

## Question of Salvation

### God's Gift to Us:

After the fall of Adam, man has fallen under the "Law" with the requirements to perform various types of sacrifices to atone for the sin and other short-comings in our lives. In John 3:16, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life." Because of this sacrifice we can accept Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior and not be punished under the "Law". Jesus Christ was the sacrifice that covers all of our sins.

### How Can I Receive This Gift?

Unlike most other gifts and rewards that we have in life, this gift is free of charge. All you have to do is ask and receive. "Here I am", says Jesus, "I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I WILL COME IN and eat with him and he with Me." (Revelation 3:20) Jesus wants a real and personal relationship with you. This was His plan from creation.

### Steps to Salvation

Admit that you are a sinner. Admit your sinfulness, separation and lostness.

Be willing to turn from your sins.

Believe that Jesus died for you and rose from the dead.

Through prayer, pray from the heart, asking Jesus to come in. Ask Him to forgive you and wash away your sins with His sacrificial Blood. Invite Him, through the Holy Spirit to come in and control your life. Accept Him as your Lord and Savior.

### How to Pray for Salvation?

Dear Lord Jesus, I know that I am a sinner and I need your forgiveness. I believe that you died for my sins. I want to turn away from my sins and live a new life. I invite you into my heart and my life. I want to trust and follow you as my Lord and Savior. Amen!

If you have prayed this prayer, your salvation is assured and the angels in heaven rejoice. The Bible says, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." (Romans 10:13)

### What Next?

This is the beginning of your rebirth in Jesus Christ. You are now part of God's family. The Holy Spirit dwells in you. To deepen this personal relationship that you have with the Lord, you should:

- Let us know. Contact the church at (803) 648-3194 or email [redsbranch.baptistchurch@aol.com](mailto:redsbranch.baptistchurch@aol.com) to have someone setup an appointment to visit with you.
- Talk to God everyday in prayer.
- Read your Bible every day. The study of the Word is an instrumental tool that the Holy Spirit uses to convict you of sins present in your life.
- Worship and fellowship with other Christians in a church that loves the Lord and studies and abides by His Word.
- Demonstrate your new life by your love, service and concern for others.
- Spread the Word to others using your words from your mouth and through the new life that you live.