



# Ministries of the Holy Spirit At Salvation (Part I)

Basic Doctrine: Salvation  
Technical Term: Soteriology

# Motivation

- Why Study the Ministries of the Holy Spirit at Salvation?
  - They are doctrine (2 Timothy 3:16)
  - They support the concept of eternal security
  - They identify key components of the Christian life
- They are a subset of the “34” blessings that happen at the point of salvation
- They are important because they happened to you. Don’t you want to know what happened to you?



# Worthy of Careful Study -1

“From a practical standpoint, there are few subjects more worthy of careful study than that of the work of the Holy Spirit in the salvation of the believer. For the one who believes in Christ, it is a glorious revelation of the working of God in his own heart, the foundation of his spiritual experience and the ground of his hope of glory.



# Worthy of Careful Study -2

“Much of the confusion on the subject of assurance of salvation would be eliminated if the work of the Holy Spirit in salvation were made clear. It would destroy the philosophy of salvation by works. It would deliver the assurance of our salvation from the realm of emotional experience. It would give the baptism of the Holy Spirit its proper place and wrest the doctrine from its erroneous expositors in the holiness movements. It would provide the basis for understanding how God is working in His own in this age.”

By John F Walvoord at <https://bible.org/seriespage/6-work-holy-spirit-salvation> [retrieved 12/13/2018]

# What Happens at Salvation?

- There are the 34 (or 36 or 40) Blessings the believer receives at salvation
- Father, Son and Holy Spirit Participate in the Salvation of the Believer
- This Study Only Looks at the Ministry of the Holy Spirit at Salvation



# Salvation: Past, Present and Future

- I. The child of God was saved from the guilt and penalty of sin when he believed:  
Luke 7:50; Acts 16:30-31; 1 Cor 1:18; 2 Cor 2:15; Eph 2:8; 2 Tim 1:9
- II. The child of God, constituted such through belief, is being saved from the power and domination of sin on the same principle of faith:  
John 17:17; Rom 6:14; Phil 2:12-13; Rom 8:2; Gal 5:16
- III. The child of God, begotten as such through belief, is yet to be saved from the presence of sin into the presence of God:  
Rom 13:11; 1 Peter 1:3-5; 1 John 3:1-2

[Salvation: God's Marvelous Work of Grace by Lewis Sperry Chafer from <http://lewissperrychafer.org/Salvation.pdf>]



# Three Tenses of Salvation

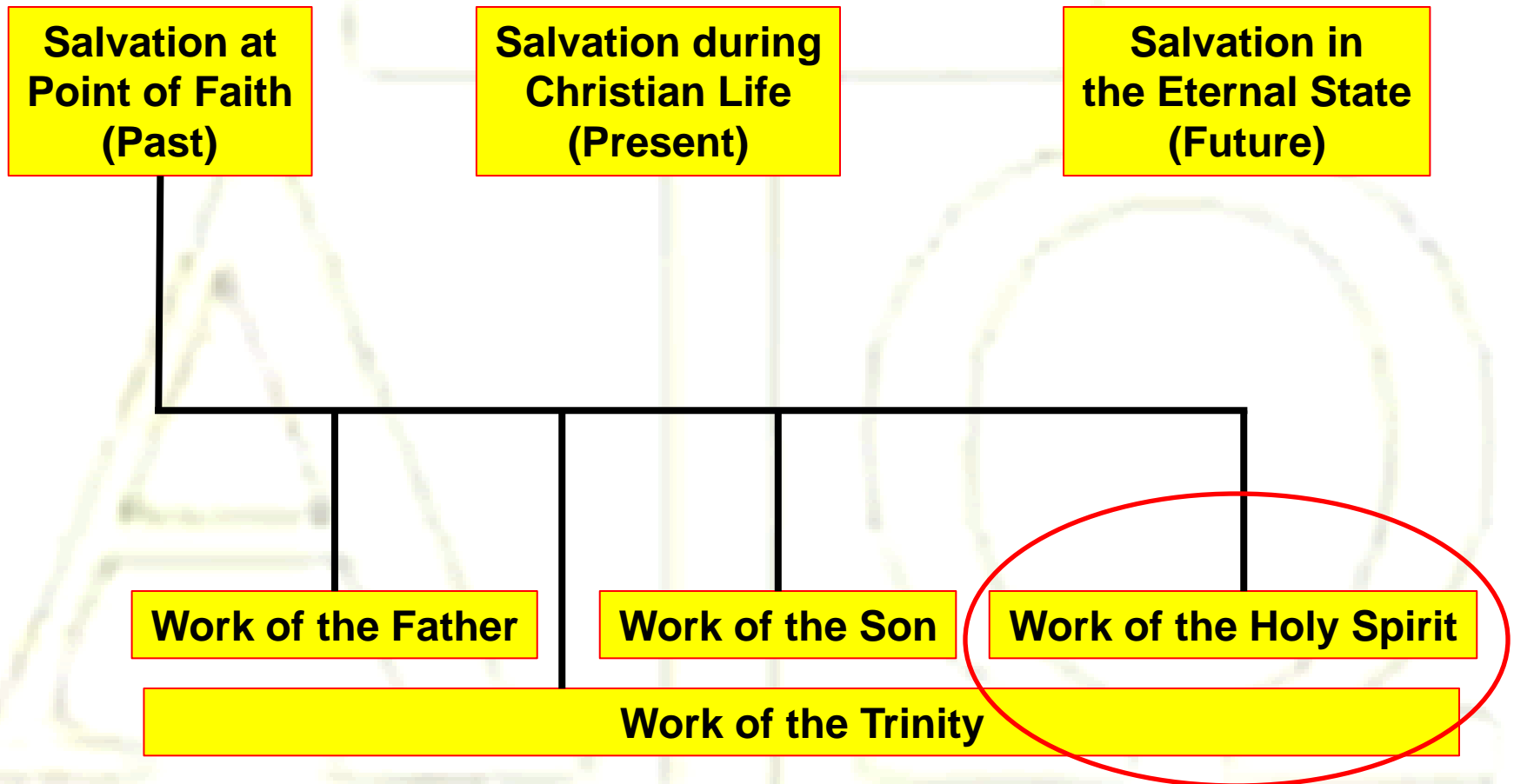
| Phase             | Justification                   | Sanctification     | Glorification   |
|-------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Tense             | <b>Past</b>                     | <b>Present</b>     | <b>Future</b>   |
| Saved from sin's: | <b>Penalty</b>                  | <b>Power</b>       | <b>Presence</b> |
| Scripture         | <b>Eph 2:8-9;<br/>Titus 3:5</b> | <b>Philip 2:12</b> | <b>Rom 5:10</b> |

