

Prayer List



Of Our Number

- ◆ Janice Carnley—health problems
- ◆ Eloise Hoffman—lung cancer
- ◆ Florene Howze—health problems
- ◆ Hannah Lawson—expecting
- ◆ Jim Ward—health problems

Others in Need

- ◆ Al Aplin—upcoming surgery 8/6
- ◆ Deb Aplin—surgery recovery
- ◆ Belinda Crawford and family
- ◆ Eugene Crowe (Martha Wynn's grandfather)—doing better lately
- ◆ Whitney Derrick—heart issues; expecting
- ◆ Bob Duke—health problems
- ◆ Austin Dunlap—surgery soon
- ◆ Monica Elam—rehabilitation
- ◆ Jessie Garnes' sister—critical
- ◆ Amelia Hogan (Wynns' niece)—cystic fibrosis; respiratory infection
- ◆ Wanda Hunter—stage 4 cancer
- ◆ Thad McCall—health problems
- ◆ Phillip Vanwinkle—stage 5

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cancer; critical condition

- ◆ Chris Wynn's father and mother—health problems
- ◆ Pray also for those who have lost loved ones, first responders, police officers, government leaders, military, those traveling, alien sinners, those fallen away, our enemies, the church at Baker and worldwide.

To Our Visitors



We are happy and honored that you are here! Please fill out a visitor's card and give us a chance to get to know you. If you have any questions about anything said or done in Bible class or worship, please ask. We seek to give a Bible answer for everything we do (Colossians 3:17; 1 Peter 3:15; 4:11).

Events



October 13-17
Our Gospel Meeting with Garland Robinson preaching

Privileged to Serve



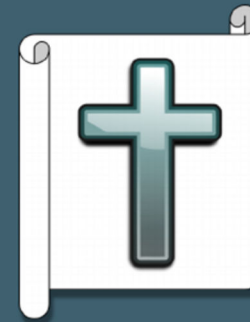
Announcements—Mark Howze
Song Leading—David Howze (Sun.)
Caleb Howze (Wed.)

Serving the Lord's Supper
Head: Glenn Howze
Helpers: Justin Derrick, Leo Derrick, Ethan Howze

Lord's Supper PM
Head: Mark Howze
Helper: Ethan Howze

Scripture Reading—Johnny Moss

Faithful Worship — **1) Praying** to God the Father in the name of Jesus Christ (Luke 11:1-2; John 16:23; Eph. 5:20; Phil. 4:6); **2) Singing** without mechanical instruments (Matt. 26:30; Eph. 5:19; Col. 3:16-17; Heb. 2:12); **3) Preaching** God's Word (Mark 16:15-16; Acts 2:42; 20:7); **4) Giving** as prospered, cheerfully (1 Cor. 16:1-2; 2 Cor. 9:7); **5) The Lord's Supper** on the first day of every week (Matt. 26:26-28; Acts 20:7; 1 Cor. 11:20-34; 16:2; Heb. 10:23-31).



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Meeting Times

Sundays:

- 10AM Bible Class
- 11AM Worship
- 5:30PM Pew Packers
- 6PM Worship

Wednesdays:

- 7PM Bible Class

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A Few Words from Jason

Two denominational preachers and their entire congregations have been converted out of error and into the Lord's church! In a recent evangelistic effort in India, brother Vandan Kumar (who translates my weekly online class) baptized a total of 43 people into Christ. Some had been Pentecostals, and some had been Baptists. Truth prevails again, and to God be all glory.

A new term has begun with me teaching online with Four Seas College of the Bible and Missions in Singapore. I'm teaching Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy, which is a lot of ground to cover in one term (137 chapters). One of the students and his brother were the first Christian converts in their country, as far as we know. He is from Timor, which is an island north of Australia.

