

Be Strong in the Lord - with Dave Weber

God's Plan of Salvation – Sept 2024

The Gospel of Salvation

- **By Grace Alone**
- **Through Faith Alone**
- **In Christ Alone**

Why am I here? Where am I going?

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Why am I here? Where am I going?

Do you have a **spiritual belief system**?

Who is **Jesus** to you?

Is there a **heaven** and a **hell**?

Are you going to heaven or hell?

Why should God let you in His heaven?

Would you like to know with certainty whether what you believe is **true**?

God's Purposes: God's Plans SHALL happen

Isaiah 46:9-10 Remember the former things of old: for **I am God, and there is none else; I am God, and there is none like me,**
Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying **“My counsel shall stand, and I will do all My pleasure”**

God's Purpose for mankind

Eph 1:4 According as He has **chosen us in Him before the foundation of the world,** that we should be **holy and without blame** before Him in love

Eph. 1:9 Having made known unto us **the mystery of His will,** according to **His good pleasure** which He has purposed in Himself

God's Purpose for our eternity

Eph 1:10 That in the dispensation of the fullness of times **He might gather together in one all things in Christ**, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in Him

Matthew 23:37 O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, *you* that kill the prophets, and stone them which are sent unto you, **how often would I have gathered your children together, even as a hen gathers her chickens under *her* wings, and **you would not!****

Man's Problem: inherited sinful nature

Gen 2:16-17 And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat: But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, **you shall not eat of it: for in the day that you eat thereof you shall surely die**

Rom 3:23 **For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God**

Man's Problem – sin earns judgement

Rom 6:23 For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Matt 16:26 For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and **lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?**

Psalms 51:9 Hide Your face from my sins, and **blot out all my iniquities**

Man's Problem: our personal sins

Isaiah 59:2 But your sins have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid His face from you, that He will not hear.

Eze 18:20 The soul that sins, it shall die...

God's Solution – Substitutionary Sacrifice

Gen 3:15 And I will put hatred between you and the woman, and between your seed and **her seed**; it **shall bruise your head**, and you shall bruise His heel

Daniel 9:26 And after sixty and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for Himself:

John 3:16 For God so loved the world, that **He gave his only begotten Son**, that whosoever believes in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

God's Solution – God sacrifices His Son

Isaiah 53:4 Surely He has borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we esteem Him stricken, **smitten of God**, and afflicted.

Isaiah 53:5 But He was **wounded for our transgressions**, He was **bruised for our iniquities**: the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; and **by His stripes** we are healed.

God's Solution – Our Judgement Laid on Jesus

Isaiah 53:6 All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.

Isaiah 53:7 He was oppressed, and He was afflicted, yet He opened not His mouth: **He is brought as a lamb to the slaughter**, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so He opened not His mouth.

God's Solution — Jesus alone qualified to be the Messiah

Isaiah 53:8 He was taken from **prison** and from judgement: and who shall declare His generation? For **He was cut off** out of the land of the living: **for the transgression of My people was He stricken.**

Isaiah 53:9 And He made **His grave with the wicked,** and **with the rich in His death;** because He had done no violence, neither was deceit in His mouth.

God's Solution – Father God crucified Christ

Isaiah 53:10 Yet it pleased the Lord to bruise Him; He has put Him to grief: when You shall make His soul an offering for sin, He shall see His seed, He shall prolong his days, and the pleasure of the Lord shall prosper in His hand.

Isaiah 53:11 He shall see the travail of His soul, and shall be satisfied: by His knowledge shall My righteous Servant justify many; for He shall bear their iniquities.

2 Cor 5:21 For He has made Him to be sin for us, who knew no sin, that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him.

God's Solution: God's Self Sacrificial Love

Heb 12:2 Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

God's Solution: Jesus paid the price

Isaiah 53:12 Therefore will I divide Him a portion with the great, and He shall divide the spoil with the strong; **because He has poured out His soul unto death:** and He was **numbered with** the transgressors; and He **bore the sin** of many, and **made intercession** for the transgressors.

