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"... that you may know that you have eternal life." 1 John 5:13

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12 ESSENTIAL GOSPEL FACTS

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1. MAN'S STATE BY NATURE



God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.

Genesis 6:5 The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it? Jer. 17:9 The carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. Romans 8:7

2. MAN'S STATE BY PRACTICE

There is not a just man upon earth, that doeth good, and sinneth not. Eccl. 7:20

We are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags. Isaiah 64:6

All have sinned, and come short of the glory of God. Romans 3:23

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 1 Jn. 1:8

3. THERE MUST BE A CHANGE

Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven. Matthew 18:3

Except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish. Luke 13:3

Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. John 3:3

4. GOD'S THOUGHTS OF MAN

As I live, saith the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live. Ezekiel 33:11

For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life. John 3:16

The Lord . . . is long-suffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. 2 Peter 3:9

5. CHRIST'S WORK FOR MAN

He was wounded for our transgressions; He was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; and with His stripes we are healed. Isaiah 53:5

The Son of Man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give His life a ransom for many. Matthew 20:28. Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures. 1 Corinthians 15:3

6. THE VALUE OF CHRIST'S BLOOD



In whom we have redemption through His blood. Ephesians 1:7

The blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin. 1 John 1:7

Thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by Thy blood. Revelation 5:9

7. CHRIST'S INVITATION TO SINNERS

Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Matthew 11:28

Him that cometh to Me I will in no wise cast out. John 6:37

I am the door:-by Me if any man enter in, he shall be saved. John 10:9

Whosoever will, let him take of the water of life freely. Revelation 22:17

8. WHAT CHRIST IS ABLE TO DO

Wherefore He is able to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by Him. Heb. 7:25

He is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think. Ephesians 3:20

He is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy. Jude 24

9. HOW TO BE SAVED

Whosoever believeth in Him shall receive remission of sins. Acts 10:43

To him that worketh not, but believeth on Him that justifieth the ungodly, his faith is counted for righteousness. Romans 4:5

If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. Romans 10:9

10. HOW TO BE LOST FOREVER

He that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. John 3:18 If ye believe not that I am He, ye shall die in your sins. John

8:24 The Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with His mighty angels in flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

2 Thess. 1:7-8

11. HOW WE MAY KNOW WE ARE SAVED

Hereby we know that He abideth in us, by the Spirit which He hath given us. 1 John 3:24

I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish; neither shall any man pluck them out of My hand. John 10:28 These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life. 1 John 5:13

12. NO TIME TO BE LOST



Behold now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.

2 Corinthians 6:2

Today if ye will hear His voice, harden not your hearts.

Hebrews 3: 17, 8

SO GREAT SALVATION

Nothing to pay? – No, not a whit;
Nothing to do? – no, not a bit;
 All that was needed to do or to pay
 Jesus has done in His own blessed way.

Nothing to do? – No, not a stroke;
 Gone is the captor, gone is the yoke;
 Jesus at Calvary severed the chain,
 And none can imprison His freeman again.

Nothing to fear? – No, not a jot;
 Nothing unclean? – no, not a spot;
 Christ is my peace and I've nothing at stake;
 Satan can neither harass nor shake

Nothing to settle? – All has been paid;
 Nothing of anger? – Peace has been made;
 Jesus alone is the sinner's resource;
 Peace He has made by the blood of His cross.

What about judgement? – I'm thankful to say
 Jesus has met it and borne it away;
 Drank it all up when He hung on the tree,
 Leaving a cup full of blessing for me.

What about terror? – It hasn't a place
 In a heart that is filled with a sense of His
 grace;
 My peace is divine and it never can cloy,
 And that makes my heart bubble over with joy.

What about death? – It hasn't a sting;
 The grave to a Christian no terror can bring,
 For death has been conquered, the grave has
 been spoiled,
 And every foe of his armour despoiled.

BIBLICAL CHRISTIANITY (Ephesians 1:18)

1. [A Call to Salvation](#) (Acts 4:12)



God's call to salvation goes out to everyone (**2 Pet. 3:9**). It includes the young-old, rich-poor, educated-illiterate, etc. Salvation is free. It is a gift offered by God received by repentance and faith (**Acts 20:21**). It is our only way of escape from hell and eternal punishment (**Heb. 2:3**).

2. [A Call To Sanctification](#) (I Thess. 4:3; Rom. 6:13; Eph. 5:11).

Sanctification is the work of the Holy Spirit whereby the believer is made holy and set apart for God's exclusive purpose and service. It is both positional and practical. When a sinner truly believes in Christ, he is sanctified and made a saint of God. As a saint, he is to live more and more like Christ – though in the world yet separate and unblemished by sin and wickedness.

3. [A Call to Separation](#) (2 Cor. 6:17)

One sure proof of a person's salvation is his hatred for evil doings and his avoidance of people who will lead him into temptation and sin. A true Christian has had a change of heart and mind resulting in a changed life. He now lives separately for the glory of the Lord (**1 Cor. 10:31**). He has different – priority, ambition, hobby, music, & heroes!

4. [A Call to Suffering](#) (Phil. 1:29)

Many complain and murmur and some even dare blame God for their sufferings not recognizing Christ suffered even more to bring them salvation. We need to recognize God's purpose in suffering – that it prepares us for future glory (**1 Pet. 4:13; 2 Cor. 4:17; Rom. 8:18**).

5. [A Call To Service](#) (Rom. 12:11)

Many Christians are called but few choose to heed God's call to service. Excuses and lack of concern hinder them. It is no wonder the Gospel spreads so slow. God's call to service reaches out to all. Everyone can do something for the Lord (than just sit and listen in church) – pray, teach, visit, encourage, counsel, comfort, pass out Gospel tracts, etc. God has equipped you and called you to serve others in His name. There is no Christian that God has not called to serve. There is no Christian to whom God has not given the spiritual gifts and abilities needed to accomplish God's will for their lives. Our labor is never in vain (**Col. 3:24**).

6. [A Call to Sacrifice](#) (Rom. 12:1)

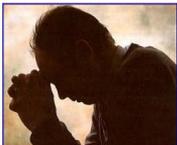
In a world where so many things are instant, convenient, easy to use, and user-friendly, the concept of sacrifice is a strange thing! In the Bible God calls all who follow Him to be willing to give out of their best to Him. This always demands sacrifice. God has given us the finest example in the sacrifice of His Son. Jesus gave His blood and His life at Calvary, what shall we give Him in return? Paul, a model Christian, was aware of God's call to sacrifice when he declared that he would do it with joy (**Phil. 2:17**).

7. [A Call to Soul-Winning](#) (Acts 1:8)

Every Christian has been called by God to be a witness and a soul-winner. It is the greatest job of all! They that are engaged in it are called wise by God (**Prov. 11:30**). If a medical doctor feels fulfilled after curing a patient and such lives for 10 more years, how much more fulfillment can a soul-winner have if he helps a lost soul find eternal life? Across the street or around the world, our mission is still the same – proclaim and live the truth in Jesus' name.

Conclusion: And so true Christianity is a sevenfold calling from God. It is a call to – SALVATION, SANCTIFICATION, SEPARATION, SUFFERING, SERVICE, SACRIFICE, & SOUL-WINNING. God still calls people today. He is calling you now. *Rodelio Mallari*

Point to Ponder



*God loved us when there was nothing good to be seen in us
and nothing good to be said for us.*

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