

Roman Road To Salvation

The Roman Road to salvation is a collection of verses from the book of Romans explaining God's free gift of eternal life. Follow these verses to learn why we need salvation, God's plan of salvation, how to receive salvation, God's promise of eternal life, and the results of salvation.

1st Stop on the Roman Road . . .

Why We Need Salvation – The Fact Of Our Sin

Romans 3:23: *“For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.”*

We must recognize that we are **sinners** and that we do not meet God's perfect standards. Sin is serious in God's sight and includes thoughts, words and actions. All sin (i.e. hatred and lust) makes us sinners not just the big, obvious sins like murder and adultery (Romans 5:12).

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Man's Inability

Romans 3:10: *“As it is written: There is no one righteous, not even one.”*

No one can **earn** right standing with God. We must understand that our good deeds or religion are unacceptable to God because our good works cannot cancel out our sin. For a view of man's sinful condition, read Romans 3:10-18.

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The Penalty Of Sin

Romans 6:23: *“For the wages of sin is death but the gift of God is eternal life.”*

God's holiness demands a penalty (consequence) for our sin, which is death. **Eternal** death is separation from God forever in Hell. God is a just God, and He demands punishment for every sin. Justice is getting what we deserve, because of our sin, we deserve death.

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God's Plan Of Salvation

Romans 5:8: *“But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.”*

God sent His Son Jesus Christ to **pay** the penalty for our sin by dying on the cross. God is a God of mercy and He sent Jesus to take our sin upon Himself and the punishment we deserve. Mercy is not getting what we deserve, we deserve death, and Jesus took our place.

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Man's Responsibility

Romans 10:9-10: *“That if you confess with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved.”*

We must **believe** that the Lord Jesus Christ is the Son of God Who died for us on the cross, rose from the dead, and is Lord. We must put our **trust** in Jesus alone to make us right with God. Salvation involves believing in our hearts (inward belief) and an outward confession that Jesus is Lord.

Romans 10:13: *“For everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”*

There is no complicated formula to salvation; Jesus paid the price of our sin for us. Our response is to accept Jesus as our Lord and Savior. If we do, we will be saved from eternal death in Hell to eternal life in Heaven.

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Results Of Salvation

Romans 8:1: *“Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.”*

By accepting Jesus' death as a **payment** for our sins, we will never be condemned for our sins.

Romans 5:1: *“Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.”*

Peace with God means we have been reconciled to Him through Jesus Christ. We can now have a relationship with the living God because sin no longer separates us from Him.

The Plan of Salvation is as easy as A-B-C

- **Admit** that you have sinned against God and ask Him for forgiveness.
- **Believe** that the Lord Jesus Christ is the Son of God Who died for you on the cross, rose from the dead, and is Lord.
- **Call** upon Jesus Christ to be your Lord and Savior.