

# Rescue

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## The Spirit's Work in Securing our Salvation

### Review

1. The Father orchestrated our salvation from start to finish. (Acts 2:22-24; 32-33)
2. Jesus secured our salvation on the cross while modeling perfect trust in the Father. (1 Peter 2:21-25)

### The Spirit guaranteed Jesus' success in securing our salvation

1. He protected Jesus' holiness at conception.

*Luke 1:35* And the angel answered her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy—the Son of God.

2. He provided unlimited power and absolute accuracy to Jesus in his earthly ministry.

*John 3:34* For he whom God has sent utters the words of God, for he gives the Spirit without measure.

3. He enabled Jesus to sacrifice himself as our substitute.

*Heb. 9:14* how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

4. He took part in raising Jesus from the dead.

*Rom. 1:4* and was declared to be the Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness by his resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord,

### The Spirit came in fullness to God's people based on Jesus' success in securing our salvation

1. The Spirit's coming was promised by the Father.
  - a. Jesus reiterated the Father's promise after his resurrection.

*Acts 1:4* And while staying with them he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, "you heard from me; **5** for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

b. The promise was fulfilled after Jesus's ascension.

*Acts 11:15* As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell on them just as on us at the beginning. **16** And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.'

2. This gift of the Spirit depended on Jesus' death, resurrection, and ascension.

*John 7:37* On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. **38** Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, 'Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.'" **39** Now this he said about the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were to receive, for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

3. The influences of his coming are literally life and death.

*Titus 3:5* he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, **6** whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior,

4. The spirit's eternal indwelling guarantees that we are a holy temple – where God lives.

*John 14:16* And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, **17** even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

*1Cor. 6:19* Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, **20** for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.

## Reflections & Discussion

1. By the Spirit's indwelling, you are the aroma of Christ to God (1 Cor. 2:14-16). How does this reality change the way you live?
2. Write down a few specific ways you have seen your life change since trusting Jesus, as well as areas you desire to see growth in. How does the Spirit's indwelling empower those changes?

## SONGS

"HAPPY DAY" – Ben Cantelon, Tim Hughes

"GLORIOUS DAY" - John Wilbur Chapman, Mark Hall, Michael Bleecker

"O PRAISE THE NAME" - Dean Ussher, Marty Sampson, and Benjamin Hastings

"IN CHRIST ALONE" - Stuart Townsend, Keith Getty

## BUDGET

GIVING LAST WEEK: \$ 29,952.06

WEEKLY NEED: \$ 36,093.00

Y-T-D GIVING: \$499,088.60

Y-T-D GENERAL NEED: \$541,395.00