HOW TO TRULY UNDERSTAND SALVATION BY GRACE Dr. Ralph "Yankee" Arnold

Is this a true statement: "You can trust Christ as your Savior, and then you can still live as you please, and still go to heaven when you die?" The only scriptural answer must be and can only be an un-equivalent **yes**.

- **No**, can only mean that Christ was necessary but not enough to give assurance.
- No, would mean that you are not really saved by grace but by works.
- **No,** MUST mean that your security of salvation is primarily determined by the quality of your life.
- If it is not true, you must admit that you cannot have any true confidence that you are going to heaven. Therefore:
- Rom 1:16 For **I am not ashamed of the gospel** of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.
- Gal 2:5 To whom we gave place by subjection, no, not for an hour; that the **truth of the gospel** might continue with you. (*Peter, if you are really saved by grace, you cannot eat with the Gentiles- this is the same as today when someone says, "You can't be saved and")*

Why is this position so difficult for people to accept; because it is absolutely offensive to the human nature of man? It totally destroys all confidence in the flesh.

Are these salvation verses? Are these verses proof text for Salvation? The following verses show us how we **SHOULD** live not how we **MUST** live.

<u>Rom 6:4</u> Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also **should** walk in newness of life.

<u>Rom 6:6</u> Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with *him*, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we **should** not serve sin.

<u>Rom 6:12</u> Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye **should** obey it in the lusts thereof.

<u>Rom 7:6</u> But now we are delivered from the law, that being dead wherein we were held; that we **should** serve in newness of spirit, and not *in* the oldness of the letter.

<u>1Co</u> 10:6 Now these things were our examples, to the intent we **should** not lust after evil things, as they also lusted.

<u>1Co</u> 10:20 But *I* say, that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice, they sacrifice to devils, and not to God: and I would not that ye **should** have fellowship with devils.

<u>1Co</u> 12:25 That there **should** be no schism in the body; but *that* the members **should** have the same care one for another.

2Co 4:4 In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, **should** shine unto them.

<u>2Co 5:15</u> And *that* he died for all, that they which live **should** not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them, and rose again.

<u>2Co</u> 10:8 For though I **should** boast somewhat more of our authority, which the Lord hath given us for **edification**, and not for your **destruction**, I **should** not be ashamed:

<u>2Co 11:3</u> But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds **should** be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.

<u>Gal 3:1</u> O foolish Galatians, who hath bewitched you, that ye **should** not obey the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ hath been evidently set forth, crucified among you?

Gal 5:7 Ye did run well; who did hinder you that ye **should** not obey the truth?

<u>Eph 1:4</u> According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we **should** be holy and without blame before him in love:

Eph 1:12 That we **should** be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ.

<u>Eph 2:10</u> For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we **should** walk in them.

<u>Col 2:4</u> And this I say, lest any man **should** beguile you with enticing words.

<u>1Th</u> 4:3 For this is the will of God, *even* your sanctification, that ye **should** abstain from fornication:

<u>1Th 4:4</u> That every one of you **should** know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honour;

<u>Tit 2:12</u> **Teaching** us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we **should** live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world;

<u>1Pe 2:21</u> For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye **should** follow his steps:

<u>1Pe</u> 2:24 Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, **should** live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed.

<u>1Pe 3:9</u> Not rendering evil for evil, or railing for railing: but contrariwise blessing; knowing that ye are thereunto called, that ye **should** inherit a blessing.

<u>1Pe 4:2</u> That he no longer **should** live the rest of *his* time in the flesh to the <u>lusts of</u> <u>men</u>, but to the <u>will of God</u>.

<u>1Jn 3:11</u> For this is the message that ye heard from the beginning, that we **should** love one another.

<u>Jud 1:3</u> Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort *you* that ye **should** earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints.