

# Christian World View

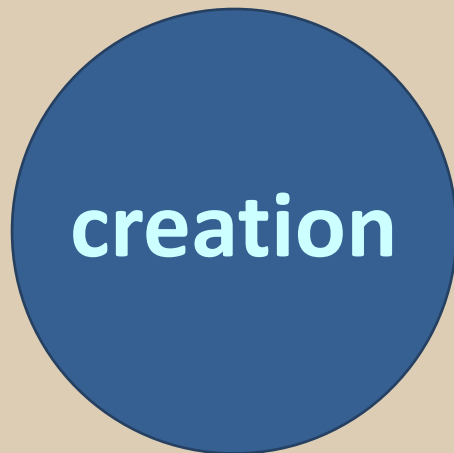
## THE WORKS OF GOD

### salvation

# The Works of God

three great works of God

**Creator**



**salvation**



**kingdom**

# The Works of God

## the God of salvation



***“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life.” John 3:16***

# The Doctrine of Salvation

## the history of the doctrine of salvation

**Anthropology** · the doctrine of man

Pelagius · Pelagianism

Augustine (354-430)

original sin · human inability · the necessity of grace

John Cassian · Semi-Pelagianism = Arminianism (after 1610)

**Christology** · the doctrine of Christ

Anselm of Canterbury (c.1033-1109)

substitutionary atonement

Thomas Aquinas (1224-1274)

**Soteriology** · the doctrine of salvation

Martin Luther (1483-1546)

John Calvin (1509-1564)

the doctrine of justification

*sola Scriptura · sola gratia · sola fides · sola Christus · sola Deo gloria*

# **The Doctrine of Salvation**

## **the history of the doctrine of salvation**

**the Remonstrance / “protest” (1610)** · the Dutch Reformed Church

Jacob Arminius (1560-1609)

- ① conditional election
- ② general atonement
- ③ depravity
- ④ resistible grace
- ⑤ conditional perseverance

**the Synod of Dort / Dortrecht (Nov 1618 – May 1619)**

· the Belgic Confession (1561)      · the Heidelberg Confession (1563)

**The Five Points of Calvinism**

- ① T · total depravity
- ② U · unconditional election
- ③ L · limited atonement
- ④ I · irresistible grace
- ⑤ P · perseverance of the saints

