**Second Dimension – Christianity Experienced**

**Segment V – The Golden Chain of Redemption (Concepts 44-53)Progressive Bible Concepts - #44 “Our Great Salvation”**

***The Work of Redemption***

* *“The Order of Salvation”*
* *‘The Ordo Salutis’*
* “The s\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of e\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in God’s p\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of salvation.”

**Our Lost Condition**

* D\_\_\_\_\_\_ in our sins – *“And you were dead in your trespasses and sins”.* Eph 2:1
* Definition – c\_\_\_\_ o\_\_\_\_\_ from the life of God
* Formerly w\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ according to the:
	+ Course of the world
	+ Prince of the power of the air who is now working in the sons of disobedience
* L\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the lust of the flesh
* I\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the desires of the flesh and the mind
* By nature, children of w\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Outward Call**

*“The F\_\_\_\_\_ O\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the G\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_” – “Preach the gospel to all creation” - Mark 16:15*

* Definition - God’s gracious offer of s\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in which He invites lost sinners to accept the salvation that is offered in Christ Jesus.
* Three things involved:
	1. The c\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the Gospel message
	2. An i\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to repent and believe
	3. The p\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of forgiveness and salvation

The “E\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_” Call

**Inward Call**

H\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ R\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the gospel – *“So then, those who r\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ his word were baptized…”* Acts 2:41

* Definition - The external call made e\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ by the Holy Spirit as He b\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ w\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the preaching of the gospel in the hearts of listeners.
* *“Truly, truly I say to you, The hour is coming and now is, when the d\_\_\_\_\_\_ shall hear the voice of the Son of God; and those who hear shall l\_\_\_\_\_\_.” John 5:25*
* *“No one can come to Me, unless the Father who sent me d\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ him…” John 6:44*

The “E\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_” Call

**Regeneration**

“B\_\_\_\_\_\_ A\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”– *“…you must be born again…” John 3:5-8*

* Definition - The work of God by which the principle of divine life is p\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in man, and the governing d\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the soul is made holy.
* This is a work in the spirit and it is therefore never directly perceived by man, but can only be known by its e\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on the human personality. Like the wind in John 3:8.
* It is p\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, not a p\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, whereby we pass from death unto life.
* Man is completely p\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in regeneration, it is the work of God entirely.
* “*He saved us, not on the basis of deeds which we have done in righteousness, but according to His mercy, by the w\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of regeneration and r\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ by the Holy Spirit.” Titus 3:5*

Quote – “Born o\_\_\_\_\_\_ – die t\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Born t\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, die o\_\_\_\_\_\_.”

**Conversion**

“Saved” – “*Whoever shall call upon the Lord shall be saved…”* Rom 10:13, Acts 3:19

* Definition - The work of God whereby He causes the regenerated, in their conscious life, to t\_\_\_\_\_\_ to Him in faith and repentance.
* Conversion is the m\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of regeneration. It is also point action, not a process, and involves man actively.
* **Conversion is not always sharply demarcated as a d\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ event.**
* ***Faith***– p\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ element – ‘belief’ – “The conviction that God is and the confidence that one is secure in their relationship to Him through Jesus Christ” See Heb 11:1
* ***Repentance***– n\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ element – ‘change of mind’ – “The change wrought deeply in the life of a sinner by which he turns away from sin.”
* *“Repentance toward God and faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.”* Acts 20:21

**Justification**

“P\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ R\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_” *– “Having been justified by faith…”* Romans 5:1

* Definition -A l\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ act of God by which He declares the sinner righteous on the basis of the perfect righteousness of Jesus Christ.
* Simultaneous with conversion, it is an instantaneous action that secures our favorable s\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ before God.
* 2 Key Aspects:
	+ Forgiveness of sin, r\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ from all guilt associated with our sinfulness
	+ Imputed righteousness “c\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to our account – *Romans 4:3*
* Benefit – “By justification, we are freed from the PENALTY of sin.”

**Adoption**

R\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ as children into God’s f\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ – *“But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God.”* John1:12

* Definition - God’s gracious act in which He adopts believers and gives them all the r\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of children including the right to an eternal inheritance.
* We received a spirit of A\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to replace the spirit of A\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ between us and our heavenly father.
* *“The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God.” Rom 8:16*

**Sanctification**

C\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ R\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ – “This is the will of God, your sanctification…” *I Thess 4:3*

* Definition - The continuous operation of the Holy Spirit by which He p\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the sinner, r\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ his whole nature in the image of God, and e\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ him to perform good works.
* The process (not point action) is one of p\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, c\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and r\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the life of God in all aspects of our persons.
* Benefit – “Through sanctification, we are freed from the P\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of sin.”

**Perseverance of the Saints**

***God’s p\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of His children till the end*** *– “No one can snatch them out of My Father’s hand…”* John 10:29

* The continuous operation of the Holy Spirit by which the work of grace in the believer is brought to c\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* *“For I am confident of this very thing, that He who began a good work in you will p\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ it until the day of Christ Jesus.”* Phil 1:6

“O\_\_\_\_\_\_ saved, a\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ saved.”

**Glorification**

**Transformation into Divine C\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ – *“…Who will transform the humble state of our body into conformity with the body of His glory… “Phil 3:21***

* Definition – U\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ salvation, the culminating act of redemption, whereby the believer exchanges the perishable for the imperishable, the earthly for the heavenly, the mortal for the immortal, and the natural for the spiritual.
* *“Whom He called, He justified; whom He justified, He glorified.” Rom 8:30b*
* Benefit – “By glorification, we are freed from the P\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of sin.”

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**Conclusion**

* *“How then shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation.” Hebrews 2:3a*
* *“Woe is me if I do not share the good news.” I Cor 9:16*

**Summary – Concept 44**

* God’s plan of salvation is greater in depth and breath than what meets the human eye, even beyond all that we could possibly imagine.

**Next Week – Concept 45**

* The Initial Stirrings of Salvation