to serve for the sake of **those** who are to **inherit salvation**”

*there is a salvation to be inherited!

Philippians 3:10-16

“10 that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, 11 that by any means possible **I may attain the resurrection** from the dead. 12 Not that I have already obtained this or am already **perfect**, but I **press on to make it my own**, because Christ Jesus has **made me** his own. 13 Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But **one thing I do**: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to **what lies ahead**, 14 I press on toward the goal for the **prize of the upward call** of God in Christ Jesus. 15 Let those of us who are **mature think this way**, and if in anything you think otherwise, God will reveal that also to you. 16 Only let us **hold true** to what we have attained.”



Notice how many times Paul (“I”) refers to his participation to achieve something in the future! This possibility of attaining a certain resurrection is important to ponder. This is a future possibility that in context to Pauls complete writings to the church for future inheritance and rewards in the millennial reign of Christ.

1 Peter 1: 4-5

“To an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God’s power are being guarded through faith for a salvation Ready to be revealed in the last time.”

1 Peter 1:9

“...obtaining the **outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.**”



*This is what it means to have your soul saved:

“And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.’ Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.’”
Matthew 25:10, 21, 34 ESV

*The key to understanding the degree of Glory you can receive is dependent on how well you “knew” God and Jesus and how well they “knew” you!

1. Did you know Him as a bridegroom and you as a bride?(Jn 3:29)
2. Did you know Him as Lord and Master and you as “friend”?(Jn 15:15)
3. Did you know Him as Shepherd and you as “my sheep”?(Jn 10:14)

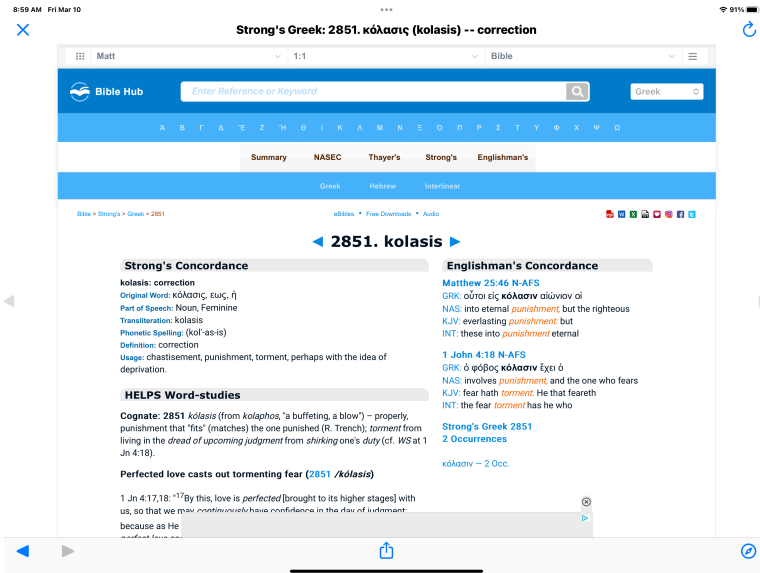
This is what it means to have your soul unsaved:

“Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, ‘Lord, Lord, open to us.’ But he answered, ‘Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.’ Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour. But his master answered him, ‘You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I scattered no seed? And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ Then they also will answer, saying, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick

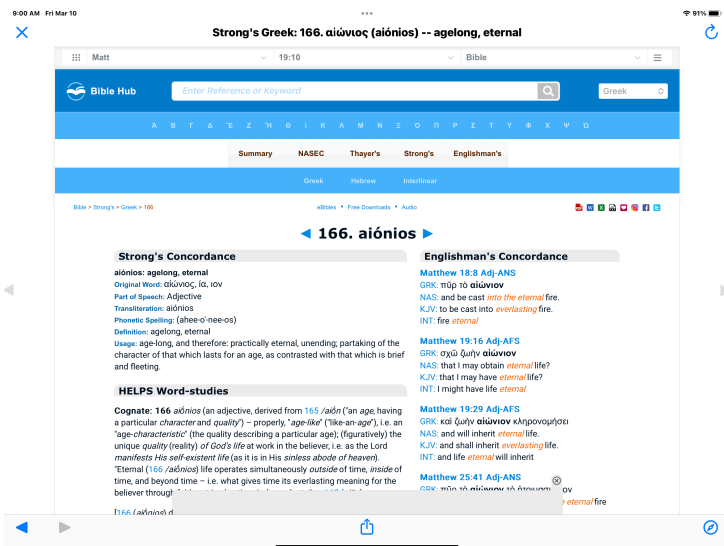
or in prison, and did not minister to you?’ Then he will answer them, saying, ‘Truly, I say to you, as you **did not** do it to one of the least of these, you **did not** do it to me.’ And **these will go away** into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.’”

