

"WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?"

Listen! It is quite clear, that a man who is lost cannot save himself. He would not be lost, if he could. But there is Another who is able to save, the "one Mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave Himself a ransom for all." (1 Tim. ii. 5, 6.) HE IS THE SAVIOUR, and the blessed answer to your question is simply this:

"BELIEVE ON THE LORD JESUS CHRIST, AND THOU SHALT BE SAVED." (Acts xvi. 31.)

No work that you can do could possibly save you from impending judgment. But Christ has given Himself a ransom for all, and in virtue of His atoning sacrifice, God is just, and the justifier of him who believes in Jesus.

Works are excluded, in the matter of salvation. Scripture says, "To him that worketh not," "not of works, lest any man should boast." (Rom. iv. 5; Eph. ii. 9). There can be no acceptable works until after salvation is known. James says: "I will shew thee my faith by my works." Thus the works of the believer are the evidence before men of the reality of faith. The works of an unbeliever are only "dead works." (Heb. ix. 14). Christian works are the fruit of living faith. So, then, before there can be acceptable works, there must be the presence of faith as a living spring of action within—the faith that saves the soul. Thus works have no place whatever in the saving of the soul. Works are excluded. Boasting is excluded.

Salvation is by grace. "By grace are ye saved."

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