

**TELECAST SERMON FOR
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“SALVATION”
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Thank you Melvin!

It has been very heart-warming and a true privilege, indeed receiving your calls, written correspondence and verbal expressions of deep admiration and esteem for our talented Choir, Band, Orchestra and various vocal and instrumental groups, who diligently participate in the musical portion of our weekly telecasts.

However, no matter how awesome their performances or presentations may be, remember that paramount and above all else on these telecasts is the inspiring "Word of God," for it not only "quenches one's thirst," it is the very "staff of life, itself," and truly, "food for the hungry soul."

Often times people unwarily become attached to a preacher, a pastor, a priest, or a minister, far more than Jesus. This, in my opinion, can lead to unwarranted situations, which can result in great personal disappointments, such as we have occasionally witnessed in the news media.

Man is weak; man fails, but you can be sure, JESUS NEVER FAILS. The star of our weekly telecasts, viewers, is certainly, JESUS, and you should always hang your laurels upon Him. Therefore, with that thought in mind, my sermon today is entitled, **“SALVATION.”**

Today the world is in the state of being uneasy, apprehensive, and worried at what may happen now and in the future. Men's hearts are failing them for fear as they look upon face of the earth.

Nations are rising against nations, races against races, cultures against cultures, and where one, least expects it, religion against religion in various parts of the world. No question about it, we are living in perilous times and in the last days.

There is danger all around us, in the air, upon the land, and in the sea. All these things are going to fall like a snare upon the face of the whole earth because of sin and unbelief. Judgement is coming, just as sure as "Jesus is coming soon."

There is no way that man will ever get away from his sins, disobedience, poverty and worldly perplexities until he turns to Jesus as his personal Savior.

As Matthew 11:28 tells us, "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Only Jesus has the power to preserve man from the impending evil forces, which encompass him daily, and save his soul from eternal damnation.

Although a Christian is free from the bondage of sin, as long as we live on earth, the old sinful nature is still within the body, showing itself whenever the believer ceases, for one moment, to yield his will to Christ. Being free from the bondage of sin permits a believer to do God's will.

Thank the Lord for the Followers of the Lord who have fought the war against sin. They endured the tests, trials, and persecutions to keep "The Gospel of The Kingdom of God" alive.

Here in the State of Hawaii, "The Gospel" has been preached for over 102 years, and will continue to be preached until the Lord Jesus returns in clouds of glory.

Ever since Adam and Eve fell into sin in the Garden of Eden, sin has plagued the human race. But, Thank the Lord he gave a promise of a cure. That cure is known as salvation.

Salvation means to save; deliverance; to set free from sin; to save from the consequences of sin. We read in Romans 6:23, "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."

Many people are searching the world for the path to Salvation, but few are finding it. There are only two roads to be found in life. The first road leads to joy, peace and eternal life, the other to eternal sorrow and everlasting destruction.

Every man, woman, and child in the world, regardless of race, color, or creed, is at this very moment, traveling upon one road or the other. But few are finding the road to joy, peace, and eternal life.

We read in Matthew 7:13-14. "Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it."

The illogical and vain ideas conceived by many who contend that living a good moral life, and being a good member of any church, are sufficient means to enter heaven, are simply incorrect and far from the truth.

Keep in mind, "Narrow is The Way that leads to Life and Few there be that Find it." Unfortunately, countless millions of Christians, as well as sinners, are heading into oblivion and eternal doom, having neither God nor hope.

The broad road, which leads to destruction, is a crooked road, so that anyone, walking upon it, is never able to see just what lies ahead and around the curve. With each new turn of the road, he finds himself committing sins more vile than the ones before.

Why is the road that crooked? It is the trail of the serpent and devil. The same serpent who deceived eve in the Garden of Eden, and who is still deceiving nations today.

The broad road looks inviting. It is strewn with glittering lights and worldly pleasures at every turn. This road is easy to enter. It takes just a little disobedience, a little white lie, for getting to watch and pray, or wandering away from God and his promises.

One sin will lead to a greater one, till soon one is so badly entangled and slipping at such a rapid pace, it seems impossible to stop and go back.

God's Word tells us it is better to enter life halt or maimed, rather than enter hell with two good hands, eyes and legs.

Which road, viewers, are you selecting, the narrow one in which you serve God, or the broad one, which has Satan as the master. The choice is yours. Salvation is an Individual matter.

Thank the Lord for the "Good News of Salvation:" The Good News That Jesus Saves, Jesus Heals, Jesus Baptizes With the Holy Ghost and With Fire, and Jesus Is Coming Soon.

The sign on the roof of the Apostolic Faith Church located at 1043 Middle Street, as well at The Branch Churches, is no lie. Many Bible scriptures relate to the Lord's coming again: Matthew 24:30 and Mark 13:26, among them.

However, many do not take the warning of the "Jesus Coming Soon" sign seriously by asking, "When is he coming," instead of "am I ready for his coming?"

