

KNOW WHAT YOU BELIEVE - PAUL E. LITTLE

CHAPTER 7: SALVATION

Theme: Salvation is a truth that must be understood with the mind and with the heart. It has a permanent, profound impact on those who experience it.

1. Think back to your own salvation experience. What drew you to God? Did you fully understand your salvation? If you did not fully understand it, when did it become more clear to you?

2. Explain the meaning of the word repentance in practical terms.

3. How did your intellect, your emotions and your will play a part in your repentance?

4. Explain this sentence: "Faith is central to the whole Christian experience."

5. What are the elements of saving faith? What are the results of saving faith?

6. How would you describe a born-again person? (See 2 Peter 1:4; 2 Corinthians 5:17; Ephesians 4:2; Colossians 3:10.)

7. Explain the terms election, predestination and foreknowledge as they relate to salvation.

8. Explain the terms justification, sanctification and glorification as they relate to salvation.

9. How is God sanctifying you? How are you reacting to his work in your life?

10. Think of one person you know who has not experienced God's salvation. Write down some key truths you would like to share with this person from your own experience. Then begin to pray for the opportunity to speak about the great gift of salvation.

The greatest favor you can do for someone is to introduce him or her to Jesus Christ.