

*Once Saved, Always Saved?*

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- **The doctrine:**

**“We take the position that a Christian’s sins do not damn his soul. The way a Christian lives, what he says, his character, his conduct or his attitude toward other people have nothing whatever to do with the salvation of his soul---- all the prayers a man may pray, all the Bibles he may read, all the churches he may belong to, all the services he may attend, all the sermons he may practice, all the debts he may pay, all the ordinances he may observe, all the laws he may keep, all the benevolent acts he may perform will not make**

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his soul one whit safer and all the sins he may commit from idolatry to murder will not make his soul in any more danger- the way a man lives has nothing whatever to do with the salvation of his soul- the way I live has nothing whatsoever to do with the salvation of my soul”

*(Do a Christian's Sins Damn His Soul, by Sam Morris, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Stamford, Texas)*

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**After hearing this quote, Dave Baker of Lighthouse Baptist Church in Columbia Tenn. said: “Well obviously it’s not an extreme point if you believe that once saved always saved. And for somebody to be consistent he puts every illustration there to make it very strong but yes, a person that believes once saved always saved would have to believe that or they don’t believe once saved, always saved.”**

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- The proof texts and the truth:
  - The one who believes does not come into judgment. *John 5:24*
    - If that explanation is true, then same rule must apply to *John 3:36*
  - He's sheep "will never perish" *John 10:27-28*
    - But the sheep can be drawn away. *Acts 20:28-30; 2 Tim. 4:2-4*

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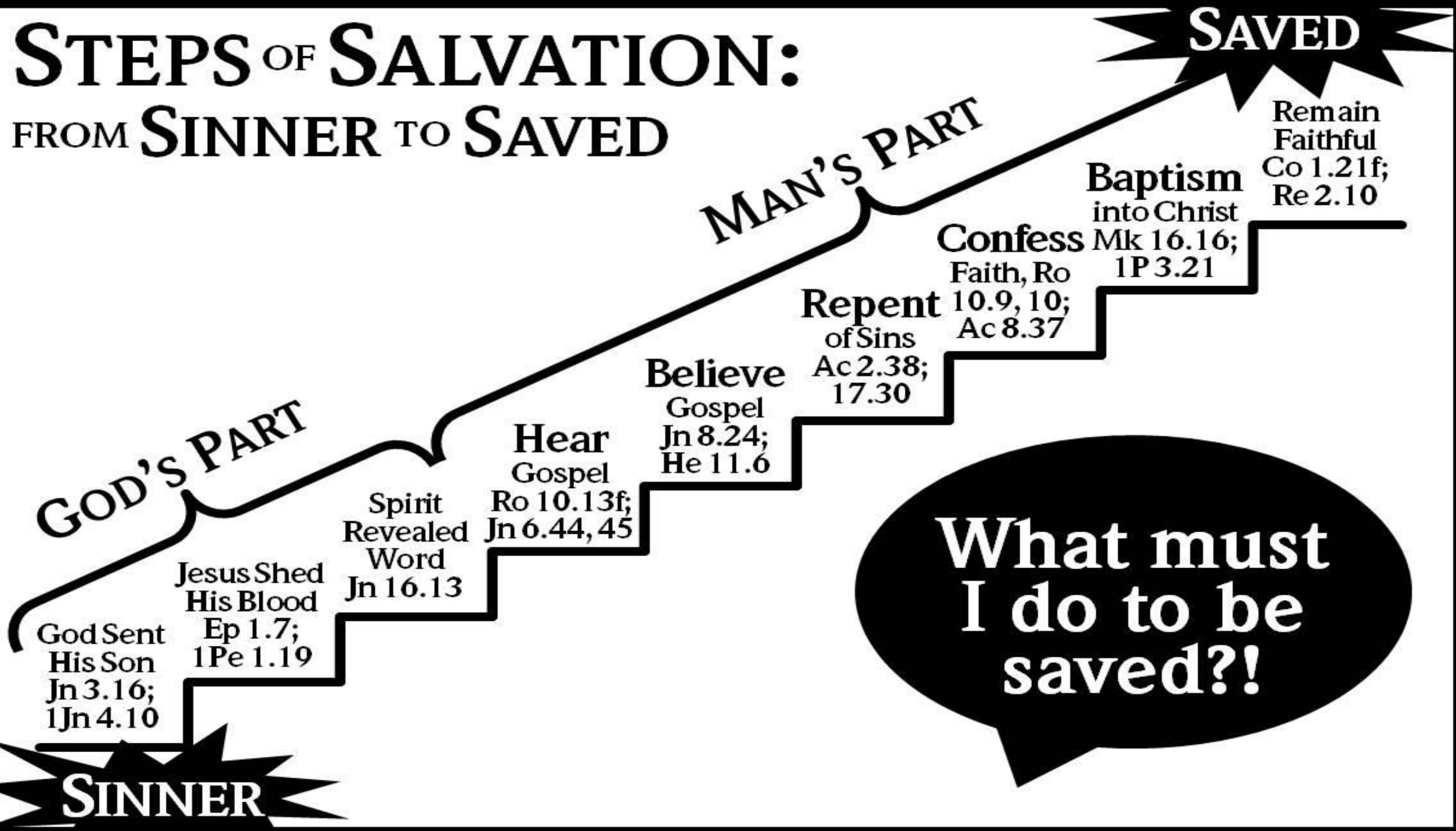
- The proof texts and the truth:
  - God is faithful, thus He will not let us be lost. *1 Cor. 1:9*
    - But we may forsake him. *1 Chro. 28:9; 2 Chro. 15:2; Ezra 8:22; Joshua 24:20*
  - The names of God's children "are in the book of life" *Phil. 4:3*
    - But one's name can be blotted out. *Exo. 32:33; Rev. 22:19; 3:5*

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- The proof texts and the truth:
  - Our inheritance is reserved in heaven. *1 Peter 1:4*
    - But is it “unconditionally” reserved? *Col. 1:21-23; Eze. 33:13*

# STEPS OF SALVATION:

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



**GOD'S PART**

**MAN'S PART**

**SAVED**

**SINNER**

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