# **Bible Training Institute**

To proactively accelerate the spiritual growth of Grace Bible Church for the purpose of knowing God more intimately and becoming more effective servants of God in the world

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Soteriology Part 1 Special Topic: Salvation in the Old and

New Testaments

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"Soteriology"

Greek *soteria* - salvation The doctrine of salvation

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#### Classic Christian myths about O. & N. Testament

- We're a New Testament church-we don't use the Old Testament.
- In the OT, you had to keep the law; in the NT you don't have to keep any law.
- In the OT, faith was external; in the NT faith is internal.
- The Old Testament is all about LAW and the NT is all about GRACE
- As Christians we are supposed to obey the NT and the Ten Commandments
- I can pick and choose which OT laws I still hold to-like tithing and Sabbath
- The OT Law was basically bad and the NT has fixed that
- In the OT the blood of animals paid for all your sin and in the NT the blood of Christ pays for your sin

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# Salvation in OT

- Expectation of a Savior
  Gen 3:15: 4:1; 5:28-29; Ps 110:1; Is 9:6
- · Salvation by Grace not Works
  - Gen 6:8; 18:3; Ex 33:12, 19; 34:9; Ps 51:1
- Salvation is Through Faith
- Gen 15:6; Rom 4:1 5
- Object of Faith is the God of the Bible (Gen 15:6)
- Basis of Salvation is the work of Christ - Is 53:4-10; 52:15; Heb 10:4

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### Salvation in OT

- · Means of Sanctification
  - Living a life set apart and pleasing to the Lord demonstrating a changed heart
  - MOSAIC LAW
- Instrument for Proclaiming God Among the Nations
  - ISRAEL

# Salvation in OT

- Destiny of the saved is a bodily resurrection and new heavens and a new earth
  - Job 19:25-26; ls 65:17; Dan 12:2-3
- Salvation for Individuals and Nations Made up of Those Individuals
  - Individuals-Abraham (Gen 15:6)
  - Israel–Jer 31:31-37; Ezek 36:22-36 (see also Romans 11); Zech 12
  - Gentile Nations-Is 19:24-25
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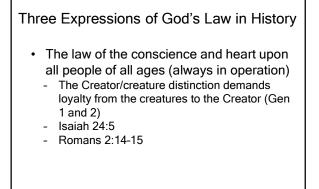
Salvation in OT and NT:  $_{\mbox{Continuities and Discontinuities}}$ 

- · Continuities
  - By grace alone, through faith alone
  - Object of faith is the one true God
  - Basis of salvation is the death of Christ
  - Destiny of the saved is resurrection and new earth
  - Salvation involves individuals and nations

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# Salvation in OT and NT: Continuities and Discontinuities Discontinuities Content of faith Rule of Life Means of Sanctification Role of the Holy Spirit New Testament ministry of the Holy Spirit Regeneration Indwelling

- Baptizing
- Sealing
- Filling



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Three Expressions of God's Law in History
The Mosaic Law Given to Israel (Ex 19 through the death of Christ)
Ex 19:5 - 6
Ex 34:27

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# Three Expressions of God's Law in History

- The Law of Christ of the New Covenant– mediated through and for Israel but extending to the Church and the Nations (from the death of Christ onward)
  - ISRAEL--Jer 31:31-34
  - ISRAEL--Ezek 36:24-27
  - ISRAEL--Rom 11:26-27
  - CHURCH--Gal 6:2
  - CHURCH--Is 52:15
  - ISRAEL--Heb 8:8-13
  - NATIONS--Rev 21:24, 26

The Three Laws are Distinct from Each Other in Scripture

- Continuity-because they all come from the Lawgiver there is similarity
- Discontinuity-similarity does not mean exactly the same

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