RESURRECTION

and

THE GOSPEL

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Two Questions:

- 1. What should we communicate to those to whom we witness?
- 2. Is it necessary to believe in the resurrection to be justified?

"Gospel" has a broad use and a narrow use.

- Broad use: salvation and the spiritual life.
- Narrow use: what we should do to be justified.

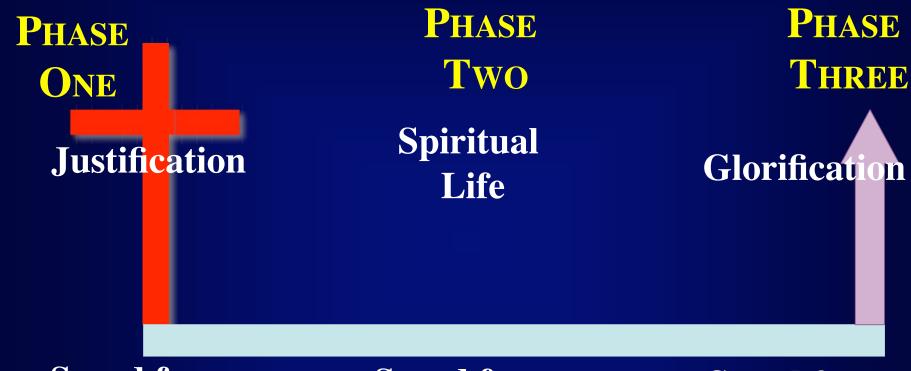
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ιστημι; histēmi,
Perf, Act, Ind; 2P,
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Emphasis on
Present reality from a completed past action.

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THREE STAGES OF SALVATION



Saved from Penalty of Sin

Saved from Power of Sin

Saved from Presence of Sin

"you were saved"

"you are being saved"

"you will be saved"

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• 1 Cor. 15:2 Corrected:

"By which also you are being saved [growing spiritually], if [1st] you hold fast the good news which I proclaimed [evangelized], unless you believed to no purpose,"

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Four Equal Parts:

that Christ died for our sins and that He was buried For I delivered and that He was raised on the to you third day and that He appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve.

Preaching the gospel is telling something about Christ and His finished work for them which they are to believe. This is the simplest test to be applied to all soul-saving appeals. The Gospel has not been preached until a personal message concerning a crucified and living Savior has been presented and in a form which calls for the response of a personal faith.

(L. S. Chafer, Salvation, 101)

What We Believe to be Saved:

x = understanding of some problem

y = solution to the problem

We believe that Christ solved problem *x* at the cross, so that we now have solution *y*.

Question We Are Addressing:

Is there a clear statement in Scripture that one must believe in not only the death of Christ, but also have a clear, conscious belief in the resurrection as well?

Thus, Faith in the death of Christ

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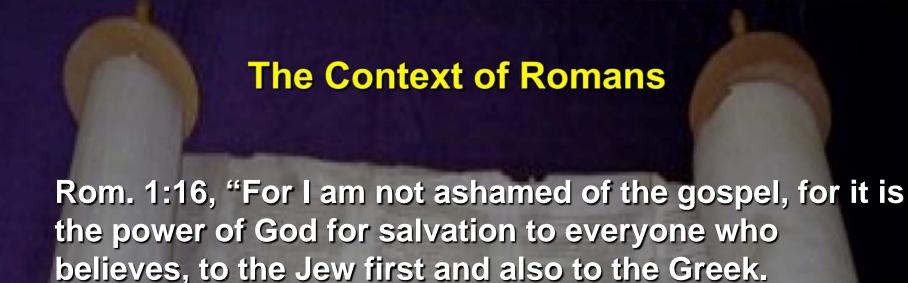
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Six Questions:

- 1. How does Rom. 10:9–10 fit in the context of Rom. 9–11?
- 2. How does this fit into the context of *Romans*?
- 3. What is the immediate context of Rom. 10:9–10?
- 4. What does he mean by "confess with your mouth?" in v. 9?
- 5. What does he mean by "saved" and "salvation?"
- 6. What does he mean by "righteousness" in v. 10?



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Rom. 1:18, "For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men who suppress the truth in unrighteousness,"

- 1:18–5:21 he relates Israel to the righteousness of God and justification (2:9–10, 17, 28–29; 3:1, 9, 29),
- 6:1–8:17 he relates Israel to the righteousness of God and sanctification through the contrast of grace and law,
- 8:18-39 he relates Israel to the righteousness of God and glorification,
- 9:1–11:36 he relates Israel to the righteousness of God and its vindication,
- 12:1–16:27 he relates Israel to the righteousness of God and its practical application.

Romans 9 demonstrates the righteousness of God in His rejection of national Israel.

Chapter 10 demonstrates that that rejection is based on Israel's corporate neglect of the revelation given to them.

Chapter 11 then answers the question, "has God cast away His people?" The answer is no, He still has a plan for national, ethnic Israel.