# The Doctrine of Salvation

## the history of the doctrine of salvation

① **T** · total depravity



the natural man

② **U** · unconditional election



God the Father

③ **L** · limited atonement



God the Son

④ **I** · irresistible grace



God the Holy Spirit

⑤ **P** · perseverance of the saints



the spiritual man

# The Doctrine of Salvation

## the history of the doctrine of salvation

**God**



**God-centered theology**

**the biblical revelation of God**

**mystery · the sovereignty of God and  
the responsibility of man**

**man**

**man-centered theology**



**man**

**the human experience**

**synergism · God and man working together**

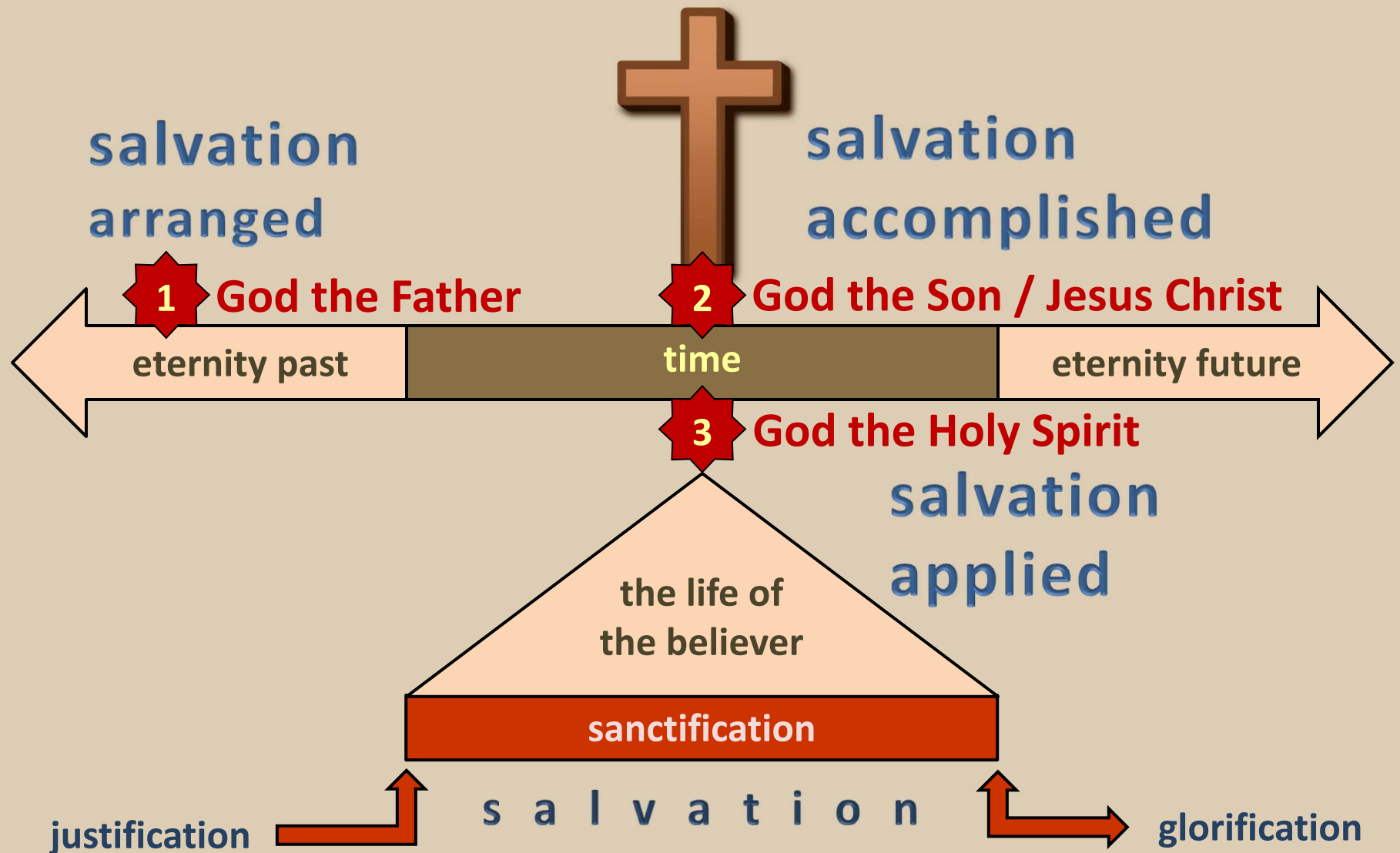
# The God of Salvation





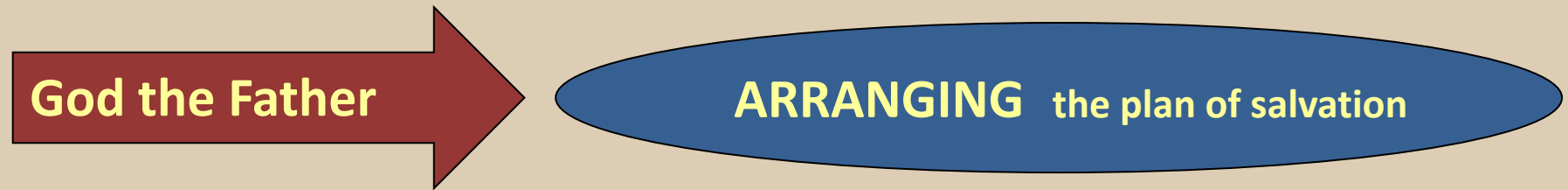
# The God of Salvation

the Father · the Son · the Holy Spirit



# The God of Salvation

God the Father · salvation arranged in eternity past



**foreknowledge**

**election**

**predestination**

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**foreknowledge** προγινώσκω = “before” + “to know”

God knows before creation those whom He will save.  
forethought · planning in advance to acting

**election** ἐκλέγομαι = “to pick out”

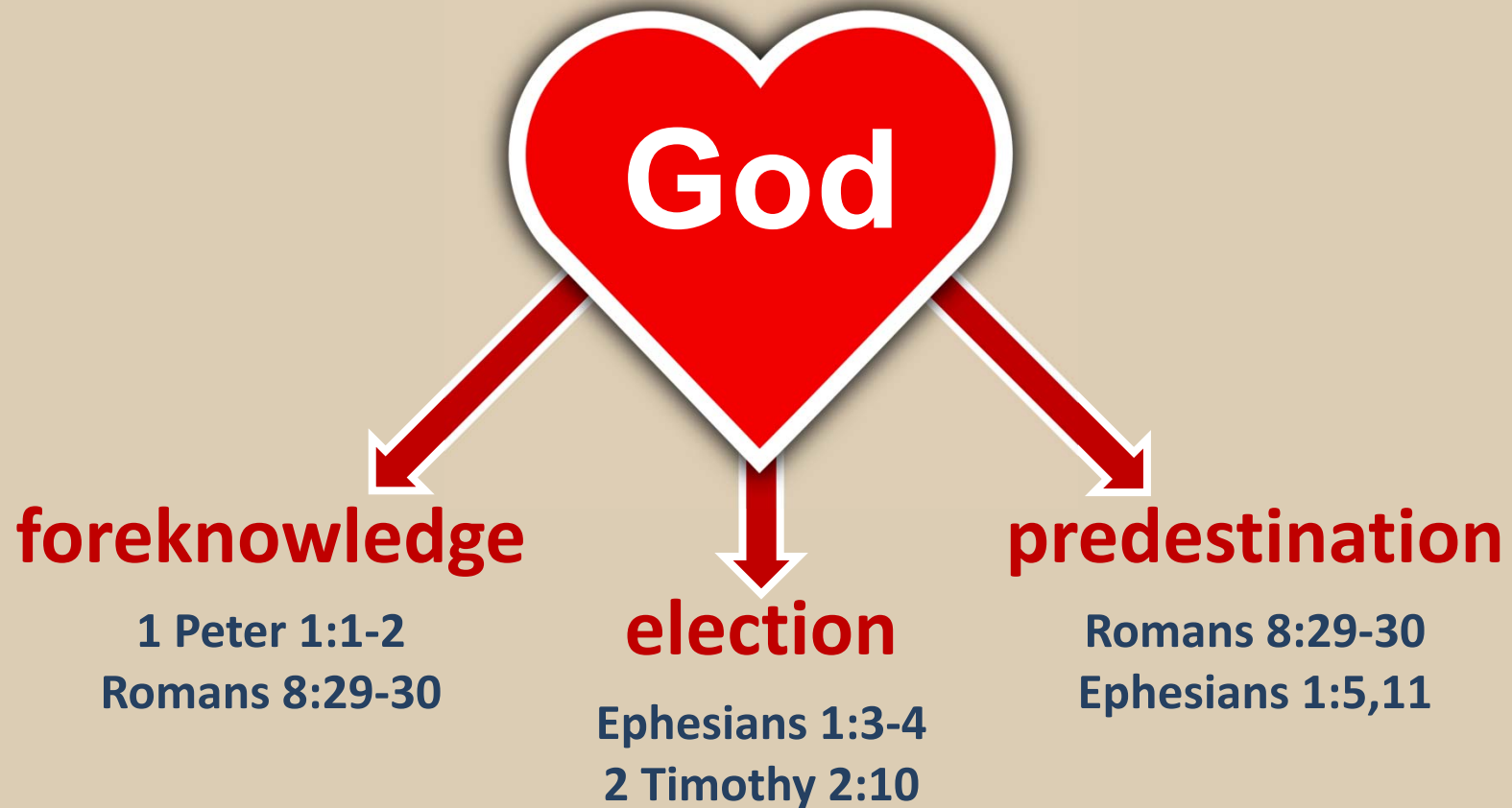
God chooses before creation those whom He will save.

