

# Who Then Can Be Saved?

Matt. 19:24-25

## Introduction:

- A. Disciples seemed to think if salvation is so difficult for the rich “who then can be saved?”
  - 1. The rich seem to have nearly every other advantage, why not this?
  - 2. However, their question cries for an answer even today.
- B. Growing consensus among believers in God is everyone will be saved.
  - 1. Times Daily article on Sat., April 19, 2003
  - 2. Popular sentiment expressed about any dead person – regardless morals or religion.
  - 3. It makes no difference what one may have believed or how one may have lived.
  - 4. Some claim to base their view on Scriptures, others admit it is subjective (See TD article)
- C. Who does the Bible say will be ultimately saved in heaven?

## Discussion:

- I. Only Morally Upright People Will Be Saved.**
  - A. 1 Cor. 6:9-10; Gal. 5:19-21; Rev. 21:8
  - B. But, not all morally upright will be saved:
- II. Only Believers God Will Be Saved.**
  - A. Not just any God (Ex. 34:14; Matt. 4:20)
  - B. Heb. 11:6; Rev. 21:8)
  - C. But, not all believers in God will be saved.
- III. Only Believers in Jesus as the Son of God Will Be Saved.**
  - A. John 8:24; 1 Cor. 15:1-4
  - B. But, not all believers in Jesus will be saved.
- IV. Only Obedient Believers Will Be Saved.**
  - A. 2 Thess. 1:7-9; Heb. 5:8-9.
  - B. Some specifics of obeying the gospel
    - 1. Mark 16:15-16; Acts 17:30; Acts 2:38)
    - 2. Obeying form of doctrine (Rom. 6:17, 4; 1 Cor. 15:1-4)
  - C. But, not all obedient believers will be saved.
- V. Only Enduring Obedient Believers Will Be Saved.**
  - A. Matt. 10:22; Rev. 2:10;
  - B. Heb. 10:25-29, 34-39
  - C. Cannot endure without forgiveness (1 John 1:7-2:1)

## Conclusion:

- A. The saved and the church are the same (Acts 2:47; Eph 5:23-24)
- B. Salvation is offered to all, but not all will be saved.