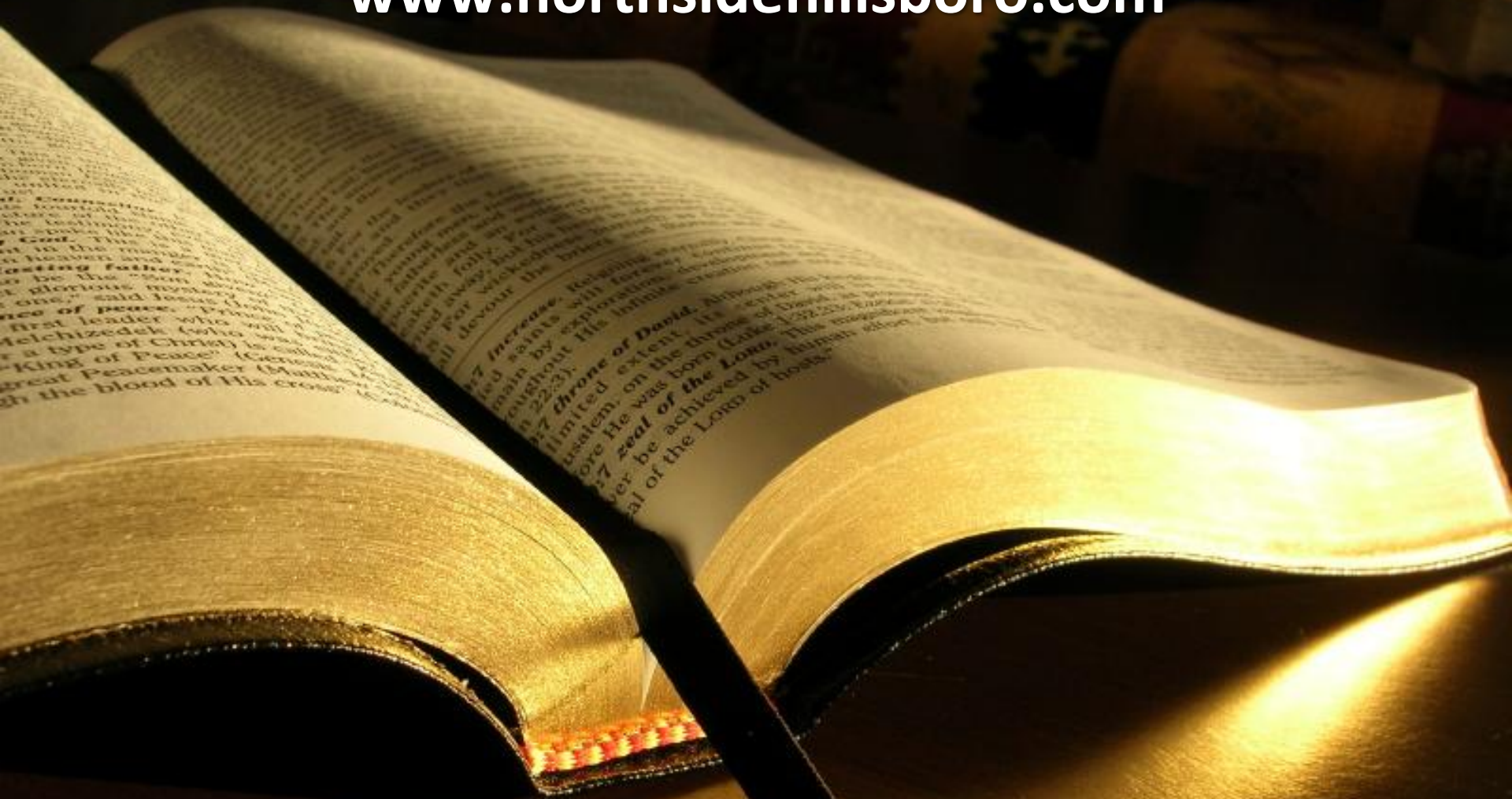


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## How To Establish Authority

- Three ways by which we can establish authority:
  - Direct command or precept.
    - This is a direct statement of what is to be done or not done.
    - Commands in the negative.  
*1 Thess. 5:22; Eph. 5:7-8*
    - Commands in the positive.  
*Acts 2:38; Luke 22:19*
    - Some commands are generic. *Matt. 28:19*

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- Three ways by which we can establish authority:
  - Approved apostolic example.
    - This is the practice of the apostles or of Christians approved by God.
    - Many practices recorded in the N.T. that apostles did not approve.  
*Gal. 2:11-14; 1 Cor. 11:20-22, 34*
    - Their example was taught in every church.  
*1 Cor. 4:16-17; Phil. 4:9; 2 Thess. 3:7-9*
    - Also the example of Christians approved by the apostles. *Acts 20:7; 3 John 5-8*

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- Three ways by which we can establish authority:
  - Necessary inference or necessary conclusion.
    - Something that is not expressly declared or exemplified, but is implied by the language used.
    - Jesus taught using necessary implication.  
***Matt. 22:23-33***
    - Thus there are certain things we can infer, even though not explicitly said. ***Acts 8:38; 1 Pet. 5:1***
    - But must understand the difference between necessary inference and forced inference.  
Exam. ***Acts 16:14-15, 31-33***

