

# WHY JESUS IS THE ONLY SAVIOUR

## A LOOK AT WHY NONE ELSE CAN SAVE

*"Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life:  
no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."*

~ John 14:6

### 1. Seeking Salvation

- a. Last week we proved all under sin – Romans 3:9-10
- b. Why did God leave us here with this problem? To seek the Lord to save - Acts 17:27
- c. There is none that seeks after God (to save) – Rom 3:11
- d. We explain away "sin", and seek salvation elsewhere (politics, gurus, self-help)
- e. We try to correct the problem (sin) without God – Rom 1:22-23

### 2. We Cannot Save Ourselves

- a. God is where life, love, peace, joy, goodness, justice, truth is to be found.
- b. In ourselves, there is death, hate, anger, misery, malice, deceit, and ignorance.
- c. People talk of personal redemption, finding yourself, inner peace, but w/o hope.
- d. Sin is not just a problem for us; it is a problem for others, it is against God – Ps 51:4
- e. Sin is why we cannot save ourselves. All need God to save. Isa 12:2, 43:11, 45:22
- f. None else can save you (pastor, philosophers, rich, rulers, love from another sinner)

### 3. Requirements for Salvation

- a. How to be saved on the day of God's judgment:
    - i. 1) avoid the avenger – but he is God, and you cannot escape him. Heb 9:27
    - ii. 2) apologize and plead for mercy – but does not satisfy justice. It must be paid.
    - iii. 3) take the consequences – but sin is not rectified by the death of the sinner.
    - iv. 4) satisfy the avenger – this requires an atonement, reconciliation with God.
  - b. The satisfaction must be without sin, be able to acquit of sin – else it does not atone.
  - c. The satisfaction must satisfy the righteous judgment against sin – death.
  - d. The satisfaction must be for all – else it is insufficient to save.
  - e. The satisfaction must be forever – else it is only a reprieve, temporary solution.
  - f. The satisfaction must promise life after death – else there is no hope.
  - g. The sufficient work must change men from the inside out – else the problem persists.
  - h. The provider must represent man and be accepted by God – else reconciliation fails.
  - i. The provider must know the problem without being a part of it – else it comes short.
  - j. The provider must be of God, since there is none good but him to save.
- Conclusion: There is no atonement we can provide, sinners cannot 'make good' – Isa 64:5-7
- k. The Bible declares the only Saviour is Jesus Christ – 1 Tim 2:3-7, John 14:6, Acts 4:12

### 4. Jesus, the Only Saviour

- a. Jesus was without sin, and died an innocent death – Heb 4:15, Isa 53:4-6, 2 Cor 5:21
  - i. None else has died only because of taking on the sins of others.
- b. He took the righteous judgment against sin – Rom 6:23, Heb 2:14, Gal 3:13
  - i. None else takes this judgment without deserving it.

- c. He is the propitiation for the sins of the whole world - 1 John 2:2, Heb 2:9
  - i. None else can satisfy for another's sins. He died for us. 1 Cor 15:3-4
- d. His sacrifice for sins is effective for ever – Heb 10:12-14
  - i. None else can perform a work sufficient for ever, without being eternal.
- e. Jesus rose from the dead, to provide the hope of eternal life to all – Rom 4:25, 6:23
  - i. None else has risen from the dead with the power of eternal life.
- f. Jesus was made a quickening spirit, giving salvation through faith – 1 Cor 15:45
  - i. None else is made a quickening spirit, to dwell in our heart by faith. Eph 3:17
- g. Jesus was a man accepted by God – Acts 2:22-24, 2 Cor 5:21, Matt 1:18-25
  - i. None else can be the mediator between God and man – being both.
- h. Jesus was God in the flesh, sent from heaven – John 3:1, 1Tim 3:16, Mt 19:17, Col 2:9
  - i. None else has ever held up to the claim of being God visiting us.
- i. Jesus did everything necessary to save sinners. He did it all – Rom 4:5
  - i. None else even came close to doing what was necessary. We can't. Christ did.
- j. Jesus perfectly manifests the judgment, wisdom, grace, love of God – Rom 5:8
  - i. There is none else that can save, except the Lord Jesus Christ.
- k. He is not just a saviour, but the only Saviour, and yours when you believe - 2Ti 1:9-11