Matthew 25:11-13, 26, 30, 44-46 ESV

*Punishment



*eternal



*These are powerful examples of what it means to believers who fail to receive soul salvation! This again has nothing to do with our western concept of hell and certainly not for all eternity!

Warnings to the Church of receiving no inheritance:

“That is true. They were broken off because of their unbelief, but you stand fast through faith. So **do not become proud, but fear**. For if God **did not spare** the natural branches, neither will he **spare you**. Note then the **kindness and the severity** of God: severity toward those who have fallen, but God’s kindness to you, **provided you continue** in his kindness. **Otherwise** you too will be **cut off**.”

Romans 11:20-22 ESV

*Just like the warning of the Israelites who “fell” in the wilderness on their way to the promise land.

“Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not **inherit** the kingdom of God? Do not be **deceived**: neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor men who **practice** homosexuality, nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will **inherit** the **kingdom** of God. And such were some of you. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.”

1 Corinthians 6:9-11 ESV

*clear warning to those already washed, “set apart”, justified and given the Spirit!

“So whether we are at home or away, we make it **our aim** to please him. For **we must all** appear before **the judgment** seat of Christ, so that **each one** may receive **what is due** for what he has done in the body, **whether** good or evil.”

2 Corinthians 5:9-10 ESV

“But sexual immorality and all impurity or covetousness **must not** even be named **among you**, as is proper among saints. For **you may be sure** of this, that **everyone** who is sexually immoral or impure, or who is covetous (that is, an idolater), has **no inheritance** in the **kingdom** of Christ and God.”

Ephesians 5:3, 5 ESV

“Whatever **you do**, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, **knowing** that from the Lord you will receive **the inheritance** as your **reward**. You are serving the Lord Christ. For the **wrongdoer will be paid back** for the wrong **he has done**, and there is **no partiality**.”

Colossians 3:23-25 ESV

“For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken of another day later on. So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, for whoever has entered God’s rest has also **rested from his works** as God did from his. **Let us therefore strive to enter that rest**, so that no one may fall by the same sort of **disobedience**. For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow,

and discerning the **thoughts and intentions of the heart**. And **no creature** is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom **we must give account**.”
Hebrews 4:8-13 ESV

*Again, incredible associations to the Israelites trying to enter the promise land. Our works of obedience are essential!

“**Beloved**, although I was very eager to write to you about our common salvation, I found it necessary to write appealing to you to **contend for** the faith that was once for all delivered to the saints. Now I want to **remind you**, although **you once fully knew** it, that Jesus, who saved a people out of the land of Egypt, afterward **destroyed those** who did not believe (faithful). And the angels who did not stay within their own position of authority, but left their proper dwelling, he has kept in eternal chains under gloomy darkness **until the judgment of the great day**— just as Sodom and Gomorrah and the surrounding cities, which likewise indulged in sexual immorality and pursued unnatural desire, serve as an example by undergoing a punishment of eternal fire.”

Jude 1:3, 5-7 ESV

Philippians 3:

“16 Only let us **hold** true to what we **have attained**.

17 **Brothers**, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on **those who walk** according to the example you have in us. 18 For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, **walk as** enemies of the cross of Christ. 19 **Their end** is destruction (apoleia-cut off from what they should of received), **their** god is their belly, and **they** glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things.”

“Truly, truly, I say to you, an hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live. For as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself. And he has given him authority to execute judgment, because he is the Son of Man. Do not marvel at this, for an hour is coming when all who are in the tombs will hear his voice and come out, **those who** have done good to the resurrection of life, and **those who have done** evil to the resurrection of judgment.”

John 5:25-29 ESV

*this is the key to our “works” being evaluated by Jesus. As stated earlier, these are the works of Faith in Christ as we are led by The Spirit and declared “sons” of God!

“having a hope in God, which these men themselves accept, that there will be a resurrection of **both** the just and the unjust. So I always **take pains** to have a clear conscience toward **both** God and man.”

Acts 24:15-16 ESV

*Paul understood this!

Colossians 1:

“Christ in you, **the hope** of glory. 28 Him we proclaim, **warning everyone** and teaching **everyone** with all wisdom, that we **may present everyone** mature in Christ. 29 **For this** I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me.”

*Next: How to run a faithful race and receive the kingdom promises.

