

# WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?

AND BROUGHT THEM OUT, AND SAID,  
“SIRS WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?”

--ACTS 16:30--

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# INTRODUCTION

- THE WORLD'S GREATEST QUESTION IS....

- PAUL AND SILAS ENCOUNTER THE MOST IMPORTANT QUESTION OF ALL TIME.

\*WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?\*

\*HAVE YOU EVER BEEN ASKED BY SOMEONE?\*

# BACKGROUND TO ACTS 16

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# LET'S EXAMINE THE QUESTION

“WHAT”- PRONOUN, PROBING FOR INFORMATION

\*IT SUGGESTS THAT A REQUIREMENT IS  
PLACED ON MAN\* JOHN 8:32; 1 JOHN 5:13

“MUST”- IMPERATIVE INDICATING NECESSITY

\*BRO. WAYNE JACKSON- “OBLIGATORY MUST”

\*MUST COMBINES ABILITY WITH OBLIGATION

\*2 CORINTHIANS 5:10

# LET'S EXAMINE THE QUESTION

“I”- PRONOUN, REVEALING THAT SALVATION  
REQUIRES INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBILITY.

\*ROMANS 14:12; HEBREWS 4:13

“DO”- TO BE SAVED, ACTION IS NEEDED.

\*BEING OBEDIENT TO GOD'S WORD

\*PUTTING FAITH INTO PRACTICE

\*MATTHEW 7:21; ACTS 8:36

# LET'S EXAMINE THE QUESTION

"TO BE SAVED"- THIS PHRASE IS THE OBJECT OF THE QUESTION.

\*GREEK EMPHASIZES "RESCUED FROM SIN."

\*ONE IS ONLY SAVED BY JESUS. **ACTS 4:12**

\*I CANNOT SAVE MYSELF, ALONE. **GALATIANS 3:26**

\*ALL NEED TO BE SAVED.

# LET'S COMPARE SIMILAR QUESTIONS

## RICH, YOUNG RULER- MARK 10:17-21

\*HE WAS KNOWLEDGEABLE, GOOD-HEARTED.

\*HE OBSERVED THE COMMANDMENTS OF GOD.

\*MATTHEW 19:17

\*CHRIST LOVED HIM, POINTED HIM TO SPIRITUAL MATURITY.

# LET'S COMPARE SIMILAR QUESTIONS

## JEWS ON PENTECOST- ACTS 2:37-38

\*FOR REMISSION OF SINS = GREEK "EIS"

\*BRO. ROBERT TAYLOR- "FOR MEANS 'IN ORDER TO RECEIVE' NOT BECAUSE."

\*BRO. BURTON COFFMAN- "THE TERMS OF ADMISSION INTO CHRIST'S KINGDOM IS FAITH, REPENTANCE, AND BAPTISM UNTO THE REMISSION OF SIN."

# LET'S COMPARE SIMILAR QUESTIONS

## PHILIPPIAN JAILER- ACTS 16:30-33

\*BELIEVING THAT JESUS IS CHRIST (SAVIOR)  
MEANS THAT ONE WILL BE BAPTIZED INTO  
CHRIST FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.

\*EPHESIANS 1:7; 2:8

# WHAT ABOUT THE DIFFERENT ANSWERS?

\*THERE ARE NO CONTRADICTIONS IN GOD'S WORD!

\*"CONTRADICTIONS" OCCURRED AFTER THE 1<sup>ST</sup>  
CENTURY.

\*THE BIBLE RECORDS RESPONSES THAT WERE  
SUITABLE FOR THE INDIVIDUAL'S SPIRITUAL  
DEVELOPMENT.

# WHAT ABOUT THE DIFFERENT ANSWERS?

\*THE MISUNDERSTANDING OF THE WORD "BELIEF" HAS CAUSED MANY "CONTRADICTIONS."

\*BELIEF IN **ACTS 16:30** MEANS OBEDIENCE TO THE GOSPEL MESSAGE.

\***MARK 16:16** -BELIEF INVOLVES MORE THAN ACCEPTANCE.

\***ACTS 17:11**-BREANS WERE READY, WILLING, SEARCHING, CONSISTENT, AND DEDICATED.

# CONCLUSION

“WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?” IS A QUESTION THAT MUST BE ANSWERED IMMEDIATELY; NO WAITING AND NO DELAY

--MATTHEW 16:16--

# INVITATION

1<sup>ST</sup> LAW OF PARDON      2<sup>ND</sup> LAW OF PARDON

HEAR

BELIEVE

REPENT

CONFESS

BE BAPTIZED

LIVE FAITHFULLY

REPENT

CONFESS SINS

PRAY FORGIVENESS

LIVE FAITHFULLY