

2020 Summer Truth Pursuit
God's Complete Salvation

Message 7

**God's Complete Salvation Having Two Aspects—
The Judicial Aspect and the Organic Aspect**

Scripture Reading: Rom. 1:17; 3:21–26; 1 Pet. 2:24; Eph. 1:7; 1 John 1:7; Rom. 5:10; 1 Cor. 1:2; Heb. 13:12; Acts 11:18; Rom. 5:17b, 18b, 21b; John 3:6b; 1 Pet. 1:23; John 10:10b–11, 14, 16; Eph. 4:23; Rom. 12:2; 2 Cor. 3:18; Eph. 4:16; 1 Pet. 2:5; Rom. 8:29–30

- I. Because of man's fall, he has sinned against God and has received the satanic life into him; therefore, man not only is under God's judgment (the objective problem), but also has a corrupted sinful nature (the subjective problem); hence he has no way to accomplish God's eternal purpose.**
- II. Therefore God's complete salvation has two aspects, judicial and organic, which not only solve the two major problems for man, but also enable man to accomplish God's eternal purpose.**
- III. The judicial aspect of God's salvation**

- A. God Himself came to be a man—the God-man, Jesus Christ, died on the cross for sinners, satisfied all the requirements of God's righteousness, holiness and glory, and accomplished an eternal redemption—Rom. 1:17a; 3:21–26; 1 Pet. 2:24.

Romans 1:17a For the righteousness of God is revealed in it....

Romans 3:21–26 But now, apart from the law, the righteousness of God has been manifested, witness being borne to it by the Law and the Prophets; 22 Even the righteousness of God through the faith of Jesus Christ to all those who believe, for there is no distinction; 23 For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, 24 Being justified freely by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus; 25 Whom God set forth as a propitiation place through faith in His blood, for the demonstrating of His righteousness, in that in His forbearance God passed over the sins that had previously occurred, 26 With a view to the demonstrating of His righteousness in the present time, so that He might be righteous and the One who justifies him who is of the faith of Jesus.

1 Peter 2:24 Who Himself bore up our sins in His body on the tree, in order that we, having died to sins, might live to righteousness; by whose bruise you were healed.

- B. The procedure of God's salvation.

- C. For sinners to be

1. Forgiven before God—Eph. 1:7

Ephesians 1:7 In whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of offenses, according to the riches of His grace.

2. Cleansed of sins—1 John 1:7

1 John 1:7 But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from every sin.

3. Justified—Rom. 3:24–25

Romans 3:24–25 Being justified freely by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus; 25 Whom God set forth as a propitiation place through faith in His blood, for the demonstrating of His righteousness, in that in His forbearance God passed over the sins that had previously occurred.

4. Reconciled to God—Rom. 5:10a

Romans 5:10a For if we, being enemies, were reconciled to God through the death of His Son....

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5. Sanctified unto God positionally—1 Cor. 1:2; Heb. 13:12

1 Cor. 1:2 To the church of God which is in Corinth, to those who have been sanctified in Christ Jesus, the called saints, with all those who call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ in every place, who is theirs and ours.

Hebrews 13:12 Therefore also Jesus, that He might sanctify the people through His own blood, suffered outside the gate.

D. These five items qualify and position man to enter into the grace of God (Rom. 5:1–2) and enjoy God's salvation in its organic aspect

IV. The organic aspect of God's salvation

A. Through the life of God—Rom. 1:17b; Acts 11:18; Rom. 5:10b, 17b, 18b, 21b.

Romans 1:17b ...As it is written, "But the righteous shall have life and live by faith."

Acts 11:18 And when they heard these things, they became silent and glorified God, saying, Then to the Gentiles also God has given repentance unto life.

Romans 5:10b ...Much more we will be saved in His life, having been reconciled,

Romans 5:17b ...Much more those who receive the abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ.

Romans 5:18b ...So also it was through one righteous act unto justification of life to all men.

Romans 5:21b ...So also grace might reign through righteousness unto eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

B. The goal of God's salvation.

C. Through His divine life in order to accomplish the entire purpose that God wants to achieve in the believers in His economy.

D. For the believers to be

1. Regenerated—John 3:6b; 1 Pet. 1:23.

John 3:6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

1 Peter 1:23 Having been regenerated not of corruptible seed but of incorruptible, through the living and abiding word of God.

2. Shepherded—John 10:10b–11, 14, 16.

John 10:10–11 The thief does not come except to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life and may have it abundantly. 11 I am the good Shepherd; the good Shepherd lays down His life for the sheep.

John 10:14 I am the good Shepherd, and I know My own, and My own know Me.

John 10:16 And I have other sheep, which are not of this fold; I must lead them also, and they shall hear My voice, and there shall be one flock, one Shepherd.

3. Sanctified dispositionally—Rom. 15:16; 6:22; 1 Thes. 5:23.

4. Renewed—Eph. 4:23.

Ephesians 4:23 And that you be renewed in the spirit of your mind.

5. Transformed—Rom. 12:2; 2 Cor. 3:18.

Romans 12:2 And do not be fashioned according to this age, but be transformed by the renewing of the mind that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and well pleasing and perfect.

2 Corinthians 3:18 But we all with unveiled face, beholding and reflecting like a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, even as from the Lord Spirit.

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6. Built up—Eph. 4:16; 1 Pet. 2:5.

Ephesians 4:16 Out from whom all the Body, being joined together and being knit together through every joint of the rich supply and through the operation in the measure of each one part, causes the growth of the Body unto the building up of itself in love.

1 Peter 2:5 You yourselves also, as living stones, are being built up as a spiritual house into a holy priesthood to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

7. Conformed—Rom. 8:29.

Romans 8:29 Because those whom He foreknew, He also predestinated to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the Firstborn among many brothers.

8. Glorified—Rom. 8:30.

Romans 8:30 And those whom He predestinated, these He also called; and those whom He called, these He also justified; and those whom He justified, these He also glorified.

E. These eight items issue in the church of God to constitute the Body of Christ which ultimately consummates in the New Jerusalem, which is the ultimate goal of God's eternal economy, that is, an organism constituted with the processed Triune God and His regenerated, sanctified, transformed and glorified elect joined and mingled as one to be the enlargement and expression of God in eternity.