



SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

Saved by the Grace of God

Ephesians 2:1-10

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Say it in a sentence: God is at work saving sinners by grace through faith for good works.

Do you have a story about being saved in a natural sense (from something other than sin)? Tell it.

Did you watch Nik Wallenda cross the Grand Canyon on a wire? How does his journey parallel salvation?

What impacted you about the story of Mike and Lynn Norred?

Do you have a salvation story? If you don't have a salvation story, you don't have salvation. Can you share your story right now using the four-fold plotline identified in the message?

Big Trouble – “I realized I was dead in my sin when...”

Loud Cry – “I decisively and publically expressed my faith in Christ by...”

Redeeming Love – “God's grace became real to me through...”

Transforming Thanks – “God has transformed me. I used to... But now I”

We are saved by grace through faith. If your faith is fuzzy you will experience doubts about your salvation.

Inconclusive decisions:

Have you made an inconclusive decision about your salvation? Is your confidence in salvation based on something you did or an experience you had (going to church, praying a prayer, walking an isle, etc.) or a work of grace that God did? Was the decision that you made to follow Christ confirmed by transformational change over time? Is God still changing you?

Indecisive conclusions:

Have you made an **indecisive conclusion** about your salvation? Is your confidence in salvation based on religious associations and processes of growth rather than a point of spiritual birth? Can you identify a point of decision to trust Christ for salvation?

Do you need to be saved? Profess faith in Christ in this decisive moment. God's grace brings a conclusive transformation resulting in salvation.

Additional Scripture

Matthew 1:21

Romans 5:9-10

Romans 10:9-13

1 Corinthians 1:18,21

1 John 5:11-13

2 Corinthians 13:5-6

John 5:24

John 3:18, 36

2 Corinthians 5:21

Colossians 2:6-7

