

Here Am I

GOD REVEALS AND MAN RESPONDS

GOD SHOWS HIMSELF TO US SO THAT WE MAY BELIEVE

MAN RESPONDS BY:

- OBEYING OR DISOBEYING
- ACCEPTING OR REJECTING
 - LOVING OR HATING
 - BEING FAITHFUL OR UNFAITHFUL TO



WHAT HE HAS BEEN SHOWN

MAN IS NOT A ROBOT, HE DOES HAVE A CHOICE

SALVATION IS NOT A TRAP

IF YOU ARE A CHRISTIAN, IT IS BECAUSE GOD HAS CHOSEN TO REVEAL HIMSELF TO YOU FIRST

OUR CHOOSING GOD AND REMAIN IN HIM IS EVIDENCE THAT HE HAS CHOSEN US

WE CANNOT BE SAVED UNLESS WE CHOOSE TO MAKE JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD AND SAVIOR

OUR CHOOSING TO FOLLOW CHRIST IS A NECESSARY STEP IN BECOMING A CHRISTIAN

SALVATION IS A GIFT. GOD MUST OFFER IT FIRST SO THAT WE CAN ACCEPT IT.

WE CANNOT ACCEPT GOD UNLESS HE REVEALS HIMSELF TO US FIRST.

A) God's revelation

WE COME TO A SAVING KNOWLEDGE OF GOD ONLY BY REVELATION

Mat 11:25 At that time Jesus said, "I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and **revealed them to little children.**

John 12:38 This was to fulfill the word of Isaiah the prophet: "**Lord, who has believed our message and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?**"



John 17:6 "I have revealed you to those whom you gave me out of the world. They were yours; you gave them to me and they have obeyed your word.

Rom 1:17 For in the gospel a righteousness from God is revealed, a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: "The righteous will live by faith."

Rom 1:18 The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of men who suppress the truth by their wickedness,

1- GOD OPENS OUR EYES AND EARS SO WE CAN BELIEVE

Job 13:1 "My eyes have seen all this, my ears have heard and understood it.

Job 42:5 My ears had heard of you but now my eyes have seen you.

2- GOD LOVED US FIRST

1 **John 4:19** We love because he first loved us.

3- GOD CHOSE US FIRST

Mat 22:14 "For many are invited, but few are chosen."

John 15:16 You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit--fruit that will last. Then the Father will give you whatever you ask in my name.

John 15:19 If you belonged to the world, it would love you as its own. As it is, you do not belong to the world, but I have chosen you out of the world. That is why the world hates you.

4- GOD WANTS ALL MEN TO BE SAVED

Rom 11:32 For God has bound all men over to disobedience so that he may have mercy on them all.

2 **Pet 3:9** The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

B) Man's response

WE NEED TO ASK GOD TO COME INTO OUR HEART

Mat 7:7 "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.

Luke 11:9 "So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.

Luke 11:13 If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

1- WE CAN ACCEPT or REJECT GOD'S WORD

Mark 4:20 Others, like seed sown on good soil, hear the word, accept it, and produce a crop--thirty, sixty or even a hundred times what was sown."

Rev 3:20 Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with him, and he with me.

2- WE MUST MAKE A CHOICE

Joshua 24:15-24

But if serving the LORD seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your forefathers served beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living. But as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD." Then the people answered, "Far be it from us to forsake the LORD to serve other gods!

3- WE CAN OBEY OR DISOBEY

Acts 5:32 We are witnesses of these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him."

Rom 1:5 Through him and for his name's sake, we received grace and apostleship to call people from among all the Gentiles to the obedience that comes from faith.

1 Pet 1:14 As obedient children, do not conform to the evil desires you had when you lived in ignorance.

4- WE CAN REJECT GOD'S INVITATION

1 Sam 10:19 But you have now rejected your God, who saves you out of all your calamities and distresses. And you have said, 'No, set a king over us.' So now present yourselves before the LORD by your tribes and clans."

5- WE CAN BE UNFAITHFUL BUT HE REMAINS FAITHFUL

2 Tim 2:13 if we are faithless, he will remain faithful, for he cannot disown himself.

We are saved by faith in Jesus Christ

6- WE MUST KEEP OIL IN OUR LAMPS



Matt25:1-13 The virgins who were ready went in with him to the wedding banquet. And the door was shut. "Later the others also came. 'Sir! Sir!' they said. 'Open the door for us!' "But he replied, 'I tell you the truth, I don't know you.' "Therefore keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour.

7-WE MUST STAND FIRM

WE MUST STAND FIRM UNTIL THE END

Exo 14:13 Moses answered the people, "**Do not be afraid. Stand firm and you will see the deliverance the LORD will bring you today.** The Egyptians you see today you will never see again.

8-WE MUST BE CAREFUL LEST WE FALL

Mat 7:25 The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; **yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock.**