

SALVATION- GOD'S GIFT TO MAN

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# **DEDICATION**

This book is dedicated to late Deacon T.O Alabi, who was an excellent teacher of the word.

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### Introduction

I am come that ye may have life and have it more abundantly- Jesus Christ.

One of the last words of Jesus when he was about to breathe his last breath on the cross was 'IT IS FINISHED' (John 19:30)

What is finished?

- Sin's dominion
- Satan's dominion e.g. Bondages, Sicknesses, Eternal Damnation, poverty and every works of the devil.

All these and many others are finished through Christ, all you have to do is to open your heart by faith and receive salvation and by faith believe that these satanic bondages are broken in your life.

When the symptoms of a disease come, don't fear, don't lose hope remember Christ said It is finished. Isaiah 53:5 'But he was wounded for our transgression, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed' and 1peter 2:24 'Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed'. Note that Isaiah 53:5 is in the old testament (before Christ died), it says ye are healed, 1peter 2:24 is in the new testament (after the death of Christ), it says ye were healed. 'Were' is past.

If you have Christ, you are finished with sin and are eligible to live a good life from now on. Salvation is the answer to the cry of the world.

## Chapter One

#### **SALVATION**

Salvation is the gift of God unto man; it is not earned by good works. It is a gift unto all who believe and receive his son Jesus Christ. The amazing thing about salvation is no matter how 'bad/evil' your life is, when you receive Christ it is blotted out.

- 3:16 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.
- 3:17 For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.
- 3:18 He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.
  - 3:19 And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.
    - 3:20 For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved.
    - 3:21 But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God.

John 3:16-21

When you are saved, you've passed from death to life, you have dominion over sin.

'For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace'.

Romans 6:14

This salvation can only be received through faith, believing and confessing the Lord Jesus. We are told in Acts 4:12 that 'neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved'.

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.

For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed.

For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him.

For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

#### Romans 10:9-13

## Christ Died Once For All

'Behold, all souls are mine; as the soul of the father, so also the soul of the son is mine: the soul that sinneth, it shall die'.

Ezekiel 18:4

'For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord'.

#### Romans 6:23

Sin leads to death (Physically, emotionally and spiritually). Thus there is need for forgiveness of sins.

In the Old Testament, before the remission/ forgiveness of sins there must be the shedding of blood (sacrificing rams, goats, lambs and turtle doves) but Christ came and died once and for all, thus, we need not shed blood or sacrifices rams again.

For the law having a shadow of good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually make the comers thereunto perfect.

For then would they not have ceased to be offered? because that the worshippers once purged should have had no more conscience of sins.

But in those sacrifices there is a remembrance again made of sins every year.

For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins.

Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me: In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin thou hast had no pleasure.

Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me,) to do thy will, O God.

Above when he said, Sacrifice and offering and burnt offerings and offering for sin thou wouldest not, neither hadst pleasure therein; which are offered by the law; Then said he, Lo, I come to do thy will, O God. He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second.

By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

And every priest standeth daily ministering and offering oftentimes the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins: But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God; From henceforth expecting till his enemies be made his footstool.

For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified.

Whereof the Holy Ghost also is a witness to us: for after that he had said before, This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them; And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more.

Now where remission of these is, there is no more offering for sin. Hebrews 10:1-18

From the above scripture we see that Jesus Christ has shed his own blood once and for all so we who believe in him can be finished with sin 'where remission of these is there is no more offering for sin'.

## Chapter Two

#### WHY CHRIST HAD TO DIE

The love of God has been shown towards man even from the beginning. He created the whole world with all the dry lands, seas, greater light, lesser light and animals etc. But out of all these, it is only man he made in his own image.

And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.

And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.

Genesis 1:26-28

God made man in his own image and likeness-spirit. In John 4:24 Jesus said 'God is a spirit and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth. Now, man is a spirit, he has a soul and lives in a body.

God commanded Adam to eat freely of every tree but not to eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for if he does, he shall surely die (Genesis 2:15-17). In Genesis 3:1-24, we see how the serpent deceived eve consequently she ate out of the forbidden fruit and gave her husband Adam from it and he also ate. Genesis 3:7 says their eyes were opened, they knew they were naked then they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves apron. Physically Adam and Eve did not die but their spirit died, that is their relationship and communication with God was seared; they were disconnected from the ultimate source- God.

