**The Lord Jesus Christ the Complete Savior – Acts 4:12, Heb. 7:25**

Acts 4:12 – For there is salvation in no one else for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved

Heb. 7:25 – He is able to save forever those who draw near to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them

1. Jesus Christ saves forever those who draw near to Him
2. Jesus Christ lives forever as the intercessor for those who draw near to Him

**Focal Truth: The Lord Jesus Christ High Priest lives forever as intercessor in heaven for believers**

**Jesus Christ saves forever because of His heavenly work as intercessor for believer’s**

1. What is an intercessor?

 An intercessor is to go between to parties to argue, plead with one party on behalf of the other.

1. 1 John 2:1 – We have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous
2. Heb. 9:24 – For Christ did not enter a holy place made with hands, a mere copy of the true one, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us.
3. Heb. 9:11 -12 – But when Christ appeared as a high priest of good things to come, He entered through the greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this creation; and not through the blood of goats and calves, but through His own blood, He entered the holy place once for all, have obtained eternal redemption

**Jesus Christ intercessory prayer for salvation of believer’s from justification till glorification**

1. He prays in heaven that all believer’s will be safely brought home to heaven
2. John 17:9 – I ask on their behalf, I do not ask on behalf of the world, but of those whom You have given Me, for they are Yours.
3. John 17:20 – I do not ask on behalf of these alone, but for those who believe in Me through their word
4. He prays in heaven that the sins committed after conversion be forgiven them
5. John 17:15 – I do not ask You to take them out of the world, but to keep them from the evil one
6. He prays in heaven that they may grow in holiness
7. John 17:17 – Sanctify them in the truth; Your word is truth
8. John 17:11 – I am no longer in the world; and yet they themselves are in the world and I come to You. Holy Father, keep them in Your name, the name which You have given Me, that they may be one ever as We are.
9. He prays in heaven that they may see the glory of the Lord Jesus
10. John17:21 – Father, I desire that they also, whom You have given Me, be with Me where I am, so that they may see My glory which You have given Me, for You loved Me before the foundation of the world.
11. He prays in heaven that the Love of God will be in them
12. John 17:26 – and I have made Your name know to them, and will make it known, so that they love with which You loved Me may be in them, and I in them.

**Jesus Christ intercessory prayer for imperfect believer’s**

1. Saved sinners are justified without perfection
2. Col. 2:10 – for in Him you have been made complete
3. Saved sinners need an intercessor because of the evil that remains in them
4. Rom. 7:18 – 19 - for I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh; for the willing is present in me, but the doing of the good is not. For the good that I want, I do not do, but I practice the very evil that I do not want.
5. Imperfect in feelings & desires, fears, unbelief, doubts, pride, lusts, wicked desires
6. Imperfect in self-righteousness & legalism
7. Imperfect to deny & be ashamed of Christ
8. Imperfect being drawn & attracted by the world
9. Imperfect in Christian virtues
10. Imperfect faith – Lk. 22:31,32
11. Imperfect hope
12. Imperfect love
13. Imperfect humility
14. Imperfect zeal
15. Imperfect fear of God
16. Imperfect sincerity
17. Imperfect in spiritual disciplines
18. Imperfect in prayer
19. Imperfect in giving
20. Imperfect in learning & hearing God’s word
21. Imperfect in faithfulness
22. Imperfect in good works.
23. Saved sinners need an intercessor because of the endless assaults of the evil one
24. 1 Pet. 5:8 – be sober of spirit, be on the alert, your adversary, the devil, prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour
25. Saved sinners need an intercessor because of the alluring power of the world
26. Rom. 12:2 – and do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect

**Coming to Jesus Christ as a child of God**

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1. Come with boldness & confident access – Rom. 5:2, Heb. 4:16, Heb. 10:19, 1 John 3:21
2. Come in prayer, meditation & worship – Ps. 27:4
3. Come into His presence desiring to be with Him – Ps. 42: 1,2
4. Come with your personal concerns – Ps. 39: 1-8
5. Come for the killing of lusts & corruptions – Ps. 52:8 -9, Rom. 7:24
6. Come for new mercy & renewal of grace to help in times of need – Heb. 4:16
7. Come for help to overcome temptation – Matt. 6:13
8. Come for Christ’s blessing on your labor – 2 Thess. 3:1
9. Come for forgiveness of sin Ps. 19:12

He who comes to God:

1. Knows how sinful he is without salvation
2. Knows how empty the world is and cannot save
3. Knows that Jesus Christ is a high priest who saves completely