Jesus Christ: the Author of Salvation

Heb. 5:8,9

Introduction:

- A. Jesus is author of our salvation in every way.
 - 1. Its cause.
 - 2. Its designer.
 - 3. Its executor.
- B. Jesus is author of our salvation as described in Heb. 2:1-4:

Discussion:

II. It Is "Great".

- A. Because of its author. (text)
- B. Because of its benefits.
 - 1. Saved from sin.
 - a. As aliens. (Acts 2:38; 22:16).
 - b. As children of God. (1 Jno. 1:7-2:1).
 - 2. Saved from wrath. (2 Thess. 1:7-9; Rev. 21:3-8).
 - 3. Saved for better life here and hereafter. (Tit. 2:11,12).
- C. Because of it scope. (Possible for all men everywhere to be saved.)

III. It Is "Spoken".

- A. Does not rely on subjective feelings.
- B. Does rely on objective word from God. (John 12:48; Matt. 24:35).
 - 1. Have His word on salvation. (Mt. 28:18-20; Mk. 16:16).
 - 2. Have His word on heaven, (John 14:2).

IV. It Is "Confirmed".

- A. Inspired spokesmen *claimed* H.S. guidance. (cf. John 14:26).
- B. Inspired spokesmen *confirmed* claims by miracles. (cf. Mt. 9:1-8).
- C. Inspired Book written by inspired men self-evidently miraculous.
- D. Inspired Book confirmed to use the salvation first spoken.

V. It Is Eternal.

- A. Eternal in world to come. (Mk. 10:30; cf. Rom. 13:11).
- B. Salvation begins with forgiveness, completed at the end. (cf. Rev. 2:10).

VI. It Is Conditional. (Can Be Neglected).

- A. Salvation from alien sins conditional. (Mk. 16:16; Acts 2:38; 22:16).
- B. Salvation from sins as Christians conditional. (1 John 1:9; Acts 8:22).
- C. Eternal Salvation conditional. (Heb. 5:8,9; 1 Cor. 10:12; Heb. 3:12-19).

Conclusion:

- A. Is Jesus the author of YOUR salvation?
- B. Are you neglecting the salvation offered by Jesus?