Adam and Eve disobeyed God, they sinned and Romans 6:23 says the wages of sin is death, thus through the first Adam sin and death came into the world and

through the death and resurrection of the last Adam (Jesus Christ) we were made righteous.

- 5:12 Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned: 5:13 (For until the law sin was in the world: but sin is not imputed when there is no law.
- 5:14 Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them that had not sinned after the similitude of Adam's transgression, who is the figure of him that was to come.
- 5:15 But not as the offence, so also is the free gift. For if through the offence of one many be dead, much more the grace of God, and the gift by grace, which is by one man, Jesus Christ, hath abounded unto many.
- 5:16 And not as it was by one that sinned, so is the gift: for the judgment was by one to condemnation, but the free gift is of many offences unto justification.
  - 5:17 For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.) 5:18 Therefore as by the offence of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation; even so by the righteousness of one the free gift came upon all men unto justification of life.
  - 5:19 For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous.
  - 5:20 Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound: 5:21 That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord.

Romans 5:12-21

When Christ died, we died with; when he was glorified, we were also glorified with him and we shall eventually be with him when he comes back. We were restored back to God, that which the first Adam lost was restored by the last Adam (Jesus Christ).

- 6:1 What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound? 6:2 God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?
- 6:3 Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death? 6:4 Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.
- 6:5 For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection: 6:6 Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin.
  - 6:7 For he that is dead is freed from sin.
- 6:8 Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him: 6:9 Knowing that Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him.
  - 6:10 For in that he died, he died unto sin once: but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God.
  - 6:11 Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.
  - 6:12 Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof.
- 6:13 Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness

unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God.

6:14 For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace.

Romans 6:1-14

Jesus' death destroyed him that hath the power of death-the devil (Hebrews 2:14).

- 2:9 Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name:
- 2:10 That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth;
- 2:11 And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

  Philippians 2:9-11

Through faith in the name of Jesus, every knee (problems, tricks of the devil, challenges etc) must bow (come to naught).

## Chapter Three

# SOME BENEFITS OF DEATH AND RESURRECTION OF CHRIST FOR THOSE WHO BELIEVE

These among numerous others are the benefits of salvation.

- 1. Dominion over sin
- 2. Dominion over the devil and all his agents
- 3. Freedom to live a victorious Christian life
- 4. Healing and good health
- 5. We are Glorified with Christ
- 6. We are made partakers with God
- 7. We are made kings and priests unto God
- 8. We are made co-laborers with Christ
- 9. We are made brethren and friends of Jesus Christ
- 10. We are restored back to fellowship with God
- 11. We have eternal life
- 12. We will be with Jesus when he comes back again

In the Old Testament, the prophets prophesied about the coming of Christ and how he should suffer, die and take away the sins of the world. These prophecies were fulfilled in the New Testament.

When Jesus Christ was nailed to the cross and shed his blood an exchange was made. When he hung there the sins of the whole world was imputed on him, my sins, your sins and everyone else' sins were on him that knew no sin and his righteousness was imputed on us. Oh what love! That Christ died for us while we were yet sinners.

On that cross, our sins, short comings, errors, sicknesses, diseases, failures etc were on him and he said 'It is finished' (John 19:30). We are told in *1 peter 2:24 who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed.* Now it is not

only our past sins, Jesus Christ took the responsibilities and punishments for our past, our present and our future sins, he died once for all (Hebrews 10:10).

Jesus Christ was made a curse for us for it is written 'cursed is anyone who hangs on a tree'. Through death Christ destroyed him that hath the power of death-devil (Hebrews 2:14), Jesus Christ stripped him (Satan) of all his powers and gave us dominion over the devil, his agents and sin.

For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace.

Romans 6:1-14

16:17 And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; 16:18 They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

#### Mark 16:17

After resurrection, Jesus said in Mathew 28:18 'And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth'.

When Jesus rose from the dead on the third day after he was crucified he became the first born from the dead (being that we also died with him Romans 6:1-14) and we became his brethren Colossians 1:18.

#### **Communication Between Man And God Restored**

23:45 And the sun was darkened, and the veil of the temple was rent in the midst.

