

The ABCs of Salvation

A

All people are sinners.

Romans 3:23

Everyone has sinned. No one measures up to God's glory.

B

The **Bible** is God's word of love and salvation.

John 20:31

But these are written down so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. If you believe this, you will have life because you belong to him.

C

The **condition** of sinners is serious.

2 Thessalonians 2:12

Many will not believe the truth. They will take pleasure in evil. They will be judged.

D

Christ **died** to save sinners.

Romans 5:8

While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

E

Everyone who believes will have **eternal** life.

John 3:16

Anyone who believes in [Jesus] will not die but will have eternal life.

F

You are saved through **faith**.

Romans 1:17

The good news shows how God makes people right with himself. From beginning to end, becoming right with God depends on a person's faith.

G

Good works will not save you.

Ephesians 2:8-9

God's grace has saved you because of your faith in Christ. Your salvation doesn't come from anything you do. It is God's gift. It is not based on anything you have done.

H

Hell and punishment are waiting for those who don't believe.

2 Thessalonians 1:8-9

He will punish those who don't know God. He will punish those who don't obey the good news about our Lord Jesus. They will be destroyed forever. They will be shut out of heaven. They will never see the glory of the Lord's power.

I

Nothing is **impossible** for God.

Luke 1:37

Nothing is impossible with God.

J

There is **joy** in heaven over one sinner who repents.

Luke 15:10

There is joy in heaven over one sinner who turns away from sin.

K

If you trust God, he will **keep** you from sin.

Jude 24

Give praise to the One who is able to keep you from falling into sin.

L

God **loves** sinners and wants to save them.

John 3:16

God loved the world so much that he gave his one and only Son. Anyone who believes in him will not die but will have eternal life.

M

God has **mercy** on unbelievers.

Romans 11:32

God has found everyone guilty of not obeying him. So now he can have mercy on everyone.

N

Jesus is the only **name** by which you can be saved.

Acts 4:12

You can't be saved by believing in anyone else. God has given us no other name under heaven that will save us.

O

You show God you love him by **obeying** his commandments.

1 John 5:3

Here is what it means to love God. It means that we obey his commands. And his commands are not hard to obey.

P

God is **patient** with unbelievers.

2 Peter 3:9

The Lord is not slow to keep his promise. He is not slow in the way some people understand it. He is patient with you. He doesn't want anyone to be destroyed. Instead, he wants all people to turn away from their sins.

Q

Those who don't believe should **quickly** decide to follow Jesus.

2 Corinthians 6:2

I tell you, now is the time God shows his favor. Now is the day he saves.

R

Christians have a reason to **rejoice**.

Luke 10:20

Be glad that your names are written in heaven.

S

The Bible, the **Scriptures**, can teach you how to be saved.

2 Timothy 3:15

You have known the Holy Scriptures ever since you were a little child. They are able to teach you how to be saved by believing in Christ Jesus.

T

You should give **thanks** to God for the wonderful gift of salvation.

2 Corinthians 9:15

Let us give thanks to God for his gift. It is so great that no one can tell how wonderful it really is!

U

The Holy Spirit helps us **understand** God's Word.

1 Corinthians 2:12

We have not received the spirit of the world. We have received the Spirit who is from God. The Spirit helps us understand what God has freely given us.

V

Jesus has gained **victory** over death for you.

1 Corinthians 15:54

What does not last will be dressed with what lasts forever. What dies will be dressed with what does not die. Then what is written will come true. It says, "Death has been swallowed up. It has lost the battle."

W

Whoever calls on Jesus will be saved.

Acts 2:21

Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

Y

God loves **you** so much he calls you his child.

1 John 3:1

How great is the love the Father has given us so freely! Now we can be called children of God. And that's what we really are!