

THE STORY OF YOUR SALVATION

I. THE PAST

- A. You were foreknown: God knew about you and loved you in eternity past. Rom. 8:30
- B. You were predestined: God planned out every single detail of your life. Romans 8:30
- C. You were chosen: It was God's choice to save you, it wasn't your choice. Ephesians 1:4, John 15:16, 2 Thessalonians 2:13-14
- D. You were set apart from your mother's womb - Galatians 1:15-16, Psalm 139:13-16. This is when your life began. God made you just the way He wanted you to be so you would carry out the plans He had for your life. Jeremiah 1:4, Acts 3:2
- E. You were called. From the moment you were born, God was calling you, step by step working in your heart and life, convicting you of your need for Jesus Christ, until you were saved. Galatians 1:4, Romans 8:30, John 16:8
- F. God revealed His Son in you, which is when you were saved. At that time, you were justified, reconciled, redeemed and forgiven of your sins. You became a child of God, were adopted into His family and were baptized into the church. You became a co-heir with Jesus Christ. Galatians 1:16, Eph. 1:4-7, 1 Cor. 12:13, Romans 8:15-17
- G. There were many spiritual changes in your life. Old things passed away, and new things came. You sensed the presence of God in your life. You experienced God's forgiveness. You had peace in your heart. 2 Corinthians 5:17, Romans 5:1

II. THE PRESENT

- A. You are growing in your love for God. Mark 12:30
- B. You are learning from God, from other Christians, and from trials.
- C. You are praying, reading God's word, and obeying God.
- D. You are becoming more holy. 1 Peter 1:16
- E. You are learning to walk by faith. 2 Corinthians 5:7
- F. You are bearing spiritual fruit. Galatians 5:22
- G. You are working out your salvation. Philippians 2:12-13
- H. You are useful to God's family, and are using your spiritual gifts. 1 Peter 4:10
- I. Your life is a witness to the lost. Matthew 5:16

III. THE FUTURE

- A. God will finish in you what He started. Philippians 1:6
- B. God will keep you going and make sure you make it to heaven. 1 Corinthians 1:8-9
- C. God will glorify and perfect you, conforming you to the image of His Son.
This will take place at the rapture which occurs at the coming of Christ.
Romans 8:29, Colossians 3:3, 1 Corinthians 15:23
- D. You will reign with Jesus Christ during the millennial kingdom.
You will worship Christ with all your heart, mind, soul and strength.
Colossians 3:4; Revelation 5:10-14; Psalm 2:6-8; Psalms 47, 67, 72

FOR THOSE WHOM HE FOREKNEW, HE ALSO PREDESTINED...
AND THESE WHOM HE PREDESTINED, HE ALSO CALLED;
AND THESE WHOM HE CALLED, HE ALSO JUSTIFIED,
AND THESE WHOM HE JUSTIFIED, HE ALSO GLORIFIED.
Romans 8:29-30

SOME QUESTIONS TO ANSWER:

1. What is the main thing that you believe God wants you to learn from this lesson?
2. What does predestined mean as it relates to your life?
3. What happened when you were in your mother's womb? Why was that important?
4. What were some of the immediate results of being saved?
5. Describe some of the ways that your life changed after you were saved?
6. What kinds of things is God doing in your life?
7. Take time to think about reigning with Christ over this earth. What will it be like?