

## What MUST I DO to be Saved?

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ow do we persuade an individual that they are in grave danger, when there is no apparent evidence? How do we convince the lost to travel down the "straight" and "narrow" way?

For one hundred and twenty years, Noah preached to the people of his day while preparing the Ark. But the sawing of wood and the sound of every nail fell on deaf ears and blinded minds.

Today, evil men and seducers are ever increasing, just as they did before Noah. Being drunk with pleasures, men have stopped their ears to the truth.

"But they have not all OBEYED the gospel. For Esaias saith, Lord, who hath BELIEVED our report? So then FAITH cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. But I say, Have they not heard? Yes verily, their SOUND went into all the earth, and their WORDS unto the ends of the world" (Romans 10:16-18).

The missing ingredient in these last days is **FAITH**, just as it was in Noah's day.

"...when the Son of man cometh, shall he find **FAITH** on the earth?" (Luke 18:8).

The answer is "<u>NO</u>." "*FAITH* cometh by hearing...the Word of God" and if Satan could find a way to <u>STOP</u> man from "hearing the Word," he would succeed.

The Devil, in his hatred toward God, is increasing his attack on the Word of God, "...because he KNOWETH that he hath but a SHORT TIME" (Rev. 12:12).

A certain jailer, who heard the Word of God from his prisoners Paul and Silas, asked them this question:

"Sirs, what MUST I DO to be SAVED? And they said, BELIEVE ON the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house" (Acts 16:30-31).

Were they right? Or should they have told him to keep the ten commandments, or speak in tongues,

or seek a second work of Grace, or be baptized in water, or keep the seven sacraments, or...etc?

Have no confidence in man, for God has only **ONE** *straight and narrow* **WAY** to salvation:

"Then said they unto him, What shall we <u>DO</u>, that we might <u>WORK</u> the <u>WORKS</u> of God? Jesus answered and said unto them, This is the <u>WORK</u> of God, that ye <u>BE-LIEVE ON</u> him whom he hath sent" (John 6:28-29).

Paul, Silas, and Jesus responded with the same message: "Believe ON the Lord Jesus Christ." It's not enough to believe IN Jesus; we must believe ON him, just like an airplane.

You believe <a href="#">IN</a> the pilot's ability to fly the plane, and the mechanics abilities to ensure the plane's safety. But until you get <a href="#">ON</a> the plane, you do not demonstrate your "<a href="#">faith</a>" in the crew of the aircraft.

Those who wrote <u>The New International Version</u> to make the bible easier to understand replaced the "<u>ON</u>" in both of these verses with "<u>IN</u>," subtly changing the truth of God into a lie (Romans 1:25).

Remember, "...no lie is of the <u>TRUTH</u>" (1 John 1:6), therefore, "...let God be <u>TRUE</u>" (Romans 3:4).

"This is the stone (Jesus) which was set at nought of you builders (religious leaders), which is become the head of the corner. Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is NONE OTHER NAME under heaven given among men, whereby we MUST be saved" (Acts 4:11-12).



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Amos 8:11 "Behold, the days come, saith the Lord God, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the Lord:"