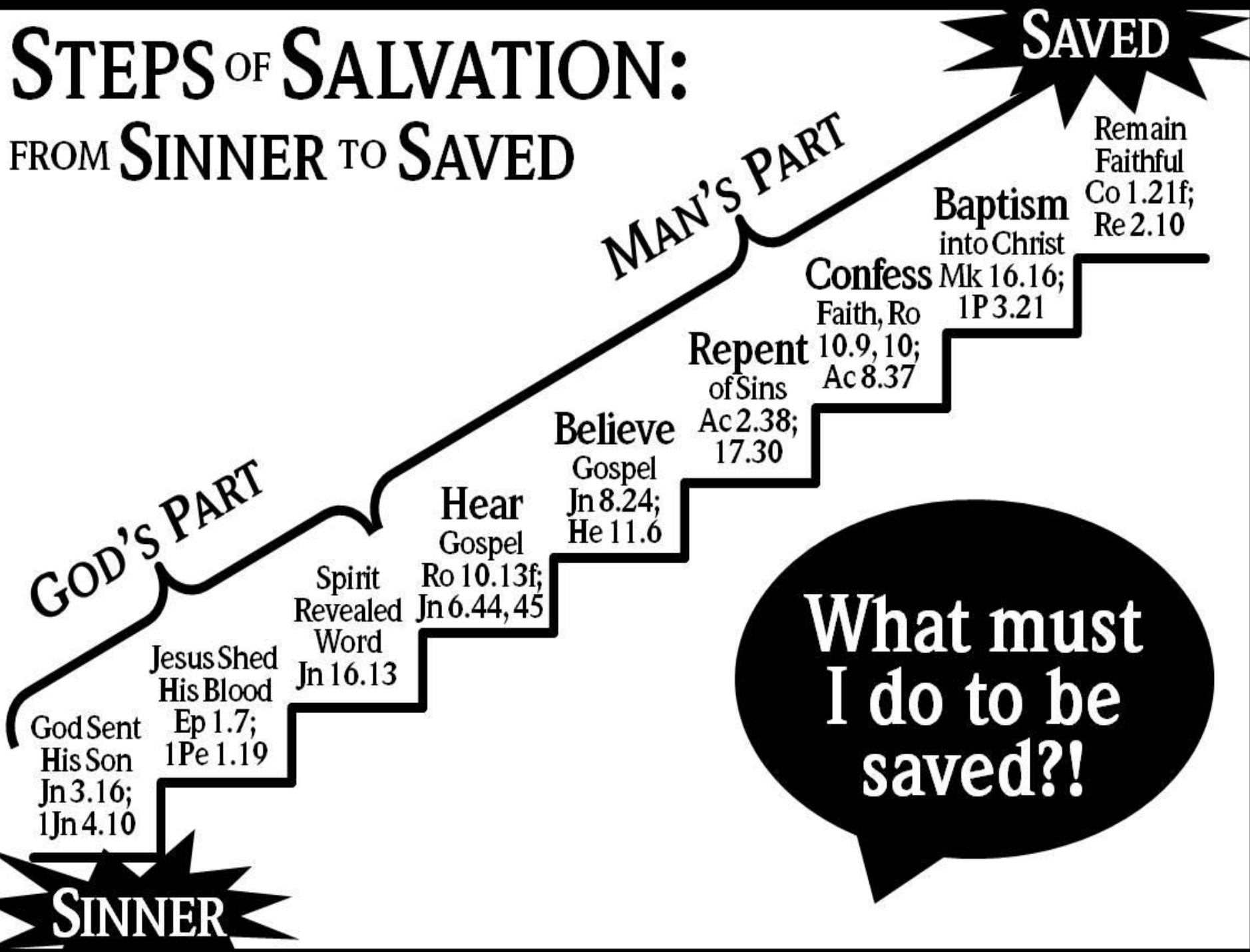
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- All three of these methods illustrated in the L. S.
  - Any one of these methods establishes authority, but we must always look at all of God's word for complete understanding of any topic. ***Psa. 119:160***
  - The L.S. commanded. ***1 Cor. 11:23-25***
  - The example of the observance of the L.S. ***1 Cor. 11:20-21; Acts 2:42***
  - The inference as to the day they practiced it. ***Acts 20:7; cf. Exo. 20:8; Num. 10:10; Lev. 23:27***

# STEPS OF SALVATION:

FROM **SINNER** TO **SAVED**



**GOD'S PART**

**MAN'S PART**

God Sent His Son  
Jn 3.16;  
1Jn 4.10

Jesus Shed His Blood  
Ep 1.7;  
1Pe 1.19

Spirit Revealed Word  
Jn 16.13

Hear Gospel  
Ro 10.13f;  
Jn 6.44, 45

Believe Gospel  
Jn 8.24;  
He 11.6

Repent of Sins  
Ac 2.38;  
17.30

Confess Faith, Ro 10.9, 10;  
Ac 8.37

Baptism into Christ  
Mk 16.16;  
1P 3.21

Remain Faithful  
Co 1.21f;  
Re 2.10

**SAVED**

**SINNER**

**What must I do to be saved?!**