

Introduction to Soteriology

“soteriology” — soterios/logos: the study of salvation.

The Question that must be asked:

Before we can hope to address other questions in soteriology, we must ask the question, “What must we be saved from?” How one is to be saved depends upon a right understanding of that from which we are to be saved.

We must be saved from:

1) sin

Acts 3:19, 26

Acts 5:31

Acts 10:43

Acts 13:38

Acts 26:18

2) this present evil age

Galatians 1:4

1 John 5:19

Philippians 2:15

3) Satan

2 Timothy 2:26

Hebrews 2:14

James 4:7

1 Peter 5:8

1 John 3:8

1 John 5:5

2Cor 4:3-4

Notice how Acts 26:17-18 presents all three of the above.

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4) self

Luke 11:13

Romans 1:29-2:1

Matthew 15:19

Philippians 3:4-11

5) the consequences of sin

Isaiah 59:2, 9-15

John 8:34

6) death

Hebrews 2:15

Revelation 20:6

Matthew 5:22

Matthew 23:33

7) our present un-glorified condition

Philippians 3:20-21

1 Corinthians 15:50, 53

8) God Himself

Romans 5:9

1 Corinthians 3:15

1 Corinthians 5:5

1 Thessalonians 5:9

1 Thessalonians 1:10

Ro 2:2-3, 5

Luke 12:49