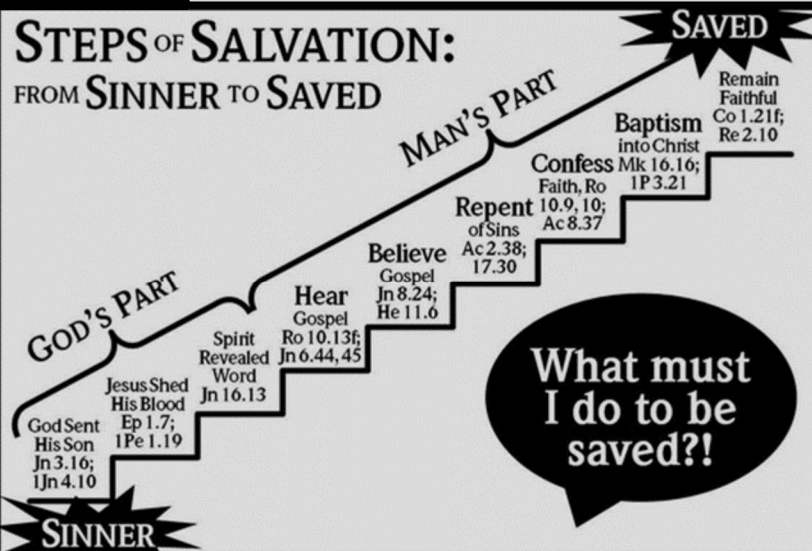
Parallelism in the Scriptures

Jason Patrick Hilburn

When Paul wrote, "giving thanks...unto God and the Father" (Ephesians 5:20), was he referring to more than one being receiving thanks, or describing the same being in two different ways? He was referring to the First Person of the Godhead in two different ways. He is both God and Father. A relatable example would be words like this said at a funeral: "I will miss my sister and my friend." One person is under consideration, described as both a sister and a friend. The American Standard Version translates the phrase as: "to God,

STEPS OF SALVATION: FROM SINNER TO SAVED

"...ye were the servants of sin..."
(Romans 6:17).



What must I do to be saved?!

"...but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you. Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness" (Rom. 6:17b-18).

even the Father,” and the New King James as: “to God the Father.”

Here are some examples in the New Testament that are like Ephesians 5:20:

“We give thanks to **God and the Father** of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you” (Colossians 1:3).

“And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to **God and the Father** by him” (Colossians 3:17).

“Pure religion and undefiled before **God and the Father** is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world” (James 1:27).

“**The God and Father** of our Lord Jesus Christ, which is blessed for evermore, knoweth that I lie not” (2 Corinthians 11:31).

“Blessed be **the God and Father** of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ” (Ephesians 1:3).

“**One God and Father** of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all” (Ephesians 4:6).

“Blessed be **the God and Father** of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead” (1 Peter 1:3).

See the phrase “God our Father” in these passages: Romans 1:7; 1 Corinthians 1:3; 2 Corinthians 1:2; Ephesians 1:2; Philippians 1:2; Colossians 1:2; 1 Thessalonians 1:1; 2 Thessalonians 1:1,2; 1 Timothy 1:2; Philemon 1:3.

The following are Old Testament examples of saying the same thing in more than one way, called synonymous parallelism:

“Deliver my soul, O LORD, from **lying lips**, and from a **deceitful tongue**” (Psalm 120:2).

“My son, despise not the **chastening** of the LORD; neither be weary of his **correction**” (Proverbs 3:11).

“Surely he hath **borne our griefs**, and **carried our sorrows**: yet we did esteem him **stricken, smitten** of God, and afflicted. But he was **wounded for our transgressions**, he was **bruised for our iniquities**...” (Isaiah 53:4, 5).

When Paul wrote to Christians, he would sometimes describe them as *saints* or *the faithful* in the same sentence. He was not referring to two categories of people, but one:

“Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, to the **saints** which are at Ephesus, and to **the faithful** in Christ Jesus: Grace be to you, and peace, from **God our Father**, and from the Lord Jesus Christ. Blessed be **the God and Father** of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ” (Ephesians 1:1-3).

“To **the saints and faithful brethren** in Christ which are at Colosse: Grace be unto you, and peace, from **God our Father** and the Lord Jesus Christ” (Colossians 1:2).

This is similar to passages like Psalm 31:23, which describe the faithful as saints: “O love the LORD, all ye his **saints**: for the LORD preserveth the **faithful**...” If we separate saints from faithful brethren, we deviate from the Truth and move toward Catholicism. We need to be aware of these types of expressions to really understand the Text.

Paul also used a similar writing style when describing the qualifications of elders to Titus, simultaneously referring to them as bishops: “For this cause left I thee in Crete, that thou shouldest set in order the things that are wanting, and **ordain elders** in every city, as I had appointed thee...For a **bishop** must be blameless...” (Titus 1:5-7). Some erroneously teach that elders are distinct from bishops, perhaps because they fail to understand this type of expression in the Scriptures.

Since this type of language is used quite often in God’s Word, readers should consider that the Text may be describing the same thing in more than one way, instead of assuming that totally separate things, ideas, or beings are under consideration.