

NEWCOMERS CLASS #4

PART 1 – ALL HAVE SINNED AND COME SHORT OF THE GLORY OF GOD AND ARE IN NEED OF SALVATION

PART 2 – SALVATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED THROUGH JESUS CHRIST FOR ALL MEN

I. ALL HAVE SINNED AND COME SHORT OF THE GLORY OF GOD AND ARE IN NEED OF SALVATION.

A. The Scriptural Fact of Man's Fall

1. Man is not basically good or bad but has a sinful nature that separates him from God. Romans 3:23, 5:12, 19; I Timothy 2:14; cf Genesis 3:6
2. All have sinned and come short of the glory of God. Adam introduced us to sin by his disobedience to the instructions of God.

B. The Result of Man's Fall

1. Man experienced **shame**, **fear**, and **blame** for the first time...”they covered themselves.”
2. God brought judgment on the serpent, the woman, the man, and the ground as the result of Adam's sin. Genesis 3:14-19
3. Sin causes **separation**. It tears up relationships with God, with your spouse, with your family and your friends. Adam's wife became Eve as a result of sin. Genesis 3:22-24
4. Sin brought us death.
 - a. **Physical** death – I Corinthians 15:21-22; Roman 8:10-11; they could not eat of the tree of life-separation of soul and spirit from the body.
 - b. **Spiritual** death – Luke 16:22-23; Ephesians 2:1; I Timothy 5:6; James 5:20
 - c. Soul and spirit **separated** from God – James 3:14
 - d. **Eternal** death – Matthew 10:28; Revelation 20:14
5. God has no sin in Him therefore; He cannot be in **relationship** to sin. God is light I John 1:5. God is perfect, just, and right – Deuteronomy 32:4. There is no unrighteousness in God. Palm 92:15
6. God **hates** sin. The wrath of God will deal with all unrighteousness. Deuteronomy 25:16; Proverb 6:16-19; Luke 16:15

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2. God's law **discovers** sin – Romans 3:20, 7:7; Galatians 3:10; James 2:10
3. Man's confession of who he is.
 - a. Isaiah says he is **undone** – Isaiah 6:5
 - b. The Psalmist says man is but a **worm** –Psalm 22:6
 - c. Luke says we are **unworthy** and sinful –Luke 15:19, 5:8
 - d. Paul says we are **carnal** – Roman 7:14
 - e. Job says we are **vile** – Job 40:4

Reference: All men are sinners – Roman 3:9-10, 22-23; Isaiah 53:6; Ephesians 2:3; Psalm 14; Roman 3:23

PART 2 – SALVATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED THROUGH JESUS CHRIST FOR ALL MEN

I. SALVATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED THROUGH JESUS CHRIST. John 3:16

A. The chief motivation for our salvation came from God.

1. God willed to love man and thus decided to send Jesus to die for us. Notice that the motivation for salvation did not come out of emotion but out of God's will. Love is not a feeling, it is a decision.

B. Jesus let's us know that He is the son of God.

1. He is the only sacrifice holy enough to satisfy the righteousness and judgment of God.

C. Our position in Christ II Corinthians 5:17

1. From a biblical perspective, if you are in Christ you are a **NEW** creation. The old man should be diminishing day by day.
2. In Christ we have been given the ministry of reconciliation. Reconciliation is the bringing together of two opposing forces. God was **reaching** out to man and man to God but because of the barrier of **sin**, the two could not meet. Christ Jesus acts as the bridge across that barrier.

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3. His name, JESUS, speaks of His purpose and His destiny. Yeshua means Jehovah is salvation.

II. JESUS IS THE ONLY WAY TO SALVATION

A. Salvation is complete in Christ.

1. Jesus makes Himself a pivotal point in history. He says He is THE way not A way. John 14:6
2. Truth is no longer a philosophy; it becomes a person – Jesus.
3. The essentials for a savior are found in Jesus Christ.
 - a. His deity – Hebrews 1:8
 - b. His humanity – Galatians 4:4
 - c. His sinlessness – I Peter 2:22
 - d. The union of divinity and humanity – Romans 1:3-4

B. God wants the whole world to know Jesus. Romans 10:5

1. You will be judged according to what you have heard.
2. The early disciples preached to the entire known world. Each generation has a responsibility to see that their generation hears the gospel.

Additional Scriptures: Acts 16:30-31; I Corinthians 15:3-4; II Corinthians 5:17, 9:15; Ephesians 2:5; I Timothy 1:15; Hebrews 7:25; I Peter 1:23; Acts 4:5-12