**predestination** προορίζω = “before” + “to decide”

God determines / decrees before creation those whom He will save.

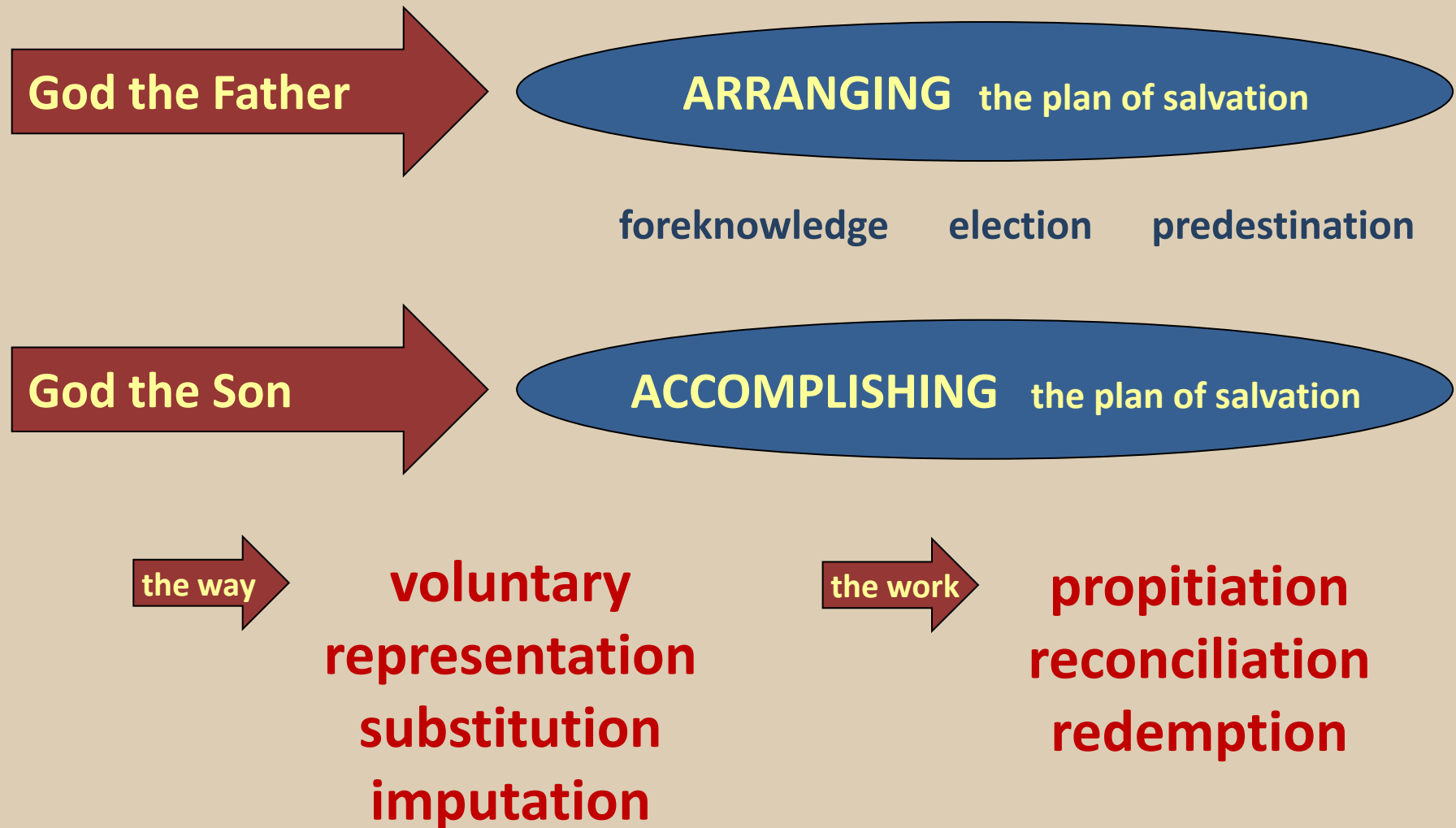
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“We love Him because He first loved us” · I John 4:19

# The God of Salvation



# The God of Salvation

God the Son · salvation accomplished at the cross



**1 the person of the cross**

Who was necessary for the work?

**2 the way of the cross**

How was the work accomplished?

**3 the work of the cross**

What work was accomplished?

**4 the timing of the cross**

When was the work accomplished?

# The God of Salvation

God the Son · salvation accomplished at the cross



## ① the person of the cross

Who was necessary for the work? → 1 Timothy 2:5-6

### the Son of God

fully God = perfect God

eternally begotten = God from God

### the Son of Man

fully man = perfect man

“... yet without sin” · Hebrews 4:15



**ΙΧΘΥΣ** = fish → “Jesus Christ, Son of God, Savior”

**ΙΧΘΥΣ** · Ἰησοῦς = Jesus

**ΙΧΘΥΣ** · Χριστός = Christ · Messiah · anointed

**ΙΧΘΥΣ** · Θεοῦ = God’s · Θεός

**ΙΧΘΥΣ** · Υἱός = Son · υἱός

**ΙΧΘΥΣ** · Σωτήρ = Savior · σωτήρ



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God the Son · salvation accomplished at the cross

## ② the way of the cross

How was the work accomplished?



**voluntary** *“He gave Himself for us”*  
the free act of giving  
the expression of God’s love

**representation** *“He represented us”*  
the appointed representative  
the federal head

**substitution** *“He took our place”*  
to take the place of another

**imputation** *“He took our sin”*  
to charge · credit to the account of one  
what rightly belongs to another



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## ③ the work of the cross

What work was accomplished?



