

FAITH IN CHRIST; OUR INSTRUMENT TO SALVATION

Ephesians 2:7-10

I. GOD IS GOING TO SHOW US THE RICHES OF HIS GRACE (vv 6-7)

1. Someday I am going to be on exhibit in heaven.
2. Throughout the ages, all the credit will be given to God.

II. *BUT GOD...SAVED US BY HIS GRACE* (vv 8-9)

1. God will raise us to heavenly places in Christ Jesus.
2. If you have put your faith and trust in Jesus Christ, “*You are saved.*” (Phil 1:6; 1 John 5:13)
3. If you are a child of God...you may wander from Him, but He will always make a way back for you.
4. God has given you a fully finished salvation!

-*You can say, “I am saved” ... It is not an “I hope so” salvation!*

III. FAITH IS OUR ONLY INSTRUMENT TO SALVATION

1. Faith is the only element we as sinners bring to this transaction.
2. If you want to trust Christ, you must listen to the word of God.
3. Faith is the *instrument* that brings us to salvation.

-It is the blood of Christ and His sacrifice/merit that saves you.

IV. WE ARE HIS WORKMANSHIP (v 10)

1. The Greek word “workmanship” is “*poiema*” (poem).
2. For what are we created ... for good works!
3. He has told us that right now...in this present day: We are seated in the heavenlies (we are secure in Christ), but while our hearts are seated in the heavenlies...our minds and bodies are to walk in a way on earth that will bring honor and glory to our Savior’s name.