

Salvation Is Of God

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We have an interesting look at salvation as mentioned by many verses in the Bible. Is it the sinner who makes the first move towards God and who accepts Christ or is it God who seeks the sinner and makes the first move? You may be surprised by what you read here from Scripture.

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“Receive”	<p>It seems to be of us... John 1:12 But <u>as many as received him</u>, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:</p>	<p>but it is really of God!... John 3:27 John answered and said, <u>A man can receive nothing, except it be given him from heaven.</u></p>
“Believe” & “Faith”	<p>It seems to be of us... Acts 16:31 And they said, <u>Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved</u>, and thy house. Mark 11:22 And Jesus answering saith unto them, <u>Have faith in God.</u></p>	<p>but it is really of God!... John 6:29 Jesus answered and said unto them, This is the <u>work of God, that ye believe on him whom he hath sent.</u> Acts 13:48 And when the Gentiles heard this, they were glad, and glorified the word of the Lord: and <u>as many as were ordained to eternal life believed.</u> Philippians 1:29 For unto you <u>it is given</u> in the behalf of Christ, not only <u>to believe on him</u>, but also to suffer for his sake;</p>
“Come”	<p>It seems to be of us... John 6:37 All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and <u>him that cometh to me</u> I will in no wise cast out.</p>	<p>but it is really of God!... John 6:44 <u>No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him</u>: and I will raise him up at the last day. Psalms 65:4 Blessed is the man whom <u>thou choosest, and causest to approach</u> unto thee, that he may dwell in thy courts: we shall be satisfied with the goodness of thy house, even of thy holy temple.</p>

“Repent”

It seems to be of us...

2Peter 3:9 The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

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2Timothy 2:25 In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth; Acts 5:31 Him hath God exalted with his right hand to be a Prince and a Saviour, for to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins. Eph. 2:8,9 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.

To God Be The Glory!