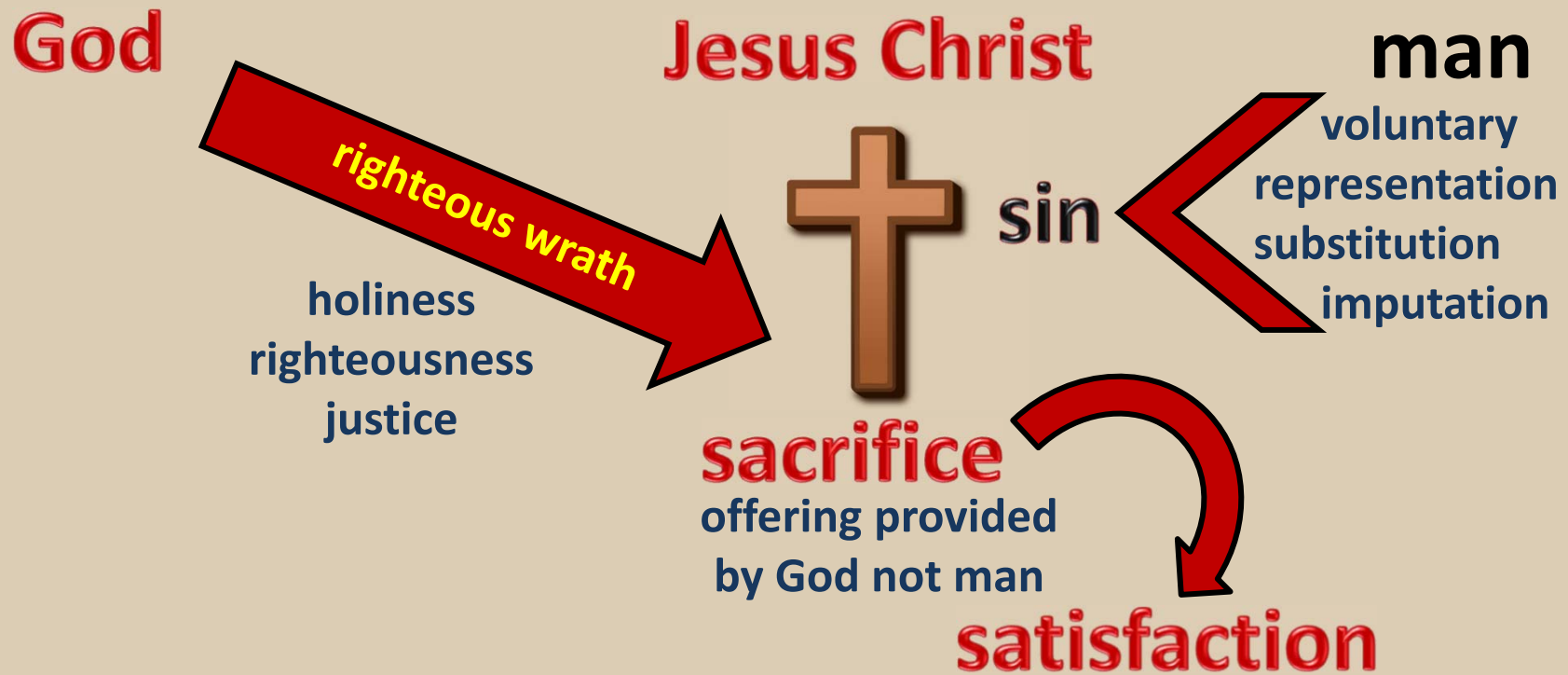
**propitiation** → Godward  
satisfaction of wrath  
from wrath to favor

**reconciliation** → manward  
enmity to friendship  
from wrath to peace

**redemption** → sinward  
payment of the ransom  
from bondage to freedom

# The God of Salvation

propitiation · Godward



propitiation (Godward) = satisfaction of God's wrath  
by Christ's atoning sacrifice

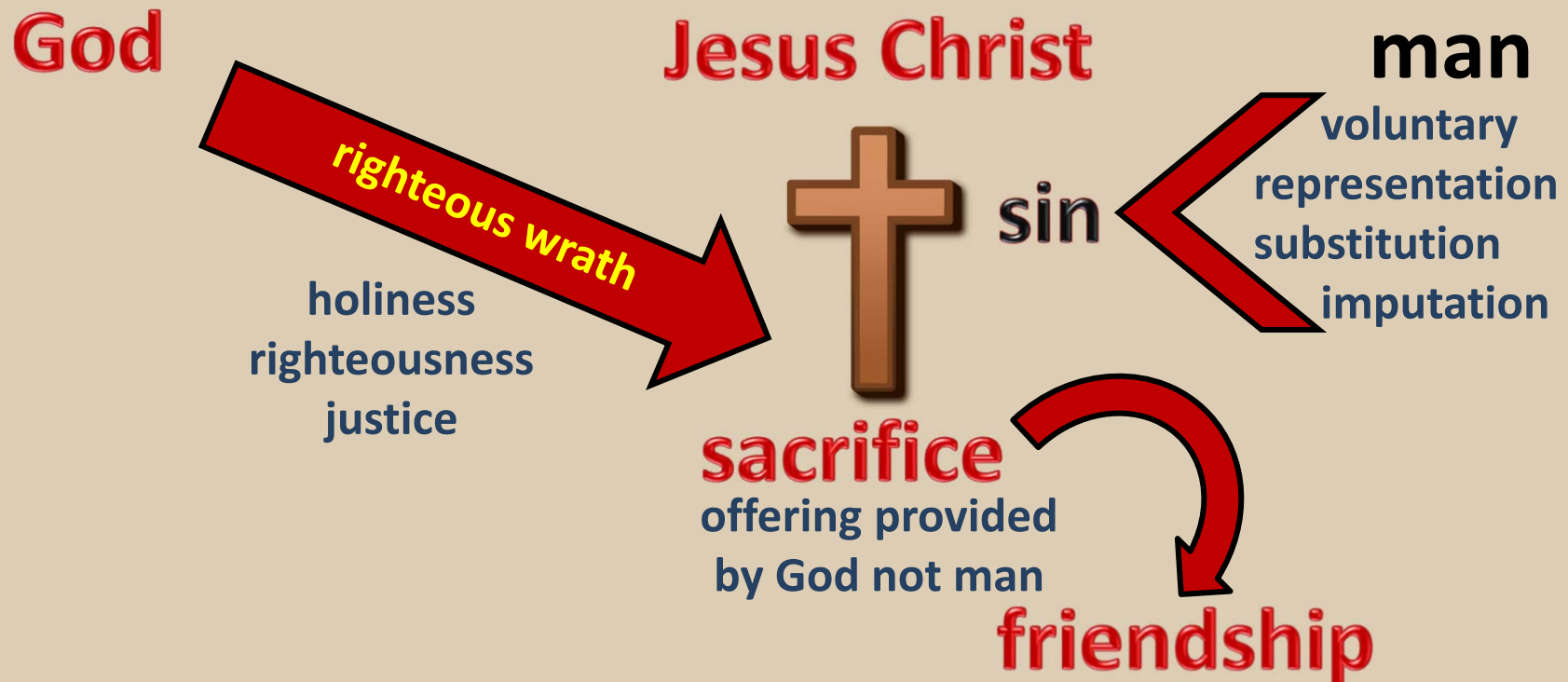
from wrath to favor · **perfect justice**

