

Introduction

- I. Jesus Christ is only one who can make satisfaction for our sins and reconcile us to God.
- II. LD 7 begins *Are all men then, as they perished in Adam, saved by Christ?*

What Is Saving Faith?

I. **A Gift**

- A. Many in the church today would say that faith is what a person has to do to get saved.
- B. But the Bible starts with God teaching we are saved by grace alone in Ephesians 2:8.

II. **A Bond**

- A. Faith is a living bond that unites us to Jesus Christ.
- B. This means we have a living relationship of love with Jesus.

III. **An Activity** - Faith is a living personal trust in God (Jeremiah 17:5-8).

- A. True faith includes a knowledge of God and Christ and all that is found in God's Word.
- B. Faith is also trust or an assured confidence. This is the heart of faith.

IV. **A Blessing**

- A. The man who does not in God, but trusts in man, will be cursed and will be like a cactus in the desert.
- B. But God blesses those who trust in Him.