Those who are only interested in "when" are on the path to eternal sorrow. There is hope for all those who accept Jesus Christ as their personal savior.

Over 2000 years ago, a man named Nicodemus approached Jesus to inquire about salvation and entering God's kingdom, because he had witnessed the many miracles performed by the Lord.

The blind saw again, the deaf heard, the lame walked, the dead raised up, those who witnessed these events, knew that God was in Jesus.

We read in John 3:3-4, "Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. Nicodemus saith unto him, how can man be born when he is old? Can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born?"

As with many who are confused today, Nicodemus was confused between Spiritual birth and natural birth. We read in John 3:5. "Jesus answered, Verily, Verily I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God."

To be Born of Water is to be baptized in water, that is completely be immersed into water, in the Name of The Lord Jesus Christ. Jesus himself set the example of baptism when John the Baptist baptized him in the river of Jordan.

We read in Matthew 3:16, “and Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him.”

To be Born of the Spirit, TV viewers, is to receive the Holy Spirit within you and speak in tongues. We read in Acts 2:3-4, “And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.”

The speaking in tongues is the only bible evidence of receiving the gift of the Holy Ghost. Many who witnessed the hundred and twenty, being filled with the Holy Ghost and speaking in tongues, were amazed. In doubt, they accused those speaking in tongues as being full of wine.

But the apostle Peter stepped forward and began preaching “The Gospel” to them. When those who doubted, asked Peter, “What Shall We Do?”

We read in Acts 2:38, “Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.”

There is a false belief among many that there are three entities in Heaven: Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

This conception might be attributed to Matthew 28: 18-19, “And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, all power is given unto me in Heaven and in Earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.”

Please take note that Father is in the Singular. Father is not a name, Son is not a name, and Holy Ghost is not a name. They are only titles. The name of the Father Is Jesus, the name of the Son Is Jesus, and the name of the Holy Ghost Is Jesus.

We read in I John 5:7, “For there are three that bear record in Heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one.”

We also read in Acts 4:12, “Neither is there salvation in any other; for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.”

If baptism was emphasized by Jesus, How can anyone say it not be required today. It is important for everybody to consider his or her salvation, because the saving of the soul is precious in the eyes of God. Jesus is knocking at the “door of your heart.”

Therefore, won't you let him in? Jesus can use your life, as a means to knock on the doors of sinful hearts, if you will but live rightly by him.

There is a dilemma, which prevails upon the hearts of men and woman today. They hear Jesus knocking at their hearts' doors, yet, they turn him away. They feel the convicting power of the Holy Spirit, and realize their need of the Savior, but then they back up or return into the world and become lost forever.

Why won't people let Jesus into their hearts? The answer is sin. Today the world is sin sick: sick in the head, sick in the mouth, and sick in the heart

Occult practice is very evident today: i.e., in its obvious form of satanic worship and deceptive rituals of finding inner peace through mysticism, crystal balls, seeking communication with spirits of the dead, and devices of new-age worship. The heart of the man is continually evil. Being just or upright does not make one righteous in the eyes of God.

The Apostle Paul has given us a very elaborate and detailed description of what is happening across the face of the land, and what is occupying the hearts and minds of men. All these occur because man has forgotten God, and fails to answer the knocking upon his door.

The following have been wrongly emphasized: holding the truth in unrighteousness, glorifying him not as God, being unthankful, having evil imaginations, having a reprobate mind which is condemned by God, being haters of God,

inventing evil things and knowing of the judgment and penalty of sin, disregarding his warnings, and continuing in these sins and finding pleasure in them. Many have forgotten that God is greater than man, and he will not be mocked.

Jesus tells us that he comes to sup with us, and we with Him. He brings a feast of good things for the hearts. Every person who is truly born of water and of the Spirit and "walking in the light," can testify that Jesus brings the kind of peace, joy, and happiness that no one in the world can give.

There is no feeling in the entire world that compares with the feeling experienced by those who found and accepted Jesus as Savior and Lord.

Television Viewers, do you want to experience the kind of joy that lifts you up in spite of the cares of this world? Then take Jesus as your personal savior.

Do you want the music of heaven to fill your soul? Then accept Jesus as your personal musician. If you desire to enter heaven, then you must believe that he is Lord and keep his commandments.

One of our daily requests should be that which is found in Psalms 27:4 "One thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his temple."

God will grant us this request, if we have that desire in our hearts, and have the desire to serve Him in sincerity and truth.

A scribe came to Jesus and questioned Him about the greatest commandment. Actually, what he meant was which is first in importance. We read in Mark 12:29-30, "And Jesus answered him. The first of all the commandments is, "Hear, O Israel; the Lord our God is one Lord:

And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength, this is the first commandment."

We need to put the Lord first in our lives, even ahead of our families.