expiation (sinward) = removing sin and guilt  
covering · cleansing · forgiving

propitiation includes expiation

# The God of Salvation

reconciliation · manward



reconciliation (manward) = changing enmity to friendship

God was the offended party · man is the offending party

God initiated reconciliation with sinful man

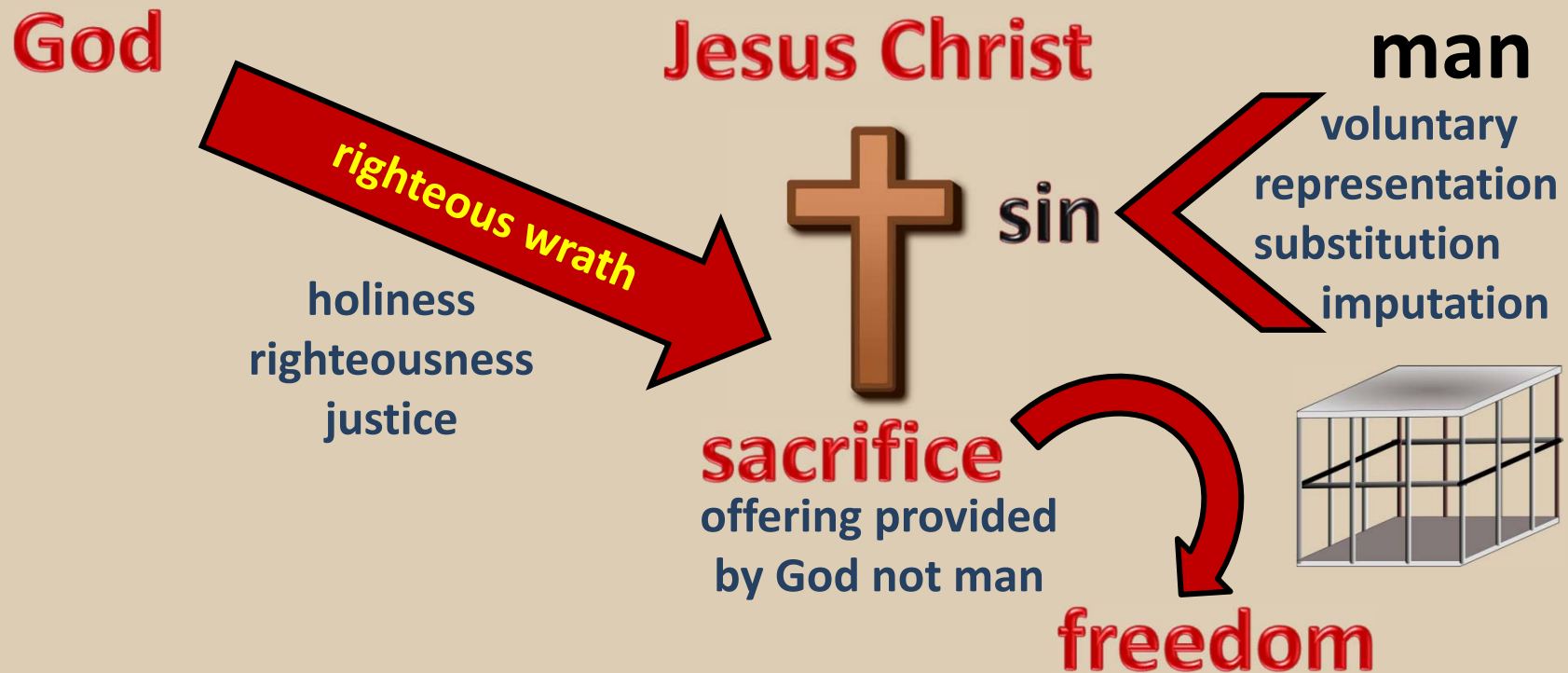
God provided restitution and restoration by Christ's atoning sacrifice

God exchanged enmity for friendship

God is at peace toward all who are in Christ · **perfect peace**

# The God of Salvation

redemption · sinward



redemption (sinward) = freedom by payment of a ransom

fallen man is held captive and enslaved by sin and death

God received the ransom payment of Christ's atoning sacrifice

God frees sinners from the penalty, power, and presence of sin and death

**perfect freedom**

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God the Son · salvation accomplished at the cross



## ① the person of the cross

Who was necessary for the work?

Jesus Christ · Son of God & Son of Man

## ② the way of the cross

How was the work accomplished?

voluntary · representation · substitution ·

imputation = the 2<sup>nd</sup> imputation

## ③ the work of the cross

What work was accomplished?

propitiation · reconciliation · redemption

## ④ the timing of the cross

When was the work accomplished?

