

# Sozo!

## Lesson 3 – Outline

- I. Jesus gave Himself for our sins that He might deliver us from *this present* evil world—not just the evil world to come:

*[Jesus] gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God and our Father.*

### Galatians 1:4, brackets mine

- A. We're not just saved from hell, our sins, and future punishment—Jesus also came to deliver, protect, and provide for us in this physical world right now.
- II. The Greek word *sozo* was used over a hundred times in the New Testament.
- A. It's an all-encompassing word for salvation, often rendered “save” or “saved.”
- B. However, a closer look at how this important word was translated makes it very clear that our salvation includes much more than just forgiveness of sins.
- i. *Sozo* was translated “save” thirty-eight times in reference to the forgiveness of sins (e.g., Matt. 1:21, 1 Cor. 1:21, and Heb. 7:25,).
  - ii. It was translated another fifty-three times as “saved” (past tense) in reference to forgiveness of sins.
  - iii. There were also times where this exact same Greek word was translated as “healed” (Mark 5:23 and Acts 14:8-10).
  - iv. This same word that's used for both forgiveness of sins and physical healing also applies to deliverance from demons (Luke 8:36).
  - v. James 5:15 is a classic example of Christ's saving power manifesting in our lives both as healing and forgiveness of sins.
  - vi. This same word was also translated “made whole” in reference to healing (Matt. 9:22, Mark 6:56, and Luke 8:50).
  - vii. *Sozo* was translated “made whole” or “be whole” eleven times in Scripture (e.g., Mark 5:28)
- C. It's obvious from God's Word that salvation isn't limited only to the forgiveness of sins.
- III. Many in the modern church have interpreted salvation only to be forgiveness of sins, but that's a misrepresentation of what the Lord did.
- A. Forgiveness of our sins is certainly the centerpiece, and I am not minimizing it at all.
- B. However, at the same time Christ died to purchase our redemption from sin, He also freed us from sickness, disease, depression, and poverty.

- IV. Second Corinthians 8:9 is very clear concerning the Atonement and our redemption from poverty:

*For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich.*

- A. Through Christ's death, burial, and resurrection, God has provided everything we need in this life and in the life to come—forgiveness of sins, healing for our bodies, along with deliverance and prosperity. Isn't God good!

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## **Lesson 3 – Discipleship Questions**

1. Read Galatians 1:4. In order to deliver us from this present evil world, what did He (Jesus) give Himself for?
2. According to Matthew 1:21, why was the Son to be called Jesus?
3. Read 1 Corinthians 1:21. It pleased God by the \_\_\_\_\_ of preaching to save them that believe.
4. Read Hebrews 7:25. Because He (Jesus) ever lives to make intercession for people, what is He able to do?
5. According to Mark 5:23, Jairus begged Jesus, saying, **“I pray thee, come and lay thy hands on her, that she may be healed; and she \_\_\_\_\_ live.”**
6. Read Mark 5:35-43. Once Jesus reached Jairus’ house, He told the mourners that the child was not dead but \_\_\_\_\_.
7. What is the interpretation of “Talitha cumi”?
8. Who was greatly astonished when she arose?
9. According to Luke 8:36, he that was possessed of the devils was \_\_\_\_\_.
  - A. Delivered.
  - B. Crazy.
  - C. Healed.
  - D. All of the above.
10. Read Luke 8:26-29. What did Jesus command the unclean spirit to do?
11. Read Acts 14:8-10. What did Paul perceive that the crippled man had?
12. What happened after Paul said to the crippled man, **“Stand upright on thy feet”**?
13. According to James 5:15, what shall save the sick?
14. Read Luke 6:8-11. When the man with the withered hand stretched forth his hand, it was \_\_\_\_\_ whole as the other.
15. When Jesus healed the man with the withered hand, what were the scribes and Pharisees filled with?
16. According to Matthew 9:22, Jesus called the woman who was made whole \_\_\_\_\_.
17. Read Mark 5:28. Who said that if she touched but his clothes, she would be whole?

