

A stylized illustration of a nativity scene. The background is a dark blue gradient with a large, bright, multi-pointed star in the center. The scene is framed by a dark blue border. In the foreground, there are white silhouettes of a city with towers and domes on the right, and a hill with a palm tree and three camels on the left. The text "The Application of His First Coming" is centered in white, bold, sans-serif font.

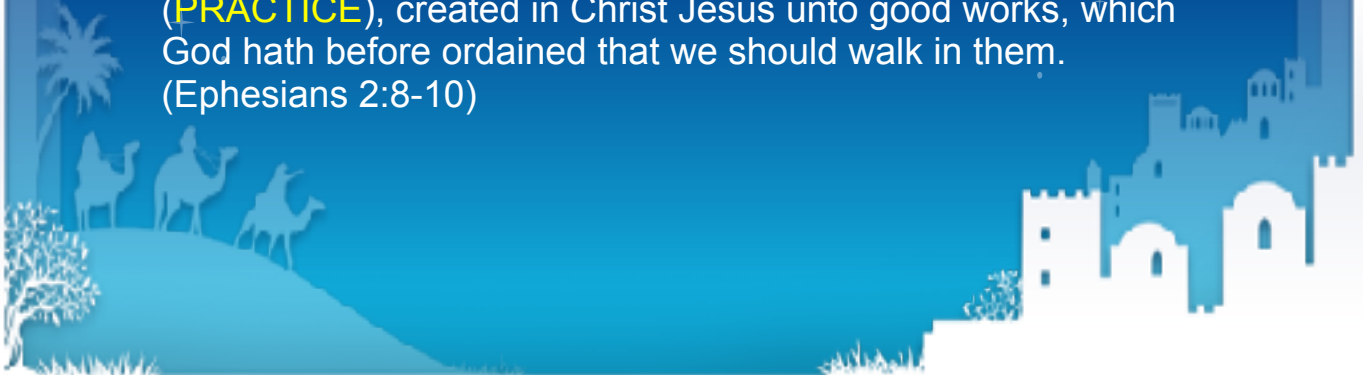
The Application of His First Coming

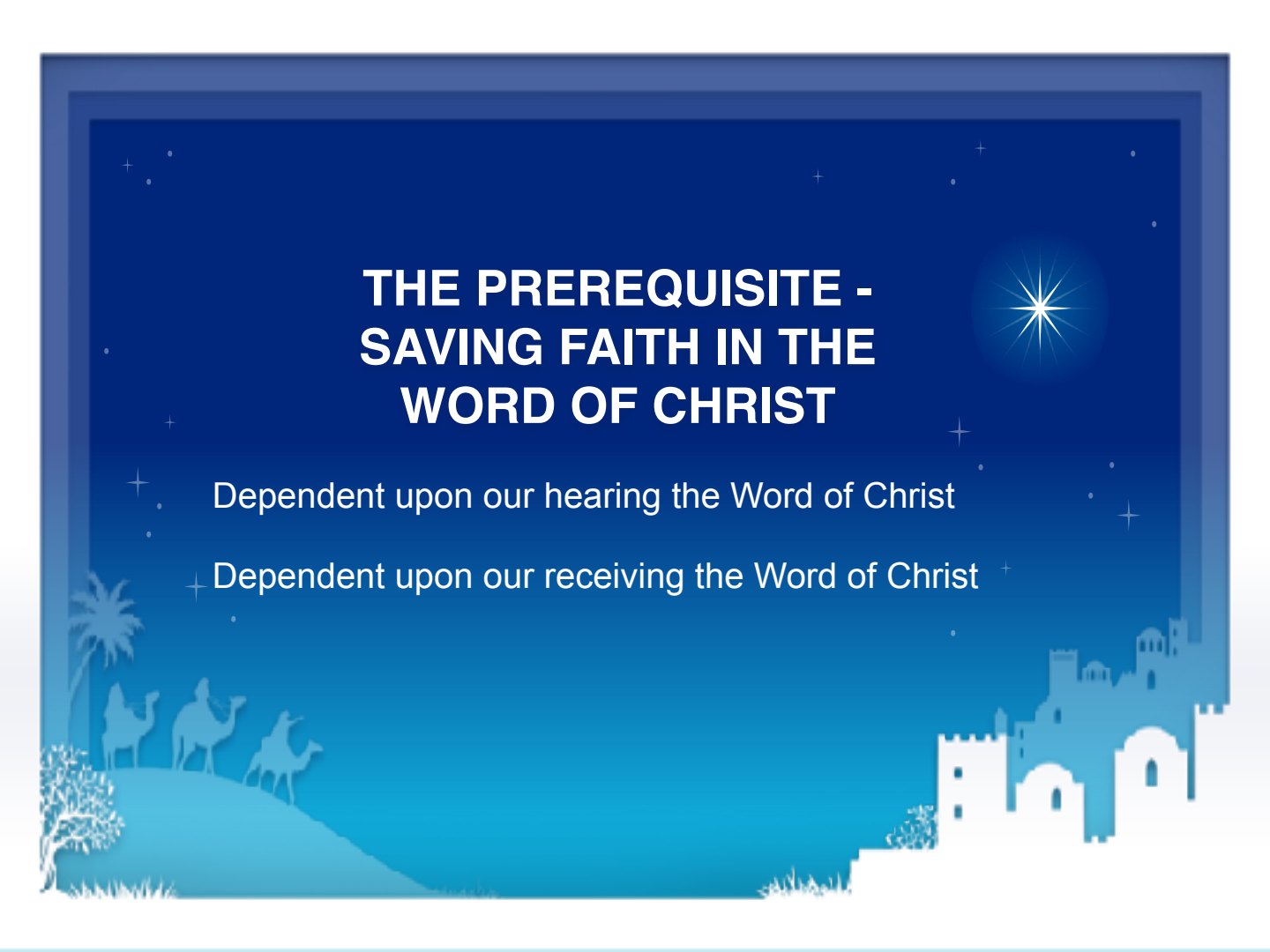
Living to Die



OUR POSITION VERSUS OUR PRACTICE

For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: [it is] the gift of God: Not of works (**POSITION**), lest any man should boast. For we are his workmanship (**PRACTICE**), created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.
(Ephesians 2:8-10)





THE PREREQUISITE - SAVING FAITH IN THE WORD OF CHRIST

Dependent upon our hearing the Word of Christ

Dependent upon our receiving the Word of Christ



THE POWER - SANCTIFYING FAITH IN THE WORD OF CHRIST

Impacts spiritually, socially and vocationally

The background is a dark blue gradient with a lighter blue border. It features a stylized illustration of a nativity scene. On the left, three camels are silhouetted against a light blue hill, with a palm tree and a small tree nearby. On the right, a white silhouette of a city or castle with towers and domes is visible. A bright, multi-pointed star is positioned in the upper right quadrant, surrounded by smaller stars and crosses.

**IDENTIFIED BY JOY
IN OUR SPIRITUAL LIVES**

Joyful singing
Joyful speaking
Joyful serving



**IDENTIFIED BY SELFLESSNESS
IN OUR SOCIAL LIVES**

Wives living by dying to self-will

Husbands living by dying to self-love

Children living by dying to self-advancement

Parents living by dying to self-indulgence

A blue-toned illustration of a nativity scene. In the foreground, three camels are silhouetted against a light blue hill. To the left, there is a palm tree and a small tree. To the right, a white silhouette of a city or castle with towers and domes is visible. The background is a dark blue night sky with several white stars of varying sizes and a large, bright, multi-pointed star in the upper right quadrant. The entire scene is framed by a dark blue border.

IDENTIFIED BY INTEGRITY IN OUR VOCATIONAL LIVES

The integrity of our labor

The integrity of our leadership

The image features a dark blue background with a subtle world map. The map is rendered in a lighter shade of blue, showing the continents. Above the map, there is a starry night sky with several bright stars of varying sizes and colors, including a prominent white star with a large diffraction pattern. The overall aesthetic is clean and contemplative.

**ARE YOU LIVING
TO DIE?**