There is a cross for the follower of Christ, as well as for Christ himself. A cross always means death. For the Lord Jesus, the cross-meant a cruel death as a sacrifice for our sins.

Our cross is the denying of self; Death to self for Christ's sake. The Lord cares for us and comforts us with the thought that He will provide for us.

God's Word tells us in Matthew 6:31-33, "Therefore take no thought, saying, what shall we eat? Or what shall we drink? Or, wherewithal shall we be clothed? For after all these things do the Gentiles seek: for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all things. But seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."

The Lord will also shelter us in the time of storm, and take care of our problems and burdens. He is concerned about everything in our lives, be they large or small.

So why bring only large problems to the Lord. If we don't bring our smallest problems to him, they will loom larger and be out of control later on.

In life's crises, men turn to someone or some thing for comfort and strength. Many turn to the world and friends, but Jesus tells us to take His hand and He will help us. He is the comfort for all our burdens, the strength for all our weaknesses, the answer to all our questions, and the solution to all our problems.

We read in John 14:26-27, "But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things; and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid."

When Jesus performed the miracle of feeding five thousand people with only five barley loaves and two small fishes, many followed him and wanted to declare him king. However, he told them they needed to think of spiritual things, repent of their sins, and follow Him.

As expected, the multitude started to drift away. It's easy to follow Jesus when we are on the receiving line, but many people lose interest when they are called upon to give of themselves.

There are still many people today, who are interested only in the loaves and fishes, not in Jesus. They want to live in a land, which has been made free and fine by the influence of Christianity, but they do not want to give up their substance and live for Jesus. The Lord is saying, "You can give your time to the things of the world, but they will soon pass away."

We read in I Timothy 4:8, "For bodily exercise profiteth little: but godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come."

One's spiritual life is more important than all the material things of the world. Therefore, everyone has to choose whom he or she will serve. This is the time to stand for Jesus and be counted.

Yes, television viewers, no one can make that choice for you. It is an individual matter, a matter between you and God. Now is the accepted time; now is the day of salvation.

There are those who try to keep others from following Jesus. Once, as Jesus traveled down a road, two blind men heard that he was passing by, and they cried out, "have mercy on us, O Lord, thou son of David."

But the multitudes rebuked them and told them to be quiet and not bother the Lord. The blind men kept crying out, "Have mercy on us, have mercy on us." They were persistent, and the Lord stopped and gave them sight.

Often there are those who ridicule others who try to follow the way of the Lord, and those are kept from coming to Jesus. We must force ourselves to be like the blind men, and just follow Jesus.

The Lord always stops when we call on Him. He never makes excuses and always answers our cries. He is our great, sympathetic, compassionate Savior, so that we need to move away from the things of the flesh and draw closer to Jesus.

Granted, the Christian life is not always an easy one, but I tell you this; it is the only life, which pays off, in eternal dividends. In America no one will kill us for going to church, but in some parts of the world, Christians are being persecuted and even killed for their faith and loyalty to Jesus. The Lord warns that His followers will suffer many things if they serve Him.

The Apostle Paul was a great prayer warrior. He asked the Lord to withhold situations that would hinder his efforts to preach the "Gospel of the Kingdom of God."

Yet, the Lord permitted him to suffer hardships that were far more trying and tormenting as compared to the test & trials which most of us are called upon to endure. For some this would have meant defeat, but not for Paul.

We read in II Corinthians 12:9-10, "And he said unto me, my grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake: for when I am weak then am I strong."

And Matthew 5:10-12, reads, "Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for their's is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you."

What is required of a Christian, who has been born again, according to John 3:5, Acts 2:38, and "walking in the light?"

First of all, the Lord requires an undivided heart. One of the greatest problems with many Christians today, is they love the world a lot more than they love the Lord. They conform more to the things of the world than to the things of God. Many proclaimed Christians try to serve two masters. They try to serve the Lord and also enjoy the evil pleasures of the world.

We read in Matthew 6:24; "No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon."

The Lord also requires genuine, active service, not lip service. We read in Matthew 15:8, "This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips: but their heart is far from me."

In the short time we have left, we will be faced with making crucial decisions. We need to keep in mind that there is not one word wherein the Lord failed. His promises are sure and true.

Surely, we can see the signs around us, upon the earth, and in the heavens, signaling his coming. We read in Matthew 24:42 "Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come."

Is this the year of his coming? The Lord's time is not our time, and his ways are way past finding out.

In the past if anyone had difficulty finding or serving the Lord, and felt that his life had been nothing but Spiritual emptiness, he need not worry because there is still hope. The Lord is a loving God, who cares and forgives. He stands with his arms outstretched.

Keep in mind what the Lord said in Matthew 11:28, "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

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Until our next telecast, this is your host, Head Pastor William Han, Jr. expressing my sincerest appreciation to each of you, who have allowed us to come into your homes. May the good Lord bless and keep you all in the hollow of His hands.

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