Captive's Corner



"Bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ" 2 Corinthians 10:5

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Once Is Enough

M y word to you is RELAX and REST IN CHRIST. There is absolutely no need to receive Christ over and over again to assure that you have salvation. Once is enough. The moment you turned from your wicked ways and put your trust in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, God began to do a work in

slightest The faith in the one true God is all that is needed to begin doing the work of God. See John 6:28-29. Salvation is His work. not Rest in yours. His ability to do all that He has promised.

vour life that only He can do. He acted not because "followed vou the instructions" of a pamphlet nor because you prayed a prayer, but rather He acted because you had turned in belief to Christ, His only offer of salvation. FAITH ALONE SAVES. The slightest faith in the one true God is all that is needed to begin doing the work of God - John 6:28-29. Salvation

is His work, not yours. Rest in His ability to do all that He has promised. Jesus died for you at Calvary in order to deliver you from sin's penalty forever -Hebrews 10:5-18; John 5:24; Romans 8:1. He now lives in heaven to come to your aid in the battle that wages against sin within now that you have turned your life over to God - Hebrews 7:24-25; 1 John 1:8-2:2; Romans 8:31-34. He has promised to come again to deliver your whole person from the corruption that is in this world - Hebrews 9:27-28; John 5:24, 28-29;

Romans 8:18-25. His Spirit has been sent into the world to make this great salvation known to us by His abiding with and in us. So. rest in His love. Nothing can separate a child of His from that love. Salvation is the work of God from start to finish, and He has promised that He will complete what

He has begun - Philippians 1:6; John 10:28-30; 1Peter 1:3-5 (Notice He is reserving things for you in heaven, so you can count on the fact that you will be there). Do you see these great facts?!

Now, once you receive Christ, His Spirit imparts His life to you and the Father translates you into the kingdom of His dear Son - John 1:11-13; 3:3-18; Colossians 1:12-14. All is based upon the work of Christ for you. We are already citizens of His kingdom, and we are but waiting for His return to complete the work He has begun - Philippians 3:20-21. Isn't that great?! Of course, we are not perfect in our walk before Him, and He knows this quite well. But He

loves us anyway,

enough to make

provision for us in

failures

Hebrews 2:17-18;

4:14-16; etc. As

our great High

before our Father

so that there is no

possibility that He

will lose any of us - John 6:37-40.

Does God lie? Of

course not! So we

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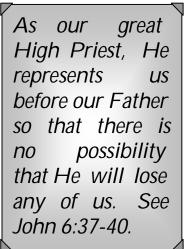
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In His sight, you are now fit for His presence throughout eternity. You are now called upon to worship simply and praise Him. alone He İS worthy. In Christ alone you are acceptable to God - Ephesians 1:6.

to perform what He has promised as He has made clear to us by the resurrection. He has conquered death for us and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. Do you believe Him? Then, you can rest in His care of you. When you get on a plane to take a flight somewhere, you simply put your trust in



the plane and pilot to perform for you what you can not do yourself. Of course, they are not God, so they fail. Jesus does not fail. When you put your trust in Him to take you to heaven, He will. When you put your trust in Him

for the forgiveness of your sins, He will forgive you (and forget!) - Ephesians 1:7, Isaiah 43:25; Psalm 103:11-12. When you put your trust in Christ to be made righteous, He will make you righteous in Him - 2Corinthians 5:21. You see, all you have is found IN CHRIST - Colossians 1:28; 1Peter 1:3. When you put your trust in Him, He put away the old man in Adam and created the new man in Christ. In His sight, you are now fit for His presence throughout eternity. You are

Does God lie? Of course not! -6:18; Hebrews Titus 1:2.

now called upon to simply worship and praise Him. He alone is worthy. In Christ alone you are acceptable to

God. It is God Who put you in Christ - 1Corinthians 1:30. Abide in Him - John 15:4-5.

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