



# **Why Is Salvation So Important?**



# Salvation Defined

# Salvation: Old Testament

- Yasha/Yesha

- Deliverance, salvation, rescue, safety, welfare, victory

- Psalms 18:2-3; Isa. 12:1-2

- Teshua

- Deliverance, spiritual salvation

- Psalms 51:9-12

# Salvation: New Testament

- **Soteria**

- Deliverance, preservation, safety
- Salvation (through the Messiah)
- Luke 19:9-10

- **Sozo/Diasozo**

- To save, keep safe, rescue
- Physical – Luke 18:42
- Spiritual – Matt. 1:21; Jn. 3:17; 1 Pet. 3:20-21



Salvation is Important Because

**God is Holy**



# God's Holiness

- Is exalted in heaven – Isa. 6:1-3; Rev. 4:8; 1 Jn. 1:5
- Demands holiness – Psa. 119:172; 1 Pet. 1:14-16; 1 Jn. 3:7
- Will judge the world – Jn. 16:7-8; Acts 17:30-31; Rom. 2:5-8; 2 Thess. 1:6-8
- Is why the world despises Him – Rom. 1:18-19, 25
- Is why we have a problem – Isa. 6:5



Salvation is Important Because

**We are Sinners**

# Our Sin

- Is not God's fault.
  - God made us upright – Eccl. 7:29
  - Jesus spoke of the purity in which we are born – Matt. 18:2-3
- Is the result of using our freedom for self and sin
  - Our sin separates us from God – Isa. 59:1-2
  - Our sin earns “death” – Rom. 3:9, 23; 6:23
  - Our condemnation is just – Rom. 1:28-32



# Conclusion

- Salvation importance becomes clear when our predicament becomes clear.
  - God is holy and He will judge us
  - Our lives are not holy and deserve condemnation
- You do not have to remain unsaved!
  - God has given you a gift in Christ that saves – Rom. 6:23
  - There is no condemnation for those in Christ – Rom. 8:1-2
- Will you come to Jesus?