23:46 And when Jesus had cried with a loud voice, he said, Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit: and having said thus, he gave up the ghost.

Luke 23:45-46

This account is also recorded in Mathew 27: 51 and Mark 15: 38. Which veil was torn?

26:31 And thou shalt make a vail of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen of cunning work: with cherubims shall it be made:

26:32 And thou shalt hang it upon four pillars of shittim wood overlaid with gold: their hooks shall be of gold, upon the four sockets of silver.

26:33 And thou shalt hang up the vail under the taches, that thou mayest bring in thither within the vail the ark of the testimony: and the vail shall divide unto you between the holy place and the most holy.

26:34 And thou shalt put the mercy seat upon the ark of the testimony in the most holy place.

Exodus 26: 31-34

The veil that divided the holy place and the most holy place was the one torn by the sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the cross *Luke 23:45*, *Mathew 27:51 and Mark 15: 38*.

Read carefully the scripture below.

9:1 Then verily the first covenant had also ordinances of divine service, and a worldly sanctuary.

- 9:2 For there was a tabernacle made; the first, wherein was the candlestick, and the table, and the shewbread; which is called the sanctuary.
- 9:3 And after the second veil, the tabernacle which is called the Holiest of all;
- 9:4 Which had the golden censer, and the ark of the covenant overlaid round about with gold, wherein was the golden pot that had manna, and Aaron's rod that budded, and the tables of the covenant;
  - 9:5 And over it the cherubims of glory shadowing the mercyseat; of which we cannot now speak particularly.
  - 9:6 Now when these things were thus ordained, the priests went always into the first tabernacle, accomplishing the service of God.
  - 9:7 But into the second went the high priest alone once every year, not without blood, which he offered for himself, and for the errors of the people:
- 9:8 The Holy Ghost this signifying, that the way into the holiest of all was not yet made manifest, while as the first tabernacle was yet standing:
- 9:9 Which was a figure for the time then present, in which were offered both gifts and sacrifices, that could not make him that did the service perfect, as pertaining to the conscience;
  - 9:10 Which stood only in meats and drinks, and divers washings, and carnal ordinances, imposed on them until the time of reformation.
- 9:11 But Christ being come an high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building;
  - 9:12 Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us.
- 9:13 For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh:
  - 9:14 How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?
- 9:15 And for this cause he is the mediator of the new testament, that by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions that were under the first testament, they which are called might receive the promise of eternal inheritance.
  - 9:16 For where a testament is, there must also of necessity be the death of the testator.
- 9:17 For a testament is of force after men are dead: otherwise it is of no strength at all while the testator liveth.
- 9:18 Whereupon neither the first testament was dedicated without blood. 9:19 For when Moses had spoken every precept to all the people according to the law, he took the blood of calves and of goats, with water, and scarlet wool, and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book, and all the people,

- 9:20 Saying, This is the blood of the testament which God hath enjoined unto you. 9:21 Moreover he sprinkled with blood both the tabernacle, and all the vessels of the ministry.
- 9:22 And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission.
- 9:23 It was therefore necessary that the patterns of things in the heavens should be purified with these; but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these.
- 9:24 For Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true; but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for
- 9:25 Nor yet that he should offer himself often, as the high priest entereth into the holy place every year with blood of others;
- 9:26 For then must he often have suffered since the foundation of the world: but now once in the end of the world hath he appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself.
- 9:27 And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment:9:28 So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation.

  Hebrews 9: 1-28.

From the above, we see that the priests went always into the first tabernacle that is the holy place but the most holy place went the high priest alone once every year not without blood which he offered for himself and others or the errors o the people.

Because this vail was torn on the cross, we have access to God, we don't have to wait or a pastor or prophet to talk to God on our behalf, we ourselves when we are saved can boldly talk to God and receive whatsoever we desire according to God's will Mathew 7:7.

Thus the communication and relationship seared by the first Adam has been fully restored by the last Adam- Jesus Christ the son o the living God, our High priest. We are now made kings and priests unto God through the finished works of Christ Revelation 1:6, we were also made co-laborers with him.

## Chapter Four

#### RECEIVING SALVATION

For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God-Romans 3:23

But, while we were still sinners Christ died for us.