**accomplished** when Christ died · “It is finished!”

**applied** when sinners believe · justification ·

imputation = the 3<sup>rd</sup> imputation

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God the Son · salvation accomplished at the cross

What is the difference between provision and a transaction ???



cups of coffee

**a provision**

offered equally to all  
secured individually for none  
take it – or – leave it

**a transaction**

an agreement of exchange  
from one to another  
effectively accomplished  
undone by reverse action only



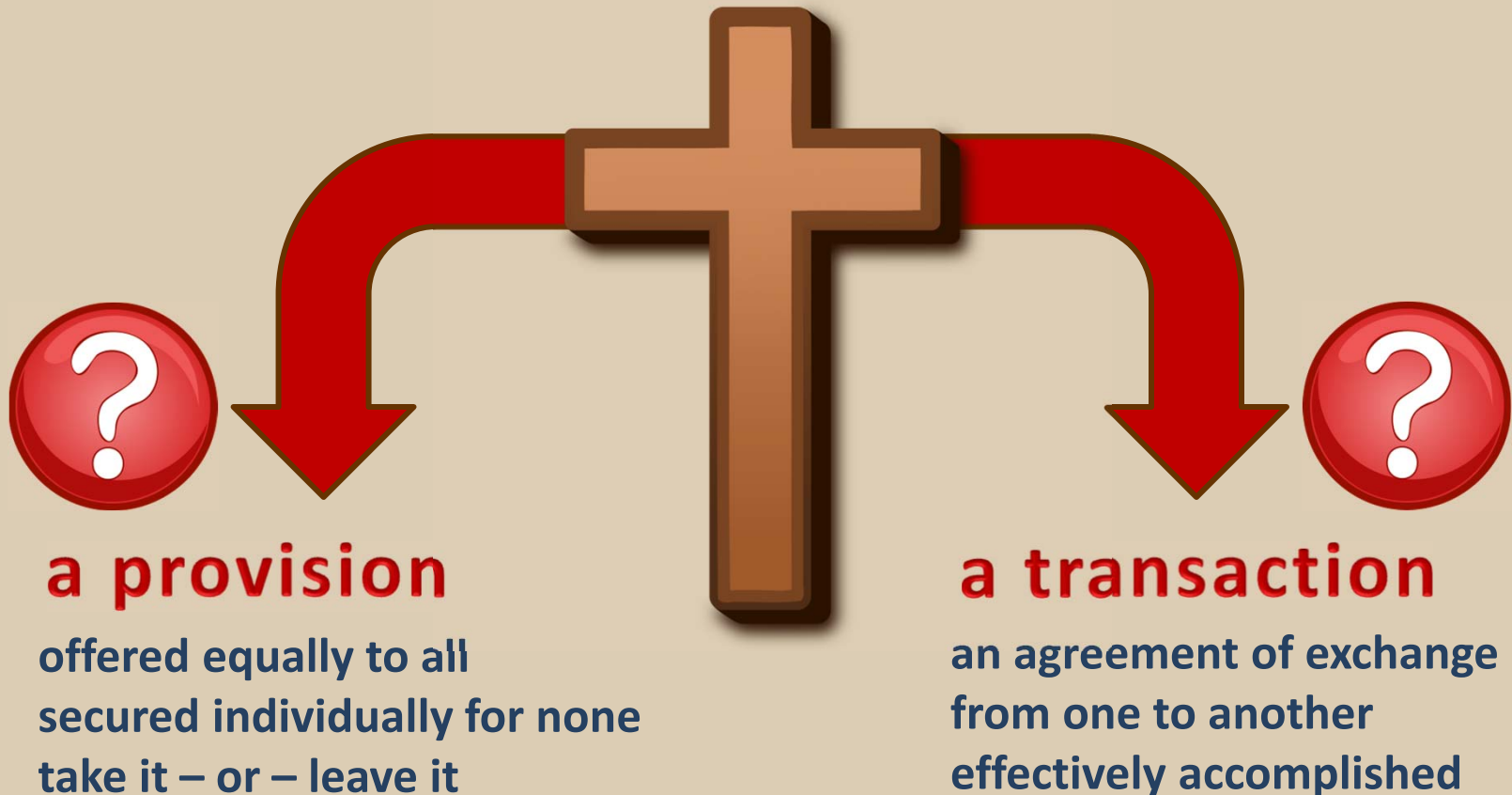
the sale of land



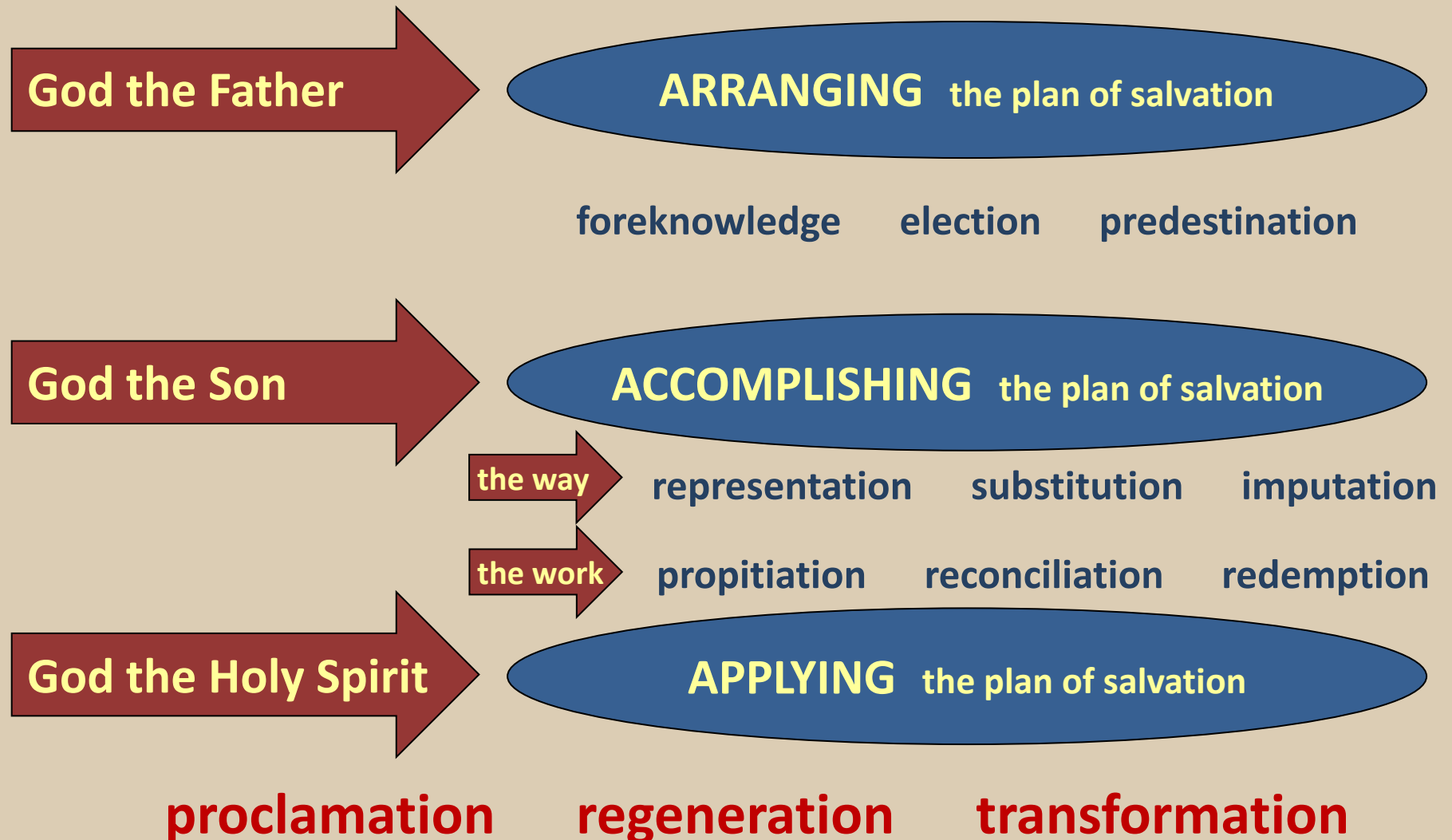
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Is the cross a provision or a transaction ???



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## Holy Spirit · the logical order of salvation

### God-centered “order of salvation” = “*ordo salutis*”

before creation:	Father	①	foreknowledge · election · predestination
at the cross:	Son	②	propitiation · reconciliation · redemption
when saved:	HS	③	proclamation = the gospel call
	HS	④	conviction = the effectual call
	HS	⑤	regeneration = the new birth · John 3:3,5
	HS	⑥	conversion = faith in Christ
	HS	⑦	conversion = repentance · change of mind / life
	HS	⑧	union = Spirit baptism of believer in the body of Christ “I am in God” · 1 John 4:13,16
	HS	⑨	union = Spirit indwelling the believer “God is in me” · John 14:20,23
