

Colossians 1:13-14

A. It is essential to understand what is not meant. This is not "saved and certain" in the sense that one is saved and certain never to be lost ("Once saved, always saved"). That popular teaching of Protestantism is not upheld by Scripture (Heb.3:12-14; 6:4-6).

B. It is essential to understand what is meant. One can know he is "saved and certain" because his/her faith rests upon the terms of the gospel as revealed in Scripture. Hence, "saved" and "certain" about it. I wish it could be said that it doesn't matter—that you can be saved by embracing whatever teaching you like. However, God has revealed His will and you either obey or refuse.

I. Two Circles...

SAVED!"Kingdom of His Son"
"Redemption"
"Forgiveness"

LOST!

"Domain of darkness" Domain of sin Domain of Satan

Question: How do you get from one realm to the other?

Answer: He rescued us!

A. When it comes to salvation, God has done His part (grace). We must do ours (faith).

B. What Must I Do To Be Saved?

II. What Does God Want from You?

A. **You must** ______ - faith is always an active compliance with Heaven's will.

B. **You must** _____ - you can't be a Christian without changing your will regarding sin

C. **You must** _____ - an announcement of a change in allegiance

D. **You must** _____ - the final step to change your spiritual state

There are only two places to live and die: Saved or Lost? Where are you?