

THE NEW TESTAMENT PLAN OF SALVATION

The "Roman Road"

(Scriptures all found in the book of Romans)

1. FAITH (10:9-10)
 - A. Righteous (4:13)
 - B. Strong (4:20)
 - C. From the Heart (10:9)
 - D. In Christ (3:22, 26)
 - E. Produced by hearing the Word (10:17)
 - F. Produces obedience (1:5, 6:17, 16:26)
 - G. Results in justification (5:1)
2. REPENTANCE (2:4)
 - A. Produced by the Love of God (2:4)
 - B. Encourages a changed life (6:12)
3. CONFESSION (10:9-10)
 - A. Of Christ (10:9-10)
 - B. With the mouth (10:10)
4. BAPTISM (6:1-11)
 - A. An immersion into Jesus' death, where Jesus' blood was shed (6:3)
 - B. A burial (6:4)
 - C. Symbolic of Christ's death, burial and resurrection (6:1-4)
 - D. The "act" based on faith and repentance in which we commit ourselves to live for God (6:6, 9, 11)
5. FAITHFULNESS (12:1-2)

CONCLUSION: Biblical faith calls for action. What do you need to do?

FAITH

Romans 10:9-10

⁹That if you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved.

Romans 4:13

It was not through law that Abraham and his offspring received the promise that he would be heir of the world, but through the righteousness that comes by faith.

Romans 4:20

Yet he did not waver through unbelief regarding the promise of God, but was strengthened in his faith and gave glory to God

Romans 10:9 (see above)

Romans 3:22, 26

²²This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference

²⁶he did it to demonstrate his justice at the present time, so as to be just and the one who justifies those who have faith in Jesus.

Romans 10:17

Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word of Christ.

Romans 1:5, 6:17, 16:26

⁵Through him and for his name's sake, we received grace and apostleship to call people from among all the Gentiles to the obedience that comes from faith.

¹⁷But thanks be to God that, though you used to be slaves to sin, you wholeheartedly obeyed the form of teaching to which you were entrusted.

²⁶but now revealed and made known through the prophetic writings by the command of the eternal God, so that all nations might believe and obey him—

Romans 5:1

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ

REPENTANCE

Romans 2:4

Or do you show contempt for the riches of his kindness, tolerance and patience, not realizing that God's kindness leads you toward repentance?

Romans 6:12

Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its evil desires.

CONFESSION

Romans 10:9-10 (see above)

BAPTISM

Romans 6:1-11

¹What shall we say, then? Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase?

²By no means! We died to sin; how can we live in it any longer? ³Or don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. ⁵If we have been united with him like this in his death, we will certainly also be united with him in his resurrection. ⁶For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin— ⁷because anyone who has died has been freed from sin. ⁸Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹For we know that since Christ was raised from the dead, he cannot die again; death no longer has mastery over him. ¹⁰The death he died, he died to sin once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. ¹¹In the same way, count yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus.

FAITHFULNESS

Romans 12:1-2

¹Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship.

²Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.