

“I Am What I Am By Grace” TROUBLE³ SERIES

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I Corinthians 15:8-11

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1 Corinthians 15:8-11 And last of all he was seen of me also, as of one born out of due time. ⁹ For I am the least of the apostles, that am not meet to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰ But by the grace of God I am what I am: and his grace which *was bestowed* upon me was not in vain; but I laboured more abundantly than they all: yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me. ¹¹ Therefore whether *it were* I or they, so we preach, and so ye believed.

John 20:31 But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.

What must I do to be saved?

Acts 16:31 And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.

Galatians 1:6-9 I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel: ⁷ Which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Christ. ⁸ But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. ⁹ As we said before, so say I now again, If any *man* preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed.

Give your heart to Jesus.

It's not you giving Him anything; it's Him giving you everything: **Col. 2:10** And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power:

Give your life to Jesus.

It's not you giving Him your life; it's Him giving you His: **1 John 5:11** And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son.

Take Jesus into your heart.

This is nowhere in the Bible!

Revelation 3:20 Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.

Jesus is using figurative language to say to Christians He wants to "enter the church and come toward the believer" for fellowship.

Ephesians 1:13 In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,

Repent of your sin. (Turn from your sin. Be sorry about your sin. Do penance for your sin. Stop your sinning)

When used in an evangelistic context, repentance means “to change your mind” about whatever is keeping you from trusting Christ as your Savior and trust Him to save you.

Confess Christ with your mouth.

Romans 10:9 That 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.

The context of Romans 10 is the national salvation of Israel. Neither does it say anywhere that you must make a public profession.

Obey, or have a willingness to obey, His

commands. We are asking an unsaved, non-regenerated person to do what many saved people have trouble with.

Fully accept all the terms of discipleship.

Again, this is not what the Bible is asking a non-Christian to do. This is something that takes most Christians a long time to do.

Walk forward or pray this prayer.

Where in the Bible does it say that to do these things to be saved?

Make Jesus the Lord of your life; Surrender to His Lordship and authority.

It is because I am saved that I surrender to His Lordship (Rom. 12:1-2).