18. According to Mark 6:56, who were made whole?
19. Read Luke 8:50. In order for Jairus' daughter to be made whole, what did Jesus say?
20. According to 2 Corinthians 8:9, "For ye know the \_\_\_\_\_ of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich."

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## Lesson 3 – Scriptures

### **Galatians 1:4**

*Who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God and our Father.*

### **Matthew 1:21**

*And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.*

### **I Corinthians 1:21**

*For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe.*

### **Hebrews 7:25**

*Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them.*

### **Mark 5:23**

*And besought him greatly, saying, My little daughter lieth at the point of death: I pray thee, come and lay thy hands on her, that she may be healed; and she shall live.*

### **Mark 5:35-43**

*While he yet spake, there came from the ruler of the synagogue's house certain which said, Thy daughter is dead: why troublest thou the Master any further? [36] As soon as Jesus heard the word that was spoken, he saith unto the ruler of the synagogue, Be not afraid, only believe. [37] And he suffered no man to follow him, save Peter, and James, and John the brother of James. [38] And he cometh to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, and seeth the tumult, and them that wept and wailed greatly. [39] And when he was come in, he saith unto them, Why make ye this ado, and weep? the damsel is not dead, but sleepeth. [40] And they laughed him to scorn. But when he had put them all out, he taketh the father and the mother of the damsel, and them that were with him, and entereth in where the damsel was lying. [41] And he took the damsel by the hand, and said unto her, Talitha cumi; which is, being interpreted, Damsel, I say unto thee, arise. [42] And straightway the damsel arose, and walked; for she was of the age of twelve years. And they were astonished with a great astonishment. [43] And he charged them straitly that no man should know it; and commanded that something should be given her to eat.*

**Luke 8:36**

*They also which saw it told them by what means he that was possessed of the devils was healed.*

**Luke 8:26-29**

*And they arrived at the country of the Gadarenes, which is over against Galilee. [27] And when he went forth to land, there met him out of the city a certain man, which had devils long time, and ware no clothes, neither abode in any house, but in the tombs. [28] When he saw Jesus, he cried out, and fell down before him, and with a loud voice said, What have I to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of God most high? I beseech thee, torment me not. [29] (For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. For oftentimes it had caught him: and he was kept bound with chains and in fetters; and he brake the bands, and was driven of the devil into the wilderness.)*

**Acts 14:8-10**

*And there sat a certain man at Lystra, impotent in his feet, being a cripple from his mother's womb, who never had walked: [9] The same heard Paul speak: who stedfastly beholding him, and perceiving that he had faith to be healed, [10] Said with a loud voice, Stand upright on thy feet. And he leaped and walked.*

**James 5:15**

*And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him.*

**Luke 6:8-11**

*But he knew their thoughts, and said to the man which had the withered hand, Rise up, and stand forth in the midst. And he arose and stood forth. [9] Then said Jesus unto them, I will ask you one thing; Is it lawful on the sabbath days to do good, or to do evil? to save life, or to destroy it? [10] And looking round about upon them all, he said unto the man, Stretch forth thy hand. And he did so: and his hand was restored whole as the other. [11] And they were filled with madness; and communed one with another what they might do to Jesus.*

**Matthew 9:22**

*But Jesus turned him about, and when he saw her, he said, Daughter, be of good comfort; thy faith hath made thee whole. And the woman was made whole from that hour.*

**Mark 5:28**

*For she said, If I may touch but his clothes, I shall be whole.*

**Mark 6:56**

*And whithersoever he entered, into villages, or cities, or country, they laid the sick in the streets, and besought him that they might touch if it were but the border of his garment: and as many as touched him were made whole.*

**Luke 8:50**

*But when Jesus heard it, he answered him, saying, Fear not: believe only, and she shall be made whole.*

**2 Corinthians 8:9**

*For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich.*