	HS	⑩	salvation = justification · declared righteous in Christ
when living:	HS	⑪	salvation = sanctification · set apart to Christ holiness and godliness
	HS	⑫	salvation = glorification = conformed to Christ eternal state of glory

# The God of Salvation

Holy Spirit · evangelism

the commission    the divine command



the message    the gospel of Jesus Christ



the messenger    the life · the word · prayer



the power    the power of God



the salvation    the grace of God



the glory of God



the evangelist

# The God of Salvation

Holy Spirit · the gospel & the natural man

## Jesus Christ

Son of God · Son of Man  
the Savior · the King



**salvation**

propitiation · reconciliation  
redemption

the gospel message

### sinner by nature:

- ① spiritually lost
- ② spiritually blind
- ③ spiritually dead



### sinner in life:

- ① total corruption
- ② total alienation
- ③ total hostility
- ④ total rebellion
- ⑤ total bondage

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Holy Spirit · the gospel & the spiritual man

**Jesus Christ**

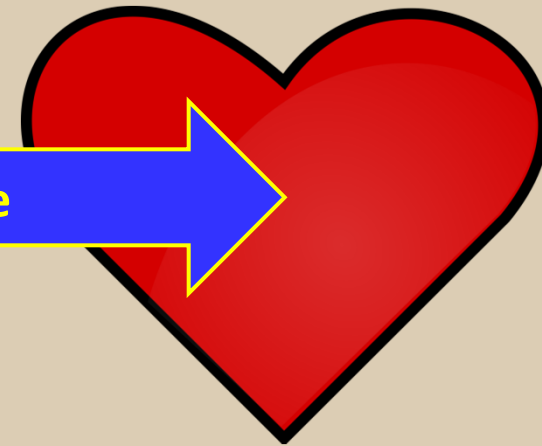
Son of God · Son of Man  
the Savior · the King



**salvation**

propitiation · reconciliation  
redemption

the ministry of  
the Holy Spirit



the power of God

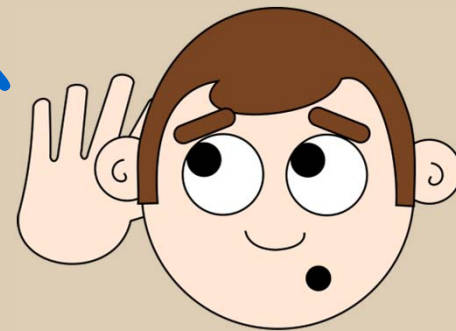


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Holy Spirit · the proclamation of the gospel