Important Extra Verses:

“Therefore let us **leave** the elementary doctrine of Christ and **go on to maturity**, not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God, For it is impossible, in the **case of those** who have once been enlightened, who have tasted the heavenly gift, and have shared in the Holy Spirit, and have tasted the goodness of the word of God and the powers of the age to come, and **then have fallen away**, to restore them again to repentance, since they are crucifying once again the Son of God to their own harm and holding him up to contempt. For land that has drunk the rain that often falls on it, and produces a crop useful to those for whose sake it is cultivated, receives a blessing from God. **But if** it bears thorns and thistles, it is worthless and **near to** being cursed, and **its end** is to be burned. Though we speak in this way, yet **in your case**, beloved, we feel(Pauls hope)sure of **better things**—things that **belong** to salvation.”

Hebrews 6:1, 4-9 ESV

“Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. For if we go on sinning **deliberately after receiving** the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, but a **fearful expectation of judgment**, and a fury of fire that will consume the adversaries. **Anyone** who has set aside the law of Moses dies without mercy on the evidence of two or three witnesses. **How much worse** punishment, do **you think**, will be deserved by **the one** who has trampled underfoot the Son of God, and has profaned the blood of the covenant by which **he was** sanctified, and has outraged the Spirit of grace? For we know him who said, “Vengeance is mine; I will **repay**.” And again, “The Lord **will judge his people**.” It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.”

Hebrews 10:23, 26-31 ESV

“**Therefore** lift your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees, and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame **may not be** put out of joint but rather be healed. **Strive** for peace with everyone, and for the holiness **without which no one** will see the Lord. See to it that no one **fails to obtain** the grace of God; that no “root of bitterness” springs up and causes trouble, and by it **many become defiled**; that no one is sexually immoral or unholy **like** Esau, who sold his birthright for a single meal. For **you know** that afterward, when he desired to **inherit** the blessing, he was rejected, for he found **no chance** to repent, though he sought it with tears.”

Hebrews 12:12-17 ESV

“Let marriage be held in honor **among all**, and let the marriage bed be undefiled, for God **will judge** the sexually immoral and adulterous. Do not **neglect** to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are **pleasing** to God. Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that **you may do his will**, working in us that which is **pleasing** in his sight, **through** Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.”
Hebrews 13:4, 16, 20-21 ESV

“You adulterous people! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore **whoever** wishes to be a friend of the world **makes himself** an enemy of God. Or do **you suppose** it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, “He yearns jealously over the spirit that he has made to dwell **in us**”? But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, “God **opposes** the proud but gives grace to the humble.” **Submit yourselves therefore** to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. **Cleanse** your hands, you sinners, and **purify** your hearts, you double-minded. Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. **Humble yourselves before the Lord**, and he **will** exalt you.”
James 4:4-10 ESV

“Be patient, therefore, brothers, **until** the coming of the Lord. See how the farmer **waits** for the precious fruit of the earth, being patient about it, until it receives the early and the late rains. **You also**, be patient. Establish your hearts, for **the coming of the Lord** is at hand. Do not grumble against one another, brothers, so that you **may not** be judged; behold, the Judge is standing at the door. Behold, we consider those blessed who remained steadfast. **You have heard** of the steadfastness of Job, and **you have seen** the purpose of the Lord, how the Lord is compassionate and merciful. But above all, **my brothers**, do not swear, either by heaven or by earth or by any other oath, but let your “yes” be yes and your “no” be no, so that you may not fall under condemnation. **Therefore**, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you **may be healed**. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working. My brothers, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and someone brings him back, let him know that **whoever brings back** a sinner from **his wandering will save his soul** from death and will cover a multitude of sins.”
James 5:7-9, 11-12, 16, 19-20 ESV

“Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be **brought to you** at the revelation of Jesus Christ. As **obedient** children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, but as he who called you is holy, **you also** be holy in all your conduct, **since it is written**, “You shall be holy, for I am holy.” And if you call on him as Father who **judges impartially** according to **each one’s deeds**, conduct yourselves with fear **throughout** the time of your exile,”
1 Peter 1:13-17 ESV

“Since therefore Christ suffered in the flesh, **arm yourselves** with the same way of thinking, for whoever has suffered in the flesh has ceased from sin, so as to **live for the rest of the time** in the flesh **no longer** for human passions **but** for the will of God. For the time that is past suffices for doing what the Gentiles want to do, living in sensuality, passions, drunkenness, orgies, drinking parties, and lawless idolatry. With respect to this they are surprised when **you do not join them** in the same flood of debauchery, and they malign you; but they will **give account** to him who is ready to **judge the living(Jews) and the dead(Gentiles)**. For **this is why** the gospel was preached even to those who are dead(might be a reference to Gentiles), that though judged in the flesh the way people are, they **might live** in the spirit the way God does.”

