



ON EAGLES' WINGS

Exodus 19:4
THE TRUE SALVATION

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2024 Important Broad Promises Revealed

Psalm 23: 1-6

**God is our shepherd,
He will position us and
make our cup overflow.**

Exodus 19:4

**God will carry us on
eagles' wings, no
matter what comes up.**

Ecclesiastes 12:13

**Our only role is to fear
God, listen to the Holy
Spirit, in us, and obey
His command.**

Exodus 19:4, God recounts how He has carried Israel on eagles' wings:

4 'You yourselves have seen what I did to Egypt, and how I carried you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself.'

vs 5-6

'5 Now if you obey me fully and keep my covenant, then out of all nations you will be my treasured possession. Although the whole earth is mine, 6 you will be for Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.'

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Last Sunday Topic was instructive: **“DRAW WATER FROM THE WELLS OF SALVATION”**

Last Sunday’s Text” Isaiah 12:3: **“With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.”**

Today, we are looking at **“THE TRUE SALVATION”** and our Text: **John 3 and John 4**

To draw water from the wells of salvation, we must ensure that we have the true salvation.

In Matthew 7: 21-23, Jesus said:

²¹ “Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. ²² Many will say to me on that day, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name and in your name drive out demons and in your name perform many miracles?’ ²³ Then I will tell them plainly, ‘I never knew you. Away from me, you evildoers!’

Obviously, there is a high chance that ones exerts a lot of efforts on work of God, But get no credits for the efforts and unable to draw water from the wells of salvation because one has not ran the race according to the rules (2 Timothy 2:5) "An athlete is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules“.

Brethren, to draw water from the wells of salvation, the rule is that we must ensure that we have ‘the true salvation’ because only the true salvation has wells we can draw from.

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John 3 and John 4 present us with how to test out our salvation be sure it is true.

One thing that is clear is that SALVATION IS PRICY; SALVATION IS VERY EXPENSIVE. So, when we get it, we must guard it jealously with diligence.

In Matthew 13:44-45:

⁴⁴ “The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field.

⁴⁵ “Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls. ⁴⁶ When he found one of great value, he went away and sold everything he had and bought it.”

As a step to understanding Salvation in John 3 and John 4 , we will look at John 1:11-12:

¹¹ He (Jesus) came to that which was His own, but His own did not receive Him. ¹² Yet to all who did receive Him, to those who believed in His name, He **gave the right to become** children of God— ¹³ children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband’s will, but born of God.” **Brethren**, by believing in Him, what we get is the right to get Salvation.

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Salvation itself is expensive. But once you get it and guard it diligently, it is eternal.

In John 3, the bible uses the conversation between Jesus and Nicodemus to teach us how to get a true salvation:

³ Jesus said to Nicodemus, “Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again.”

⁴ “How can someone be born when they are old?” Nicodemus asked. “Surely they cannot enter a second time into their mother’s womb to be born!”

⁵ Jesus answered, “Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit.”

This takes us to “the 3-stages of TRUE SALVATION”:

1. Receive and believe in Jesus Christ (this gives the right to go onto the next two stages)
2. Be born of water
3. Be born of the Spirit

Brethren, the first check is to test out our salvation to be sure that all three (3) were covered.

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1. RECEIVE AND BELIEVE IN JESUS CHRIST:

Romans 10:9 says

“If you declare with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.”

In Acts 16:30-33,

“**The jailer** fell trembling before Paul and Silas. ³⁰ He then brought them out and asked, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?”

³¹ They replied, “Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved—you and your household.”

³² Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all the others in his house. ³³ At that hour of the night the jailer took them and washed their wounds; then immediately he and all his household were baptized (must be born of water and the Spirit to be saved).

Brethren, believing leads to Salvation. Believing by itself is not salvation/

2. BE BORN OF WATER (BAPTISM BY WATER)

The next step is baptism by water (as an adult). Nicodemus asked: “How can someone be born when they are old?” (John 3:4).

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Brethren, baptism by water is a necessary step. It is not a childhood exercise because you need to believe and confess Jesus with yourself before you can be baptized.

Jesus Himself demonstrated it.

In Matthew 3:13-17

¹³ Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan to be baptized by him. ¹⁴ And John *tried* to prevent Him, saying, “I need to be baptized by You, and are You coming to me?”

¹⁵ But Jesus answered and said to him, “Permit *it to be so* now, for thus it is fitting for us **to fulfill all righteousness.**” Then he allowed Him.”

¹⁶ When He had been baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and ^[a]He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting upon Him. ¹⁷ And suddenly a voice *came* from heaven, saying, “This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.”

As soon as He was baptized with water, God baptized Him with the Spirit of God.

Brethren, if any of us has not been baptized in water by immersion, please let us do so

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immediately to fulfil all righteousness and secure your salvation. Without baptism in water, we hamper the filling of the Holy Spirit.

John 3: 22-says that Jesus “²²spent some time with the people and baptized them... ²⁶ ...,and everyone was going to Him to be baptized.

3. BAPTISM BY THE SPIRIT

Once baptism by water has occurred, baptism by the Spirit is the final step in getting our salvation.

Matthew 3:16-17 says “¹⁶ When He had been baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting upon Him. ¹⁷ And suddenly a voice *came* from heaven, saying, “This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.””

Acts 10:38 says “how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him”

Brethren, power cannot come to us unless we are anointed by the Holy Spirit. We cannot draw

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water from the wells of salvation unless we are baptized in the Holy Spirit. Our salvation is not complete unless we done step 3, which baptism in the Holy Spirit.

In Acts 19:1-, Paul in Ephesus, “found some disciples ² and asked them, “Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?”

They answered, “No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.”

³ So Paul asked, “Then what baptism did you receive?”

“John’s baptism,” they replied.

⁴ Paul said, “John’s baptism was a baptism of repentance. He told the people to believe in the one coming after him, that is, in Jesus.” ⁵ On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. ⁶ **When Paul placed his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came on them,** and they spoke in tongues^[b] and prophesied. ⁷ There were about twelve men in all.

Brethren, first, they believed, second John baptized by water, and third, Paul baptized them by the Holy Spirit. Now, their salvation is complete.

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The wells of salvation can even be handed over to descendants if they also have salvation.

In John 4:1-42, Jesus was in Talks With a Samaritan Woman who came to draw water from a well that was handed over to Joseph by his father Jacob. Now, this woman is also drawing water from the well, but she does not have salvation, **to draw water from the wells of salvation and yet she was trying to,** So Jesus had to step in. ⁷ ... **Jesus said to her,** “Will you give me a drink? Based on her response, ¹⁰ Jesus answered her, “If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water”..¹³“Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴ but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life.” (**Brethren, it is dangerous to try to draw water from the wells of salvation when you are not truly saved.**) ²⁸Then, leaving her water jar, the woman went back to the town” to announce to the people. ³⁰ They came out of the town and made their way toward Jesus. **Many Samaritans Believed (vs 39-42).**

CONCLUSION: Let us go and apply the 3-stage test to our salvation, so that we are sure that we are ready to draw water from the wells of salvation. **GOD BLESS YOU!**

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