Source: Andy Woods, pastor of Sugarland Bible Church

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# Who/What Am I?

- Unbeliever is “dichotomous” meaning he only has a physical body and a soul.
- Believer is “trichotomous” meaning he has a physical body, a soul and a human spirit.

# Dichotomous to Trichotomous

**Unbeliever  
(Unregenerate)**

**Human  
Body**

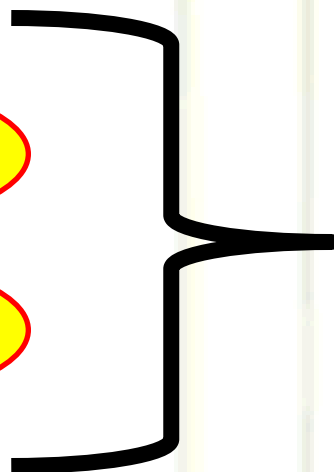
**Human  
Soul**

**Believer  
(Regenerate)**

**Human  
Body**

**Human  
Soul**

**Human  
Spirit**



# Spiritual Body

- 1 Thessalonians 5:23 Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you entirely; and may **your spirit and soul and body** be preserved complete, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- 1 Corinthians 2:14 But a natural man does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually appraised.
- 1 Corinthians 15:44 it is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a natural body, there is also a spiritual body.
- Hebrews 4:12 for the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword and piercing as far as the division of **soul and spirit**, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

# Romans 8:15-16

- Romans 8:15 For you have not received a spirit of slavery leading to fear again, but you have received a spirit of adoption as sons by which we cry out, “Abba! Father!”
- Romans 8:16 The Spirit Himself bears witness with **our spirit** that we are children of God.

# What is a Human Spirit

- It is the spiritual part of man, for those who have been regenerated or born again.
- It is a receiver and repository of understood Bible doctrine.
- It is a transmitter of faith.
- It is the perceiver (eyes and ears) of spiritual information

# Points on Human Spirit

1. The Human Spirit Exists
2. Adam Possessed a Human Spirit
3. Adam Lost the Human Spirit at the Fall
4. The Unbeliever Has No Human Spirit
5. The Believers Possess a Human Spirit
6. The Human Spirit Has Spiritual Function



# The Human Spirit Exists

- It is distinguished from the human soul
- Hebrews 4:12
- 1 Thessalonians 5:23

# Hebrews 4:12

(NASB) For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

(Wuest) For actively alive is the Word of God and energetic, and sharper than any two-edged sword, going through even to the dividing of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow and is a sifter and analyzer of the reflections and conceptions of the heart.





# 1 Thessalonians 5:23

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# Adam Possessed a Human Spirit

- Genesis 2:7 Then the Lord God formed man of dust from the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life (literally lives, plural); and man became a living being



# The Unbeliever Has No Human Spirit

- 1 Corinthians 2:14
- Jude 19
- Genesis 6:3
- John 16:8-11
- 1 Corinthians 2:14-16



# The Believer Has a Human Spirit

- 1 Thessalonians 5:23
- Romans 8:16
- Job 32:8



# The Human Spirit Has Spiritual Function

- Perception of Spiritual Information
- Storage of Spiritual Information
- Talking to God
- Illustration: It is Like a Cell Phone
  - Receiver for Spiritual Information
  - Storage of Received Information
  - Transmitter of Spiritual Application to God



# The Seven Ministries of the Holy Spirit at Salvation

1. The Unbeliever Receives Efficacious Grace
2. The Unbeliever is Regenerated
3. The Believer is Sealed by the Holy Spirit
4. The Believer is Baptized by the Holy Spirit
5. The Believer is Indwelt by the Holy Spirit
6. The Believer Receives Spiritual Gifts from the Holy Spirit
7. The Believer is Filled by the Holy Spirit

[based upon Thieme's teaching Ephesians 1984 series lesson 57]