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 world was still in sin when God gave his only begotten son, so we might have eternal life.

God, (while we were still in our sins) imputed all our sins on Jesus Christ when he hanged on the cross and poured Christ's righteousness into us.

For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

2 Corinthians 5:21

The book of Isaiah says

53:5 But 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.

53:6 All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all. Isaiah 53:5-6

All you need to do is believe and act the word of God.

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.

10:10 For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

Romans 10:9-10

An exchange was made, now a choice has to be made, either to receive this unmerited favor or reuse it. If you chose to receive, please pray out loud the prayer below.

'Dear Lord, I come to you in the name o Jesus, I ask that you forgive and wash away all my sins because o Christ's finished works. You said on your word that whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved (Romans 10:13). I ask Jesus to come into my life and be my Lord, I surrender all to him. I thank you or I am now saved, justified, forgiven and born again. I thank you Father for I have eternal life, Amen'.

Welcome to God's kingdom, I you prayed the prayer above; you are now a heir, a child of the most high God, Congratulations.

Begin attending a Bible based church so you can be well nourished. If you die now, you go to heaven and have no fear o hell anymore, If you tarry till Christ comes (because he is coming again), you will be with him.

Now you are a new creature, you have a new life in Christ, those things you did are gone, just as if it never happened, God has forgiven all your sins and shortcomings. He has all blotted out, he said come let us reason together, though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow. God has forgiven your past, present and future sins through Christ's finished works. You also need to let it go, forgive yourself and don't allow the devil or anyone drag you back to your past or keep bringing it up. You are a new creature old things are passed away, behold all have become new. You are justified- Just as if it never happened thus don't dwell on your past, move forward, your past was buried with Christ and a new you arose with Christ.

5:17 Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

2 Corinthians 5:17

A new life of righteousness and holiness has begun or you.

1:21And you, that were sometime alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now hath he reconciled

1:22 In the body of his flesh through death, to present you holy and unblameable and unreproveable in his sight Colossians 1:21-22

If you abide in God the above verse and many more promises are yours.

54:9 For this is as the waters of Noah unto me: for as I have sworn that the waters of Noah should no more go over the earth; so have I sworn that I would not be wroth with thee, nor rebuke thee.

54:10 For the mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed; but my kindness shall not depart from thee, neither shall the covenant of my peace be removed, saith the LORD that hath mercy on thee.

Isaiah 54:9-10

# Chapter 5

#### RENEWING OF THE MIND

Anyone who has Christ is finished with sin and has dominion over sin and satan. Free to live a good live. The living Bible translation says in 1peter 2:24

He personally carried the load of our sins in his own body when he died on the cross, so that we can be finished with sin and live a good life from now on, for his wounds have healed ours

1peter 2:24

Now you may ask 'why do I still have the same thoughts I used to have?' You are finished with sin and satan but note that your mind needs renewal. Now because you are born again doesn't mean temptations will not come, oh! They will come, even Jesus was tempted in the wilderness Luke4:1-13 and no one is greater than his master. Temptation in itself id not a sin, giving into the temptation is.

The devil and his demons will still come and tempt you to do those things you used to do, don't give in.

Your old friends and associates will call you to join them in what you used to do, don't give in.

Other sins you didn't even use to do will come up, craving your attention, don't give in.

Submit yourselves, then to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you James 4:7

Remember, you are at an advantage now, they were above you before, but now you are above them for 1John 4:4 says

4:4 Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.

1John4:4

'For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace'.

Romans 6: 14

Your mind needs renewal.

12:2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

Romans 12:2

The mind can only be renewed through the word of God. The more you stay with the word of God- the Bible, the more you become like Christ and all those habits will begin to shed off one by one. Sometimes, it is instantly and other times it is gradually and because you think it's slow doesn't mean you aren't making progress. Only the word of god can make you clean, Jesus said in the bible 'you are clean through the word I have spoken to you'.