God's Solution: Justice Satisfied

2 Cor 5:21 For He has **made Him to be sin for us, who knew no sin**; that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him

Col 2:14 **Blotting out the handwriting of the ordinances** that were against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way **nailing it to the cross**

John 19:30 When **Jesus** therefore had received the vinegar, he **said, It is finished**; and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost.

God's Solution: from spiritual death to life

1 Tim 2:5 For there is one God, and **one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus**

Eph 2:1 And **you** has He quickened, who were dead in **trespasses and sins**

Eph 2:5-7 Even **when we were dead in sins**, has quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;) And has raised us up together, and **made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus**: That in the ages to come He might shew the exceeding riches of his grace in His kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.

God's Solution: Forgiveness & Love

Eph 3:17-19 That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all saints what is the **breadth, and length, and depth, and height; and to know the love of Christ**, which passes knowledge, that you might be filled with all the fullness of God.

2 John 1:3 Grace be with you, mercy, and peace, from God the Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of the Father, **in truth and love**

Our Response: Repent, Believe, Obey

Rom 10:9 That if you shall **confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus**, and shall **believe in your heart** that God hath raised Him from the dead, **you shall be saved.**

1 John 1:9 If we **confess our sins**, He is faithful and just to **forgive us our sins**, and to cleanse us from **all unrighteousness.**

Our Response: Born Again Life in Christ

John 3:3 Jesus answered...Except a man be **born again**, he cannot see the kingdom of God

John 3:5 Except a man be **born of water AND of the spirit**, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.

Col 3:10 And have put on the **new man**, which is **renewed in knowledge** after the image of Him that created him

1 Thes 4:3 For this is the will of God, even your **sanctification** (life is set apart in walk & talk)

1 Thes 2:12 That ye would **walk worthy** of God, who has called you unto his kingdom and glory

Our New Life in Christ: Holy Living

Eph 1:3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has **bles**sed **us** with **all** **spiritual** **bles**sings **in** **the** **heavenlies** in **Christ**:

Eph 1:4 According as He has chosen us in Him before the foundation of the world, **that we should** **be** **holy** and **without** **blame** **before** **Him** in love.

Eph 1:5 Having predestinated us unto the **adoption** **of** **children** **by** **Jesus** **Christ** **to** **Himself**, according to the good pleasure of His will

Our Christian Walk in Christ

Psalms 1:1-3 Blessed is the man that **walks not** in the counsel of the ungodly, **nor stands** in the way of sinners, **nor sits** in the seat of the scornful.

But **his delight** is in the law of the Lord; and in His law does he **meditate** day and night.

And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that **brings forth his fruit** in his season; his **leaf** also shall not wither; and whatsoever he does shall prosper.

Our Eternity: Glorified in Christ

Phil 3:20-21 For **our conversation is in heaven**; from where also we look for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ: who **shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body**, according to the working whereby He is able even to subdue all things unto Himself

Rev. 3: 5 He that overcomes, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and **I will not blot out his name out of the book of life**, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels.

Our Eternity: God rewards His Believers

Malachai 3:16-17 Then they that **feared** the Lord **spoke** often one to another, and **the Lord** hearkened, and **heard** it, and **a book of remembrance** was written before Him for them that **feared** the Lord and that **thought** upon His name.

And they shall be **mine**, says the Lord of hosts, **in that Day** when I make up my jewels; and I will **spare** them, as a man spares his own son that serves him.

Our Eternity: Recognition, Belonging, Rewards

Matt 10:32-33 Whosoever therefore shall **confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven.** But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven.

Rev 5:11 And I beheld, and I heard the voice of many **angels** round about the throne and the **beasts** and the **elders**: and the number of them was **ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands;**

1 Cor 2:9 But as it is written, **Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither has entered into the heart of man, the things which God has prepared for them that love him**

Our Eternity: Evil judged, Righteousness & Goodness Reign

Rev 21:1-4 And I saw **a new heaven and a new earth**: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.

And I John saw **the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven**, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, **the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself shall be with them, and be their God.**

And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be **no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain**; for the former things are passed away.