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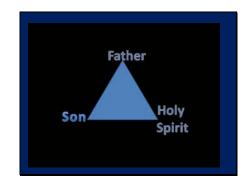
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• "...because upwards of 150 passages of Scripture condition salvation upon believing only (cf. John 3:16; Acts 16:31)

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SLBC Statement of Faith

Article 3.6-God has provided the remedy for our disobedience by sending His Son, Jesus Christ, to be the sacrifice for our sins. God has determined that we do not receive forgiveness as a result of our religious deeds or other good works, no matter how well intended, but only by personal faith in Jesus Christ. Those who receive Jesus Christ as their Savior are at that point born of the Spirit and are assured of an eternity in Heaven. (Romans 5:6-9; Romans 4:5; Ephesians 2:8,9; John 3:5-18).

Article 3.6

Article XI—Assurance

• We believe it is the privilege, not only of some, but of <u>all</u> by the Spirit through faith who are born again in Christ as revealed in the Scriptures, to be <u>assured</u> of their salvation from the <u>very day</u> they take Him to be their Savior and that this assurance is <u>not</u> founded upon any fancied discovery of their own <u>worthiness</u> or fitness, but wholly upon the testimony of God in His <u>written Word</u>, exciting within His children filial love...

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Cross References

Gen 1:1-In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

1 John 4:8-for God is love.

1 John 2:2-and He Himself is the propitiation for our sins; and not for ours only, but also for *those of* the whole world.

Heb 2:9-He might taste death for everyone.

1 Tim 2:6-who gave Himself as a ransom for all

Gal 1:3-4-Christ, ⁴ who gave Himself for our sins

Gal 2:20-the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me

Eph 5:25-Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her

Matt 21:33-37-"Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who PLANTED A VINEYARD AND PUT A WALL AROUND IT AND DUG A WINE PRESS IN IT, AND BUILT A TOWER, and rented it out to vine-growers and went on a journey. ³⁴ When the harvest time approached, he sent his slaves to the vine-growers to receive his produce. ³⁵ The vine-growers took his slaves and beat one, and killed another, and stoned a third.

³⁶ Again he sent another group of slaves larger than the first; and they did the same thing to them. ³⁷ But afterward he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.'

Matt 11:28-Come to Me, all who are weary and heavy-laden, and I will give you rest.

Rev 22:17-The Spirit and the bride say, "Come." And let the one who hears say, "Come." And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who wishes take the water of life without cost

Acts 16:30-31-and after he brought them out, he said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household."

Rom 4:5-But to the one who does not work, but believes in Him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is credited as righteousness

John 14:6-Jesus *said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me

Acts 4:12-And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved.

1 Tim 2:5-For there is one God, *and* one mediator also between God and men, *the* man Christ Jesus

Rev 14:11-And the smoke of their torment goes up forever and ever; they have no rest day and night, those who worship the beast and his image, and whoever receives the mark of his name

2 Pet 3:9-The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance

Dan 12:2-Many of those who sleep in the dust of the ground will awake, these to everlasting life, but the others to disgrace *and* everlasting contempt.

Matt 25:46-These will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.

John 5:24-Truly, truly, I say to you, he who hears My word, and believes Him who sent Me, has eternal life, and does not come into judgment, but has passed out of death into life.

1 John 5:13-These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life

Gen 2:17-but from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat from it you will surely die

Eph 2:1-And you were dead in your trespasses and sins

John 10:10-The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I came that they may have life, and have *it* abundantly.

Rom 16:26-but now is manifested, and by the Scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the eternal God, has been made known to all the nations, *leading* to obedience of faith

John 10:27-29-My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me; ²⁸ and I give eternal life to them, and they will never perish; and no one will snatch them out of My hand. ²⁹ My Father, who has given *them* to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch *them* out of the Father's hand

Heb 13:20-21-Now the God of peace, who brought up from the dead the great Shepherd of the sheep through the blood of the eternal covenant, *even* Jesus our Lord, ²¹ equip you in every good thing to do His will, working in us that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom *be* the glory forever and ever. Amen.