

Salvation

KEY QUESTION:

How do I have a relationship with God?

KEY IDEA:

I believe a person can have a relationship with God by God's grace through faith in Jesus Christ.

KEY VERSE:

God's grace has saved you because of your faith in Christ. Your salvation doesn't come from anything you do. It is God's gift. It is not based on anything you have done. No one can brag about earning it. *Ephesians 2:8-9*

THINK ABOUT IT

We have discovered so far that God is the one true God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We have also discovered he is not far away and uninterested in our lives; he is personal and near. He is always good. He cares deeply for us. Now we ask what may be the most important question of all: "How do I have a relationship with God?"

Our Problem

At the beginning of the Bible in the Old Testament, God created the first man, Adam, and then the first woman, Eve. He gave them a beautiful place to live. It was called the Garden of Eden. This place was all theirs, except for one tree. One tree was off-limits. Satan disguised himself as a snake in the garden. He wanted to trick Adam and Eve into doing what God said not to do. His plan worked. Adam and Eve disobeyed God and