1 Peter 4:1-6 ESV

“But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a roar, and the heavenly bodies will be burned up and dissolved, and the earth and the works that are done on it will be exposed. **Since all these things** are thus to be dissolved, what sort of people **ought you to be** in lives of holiness and godliness, **waiting** for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set on fire and dissolved, and the heavenly bodies will melt as they burn! But according to his promise we are waiting for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells. **Therefore**, beloved, since you are waiting for these, **be diligent to be found** by him without spot or blemish, and at peace. And count the patience of our Lord as salvation, just as our beloved brother Paul also wrote to you according to the wisdom given him, as he does in all his letters when he speaks in them of these matters. There are some things in them that are hard to understand, which the **ignorant and unstable twist** to their **own destruction**, as they do the other Scriptures. **You therefore, beloved**, knowing this beforehand, **take care that you** are not **carried away** with the error of lawless people and **lose your own stability**. **But grow** in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity. Amen.”

2 Peter 3:10-18 ESV

“And **by this** we know that we have come to know him, **if we** keep his commandments. Whoever says “I know him” but does not keep his commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him, but whoever keeps his word, in him truly the love of God is perfected. **By this we** may know that we are in him: **whoever** says he abides in him **ought to walk** in the same way in which he walked. Do not love the world or the things in the world. **If anyone** loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world—the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and pride of life—is not from the Father but is from the world. Let what you heard from the beginning abide in you. **If** what you heard from the beginning abides in you, then **you too** will abide in the Son and in the Father. And now, **little children**, abide in him, **so that** when he appears we may have **confidence and not shrink** from him in shame at his coming. If you know that he is righteous, **you may be sure** that everyone who **practices** righteousness has been born of him.”

1 John 2:3-6, 15-16, 24, 28-29 ESV

“**Behold**, I am coming soon, bringing my recompense with me, to **repay each one** for what he has done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.”

Revelation 22:12-13 ESV

Application/Contemplation:

1) Have you ever been confused between the different uses of “saved” when reading the Scriptures? How did you choose to deal with it?

2) Based on this knowledge now what is our incentive for running a faithful race? Is it still that we might not be thrown in hell? Or is it something completely different?

3) There are many aspects of salvation that require our participation, loyalty, and endurance. Does this inspire you remain in the race of faith and not give up? Explain your answer.

4) Think of the goal of every well meaning parent in raising their children. The hope is in raising an honorable, healthy, and respectable citizen of this earth under heaven. Did you or were you ever promised rewards or loss during the journey of growing up? How is this similar to God in whose image we were originally created?

5) What inspires you in your earthly goals? Fear of missing out? Hope of receiving more?

*Remember be a good Berean and be diligent in studying the scriptures to show yourself approved and encourage others to do the same!

More Scriptural Evidence - Salvation Past, Present and Future

Ephesians 2:5,6

“Even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ - by grace you have been saved. “and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,”

Matthew 10:22

“and you will be hated by all for my name’s sake. But the one who endures to the end will be (V-FIP) saved.”

Romans 13:11

“Besides this you know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For (the) salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed.”

1 Thessalonians 5:8,9

“But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ,”

*The context is in direct observance to the return of Christ for the rapture of the prepared.

1 Peter 1:5

“who by God’s power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.”

*This salvation is directly related to the “deliverance” or “escape” from a bad judgement exactly like Noah did when God flooded the earth.

1 Corinthians 5:5

“you are to deliver this man to Satan for the destruction of the flesh, so that his spirit may be(V-ASP) saved in the day of the Lord.”

*huge reference to someone continuing to enjoy the old leaven that Christ delivered him out of. This man has not participated in the continued setting apart of the work of salvation! As a result he may have to face a bad judgement on the day of the Lord. It is also telling to note that the multitude of warnings to the churches usually refer to this particular “day”.

“The one who has the bride is the bridegroom. The friend of the bridegroom, who stands and hears him, rejoices greatly at the bridegroom’s voice. Therefore this joy of mine is now complete.”

John 3:29 ESV

Vitamins - Salvation Past, Present and Future

Begun= “enarchomai”- to make a beginning, commence(Phil.1:6)

workout= “katargazomai”- literally to work down to the end point, to bring about an exact, definite conclusion.(Phil. 2:12)

Resurrection - “exanastasia” - completely out from, the full impact of resurrection, thoroughly removed from

*definitive article “the” is in front of resurrection denoting a specific type of resurrection which is not the general resurrection

*This word for resurrection is used only once in the New Testament showing its unique importance!

Attain - “katantao” - to reach, attain, to be face to face

Salvation - “Sozo” (verb) - Deliver out of danger and into safety. Principally of God rescuing believers from the penalty and power of sins and into His inherited provisions.

*Since Jesus began this salvation in us by the gift of His Spirit, we now, must use(workout) this gift by way of faith in order to go on to complete maturity, pleasing God, and striving to attain to the highest resurrection! This is The Race!!