## PROCLAMATION

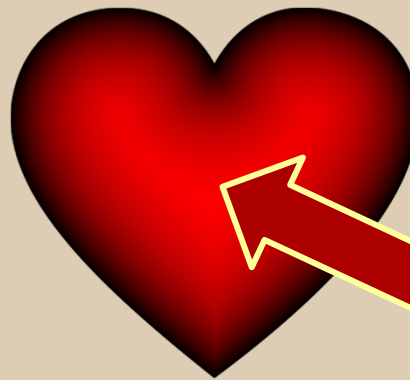
the Word of God  
the gospel message



the universal call  
truth in the ear



Good news! Good news!



the effectual call  
truth in the heart

the Holy Spirit  
the power of God

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Holy Spirit · regeneration = the new birth

**REGENERATION** = born again · born from above

John 3:1-21 · “to see” (3) · “to enter” (5)

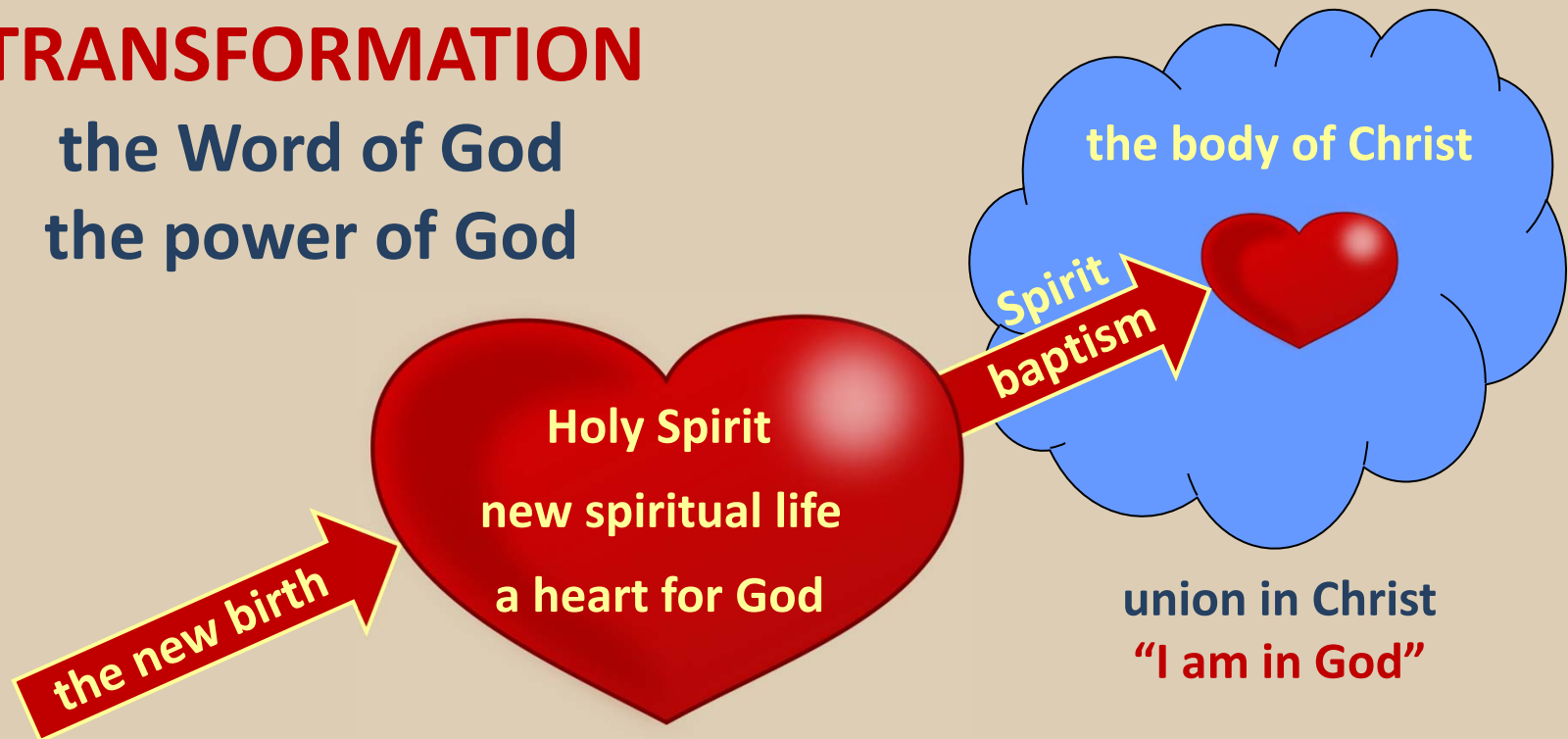


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Holy Spirit · transformation

## TRANSFORMATION

the Word of God  
the power of God



indwelt by the Spirit  
"God is in me"

sealed with the Holy Spirit

be filled with the Holy Spirit



# The God of Salvation

## Holy Spirit · transformation

**union**

in union with God

“I am in God.”

“God is in me.”

**the responsibility · the necessity**

**abide**

abiding in Christ

abide = to remain in your present state  
to continue in union in Christ

abide = conscious awareness  
continual dependence

**abide  
in  
Christ**

- ① His presence
- ② His pardon · daily forgiveness
- ③ His principles:
  - precepts = the Bible = Word of God
  - prayer
- ④ His perfections · divine attributes
- ⑤ His power
- ⑥ His purposes = fruitfulness in life for God
- ⑦ His protection
- ⑧ His praise



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***“All that the Father gives Me shall come to Me; and the one who comes to me, I will certainly not cast out.”***

**John 6:37**

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***“For this is the will of My Father, that every one who beholds the Son, and believes in Him, may have eternal life, and I Myself will raise him up on the last day.” John 6:40***

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***“He who believe in the Son has eternal life; but he who does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God abides on Him.” John 3:36***

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Salvation is ...

**Scripture alone**

**by grace alone  
through faith alone  
in Christ alone**

**glory to God alone**



Salvation is ...

**Sola Scriptura**

**Sola Gratia  
Sola Fide  
Solus Christus**

**Soli Deo Gloria**

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the God of salvation



# Soli Deo Gloria