Have you ever experienced this either you're in church or speaking with a man/woman of God or even studying the Bible and you immediately see those things you are doing that are wrong? Well it is the Holy Spirit who is convicting or bearing witness. At times you be like oh God! Am sorry I didn't realize it was wrong and then you repent (change your way of thinking) and when next a situation arise to do that very thing, you quickly say No, I won't do that and other times, you see those things and say 'oh God! How do you expect me to do that? It doesn't even seem to make any sense in the world' but we are told in the bible that the foolishness of God is wiser than the wisdom of men. And again the wisdom of God is foolishness to man for instance,

Wisdom of God Wisdom of Man

Ye shall lay your hands on the sick And they shall recover

if I were you I won't lay my hands on the sick. Don't you know you can get infected?

Let me give you one of my own example, one of those I thought makes no sense at all.

5:43 Ye have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbour, and hate thine enemy.

5:44 But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you,

do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you;

5:45 That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust.

- 5:46 For if ye love them which love you, what reward have ye? do not even the publicans the same?
- 5:47 And if ye salute your brethren only, what do ye more than others? do not even the publicans so?
  - 5:48 Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is nperfect.

    Mathew 5: 43-48

I argued 'reasonably' with this but thank God I eventually surrendered. Now this is not a onetime thing, it is continuous. You have to keep pressing forward.

If peradventure at anytime you gave way to the devils suggestions, don't stay down or crucify yourself or say because I have sinned God has forsaken me, let me continue therein for he doesn't care anymore. No, it's not true, it's the devil that wants to keep you down, immediately you realize what you've done, don't wait another second go quickly back to God, repent and don't go back to sin anymore. God is merciful, he'll forgive and blot away, hence don't let the devil keep you down by constantly reminding you of it. If also you find yourself disobeying the word of God, like the example I gave above, quickly go back to God, repent, begin obeying and continue to confess the word of God. Don't waste another second before repenting, God is not a wicked Father, he is a merciful and loving God, go to him quickly and repent and he shall in no wise cast you out.

6:12 Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof.

6:13 Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God.

6:14 For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace.

Romans 6:1-14

It is said that when an aero plane is flying from a certain point or place to another, it changes course every now and then thus the pilot hat to constantly adjust the plane to follow its right route, so it can get to its intended destination. This is similar to the human mind, because the human mind is already used to the way it thinks, so one has to 'reprogram it, check for bugs and consequently debug' that is you have to constantly check your mind, 'am I thinking the right thoughts?' if you are not, change it to the right thought. Adjust your mind to follow the 'right route' so you can also eventually get to your intended destination- Heaven.

# Chaper Six

#### CARRYING THE GOODNEWS TO OTHERS

A preacher once said, If it's not good news, it's not salvation- Salvation is good news

If you have just given your life to Christ, Tell someone about this good news

Tell people about your testimony, how God has given you eternal life, dominion over sin, satan and all his demons, how God has given you abundant life and peace.

Tell people about the benefits of Christ's death and resurrection

Tell them Jesus is the way the truth and the life

Tell them that only through Jesus can they obtain salvation\

Tell them about the free access we now have with God as a result of Christ's finished works.

Tell them an exchange took place on the cross, when Jesus died, he took our sins And gave us his righteousness

Tell them he is a loving and merciful Father

Tell them as long as they are still alive, there is still an opportunity to be saved

Tell them JESUS is coming Again.

#### **HYMN**

# Charles Wesley

1. And can it be that I should gain An int'rest in the Savior's blood? Died He for me, who caused His pain? For me, who Him to death pursued? Amazing love! how can it be That Thou, my God shouldst die for me?

#### Chorus:

Amazing love! how can it be That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me!

2. 'Tis mystery all, th'immortal dies! Who can explore His strange design? In vain the firstborn seraph tries To sound the depths of Love divine. 'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore! Let angel minds inquire no more. *Chorus*:

- 3. He left His Father's throne above, So free, so infinite His grace! Emptied Himself of all but love, And bled for Adam's helpless race! 'Tis mercy all, immense and free, For, O my God, it found out me. *Chorus*:
- 4. Long my imprisoned spirit lay Fast bound in sin and nature's night. Thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray: I woke-the dungeon flamed with light! My chains fell off, my heart was free, I rose, went forth, and followed Thee. *Chorus:*
- 5. No condemnation now I dread:
  Jesus, and all in Him, is mine!
  Alive in Him, my living Head,
  And clothed in righteousness divine,
  Bold I approach th'eternal throne,
  And claim the crown, through Christ my
  own.
  Chorus: