

**Saint's Attitude – *"I Thank My God!"***

**Romans 1: 8-15**

**April 28, 2024**



**No  
God,  
No  
Peace!**

**Know  
God,  
Know  
Peace!**

**Verse 8 - 9**

***I THANK MY GOD* for those who live by faith**

***“The just shall live by faith” – Romans 1: 17***

**Faith = “*pistus*” = believe**

***YES!*** A believer can live above the cesspool of this world by **FAITH** in Jesus

Paul prayed for those living in the cesspool, ***so must we!***

***“Without ceasing I make mention of you always in my prayers.”***

To be an overcomer requires dwelling in Christ,  
making your home in Christ – [John 15: 14](#)

It is all about who controls your thinking –  
[Colossians 2: 8](#)

*“See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the basic principles of this world rather than on Christ.” (NIV)*

**Worldly**



**Wisdom**

**vs**

**Godly**

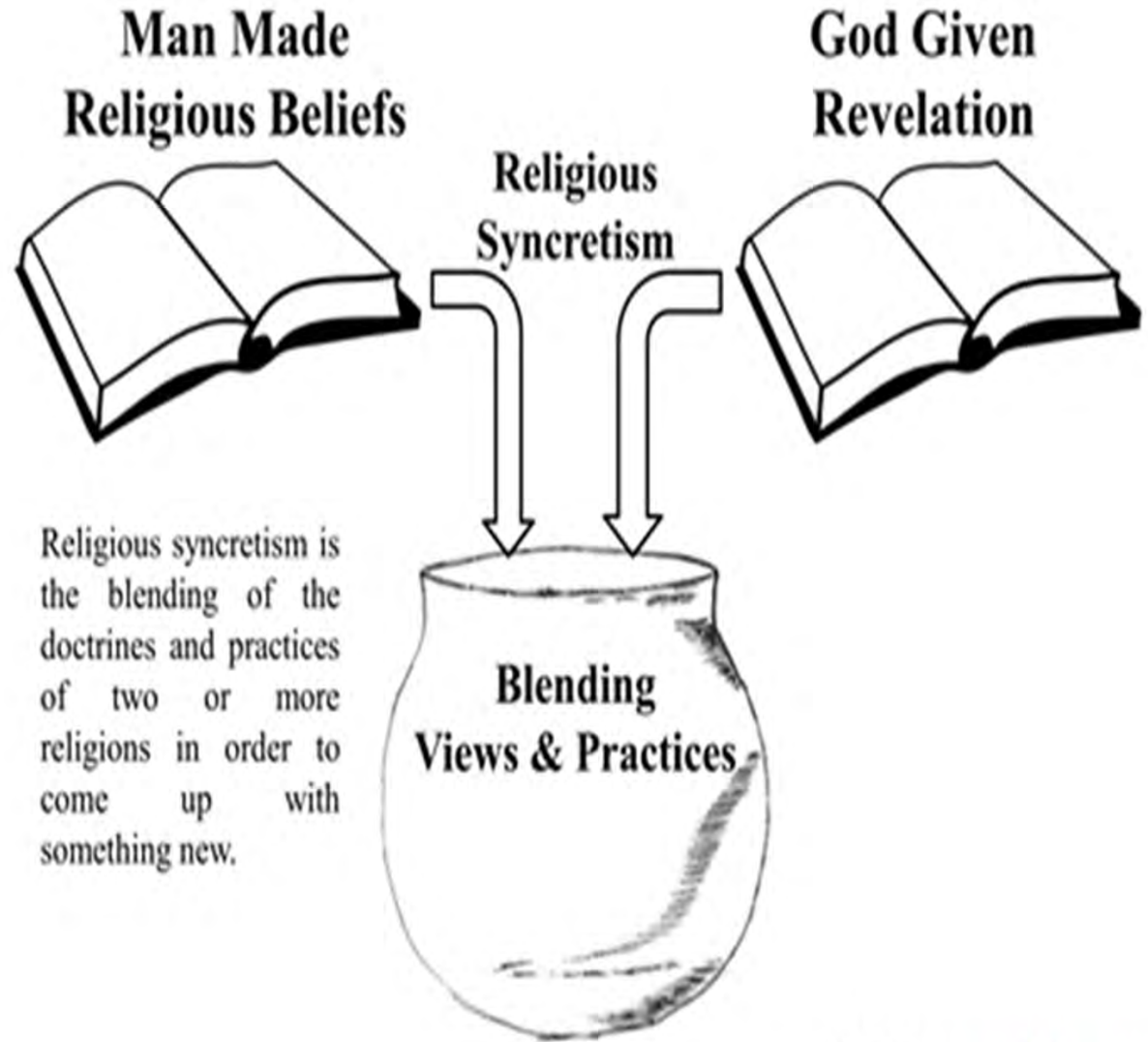


**Wisdom**

**DANGER:**

**Blending Scripture with a mish mash of other beliefs = out pops a new belief system**

**In the midst of this cesspool, God calls believers to stand firm in the faith**



**Verse 10 - 12**

***I THANK MY GOD* for the Will of God**



**What gift would make them strong and established?**

*The entire treatise of Romans*

Sin

Salvation

Sancti-  
fication

Sovereignty

Service

So Long

## **This we do know about God's Will:**

- Live with a transformed mind
- You should obey His commands
- Live dwelling in Christ, filled with the Holy Spirit
- Pray for discernment

**As long as you are doing this, you have great freedom in the specific options you can choose**

**God has given you the Holy Spirit, His Word, a brain and a conscience; you have what you need to make wise, Godly decisions**

**IMPORTANT:**

God's leading is *always* in line with His Word!!

**SUMMARY:**

- 1) In all things, ask the Lord for wisdom (pray) and then apply the principles of God's Word when choosing between options

- 2) If you make your choice according to prayer and God's wisdom, you can then decide what to do and you need not worry
- 3) You don't need a lightning bolt from heaven to determine God's Will
- 4) As long as you are seeking first His kingdom and His righteousness, enjoy the freedom you have in Christ
- 5) God's Will – live according to His precepts and *He will direct your steps!*

**Verse 13 - 15**

***I THANK MY GOD* for the Gospel**

## What is fruit?

*Godly attitudes that characterize the lives of those who belong to Christ and possess the Spirit of God (John MacArthur)*

*Fruit is character change – Galatians 5: 22-23*

*Love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control*

# PROCESS OF SALVATION

PERFECTED  
IN CHRIST

THE  
CHRISTIAN  
LIFE

DEAD  
IN SIN

BIRTH



POINT OF  
DEATH:  
GLORIFICATION

PROGRESSIVE  
GROWTH:  
SANCTIFICATION

POINT OF  
CONVERSION:  
JUSTIFICATION

TIME



Change is evidence of true salvation; fruit is evidence of change!

Focus on the word READY (*an urgent willingness*):

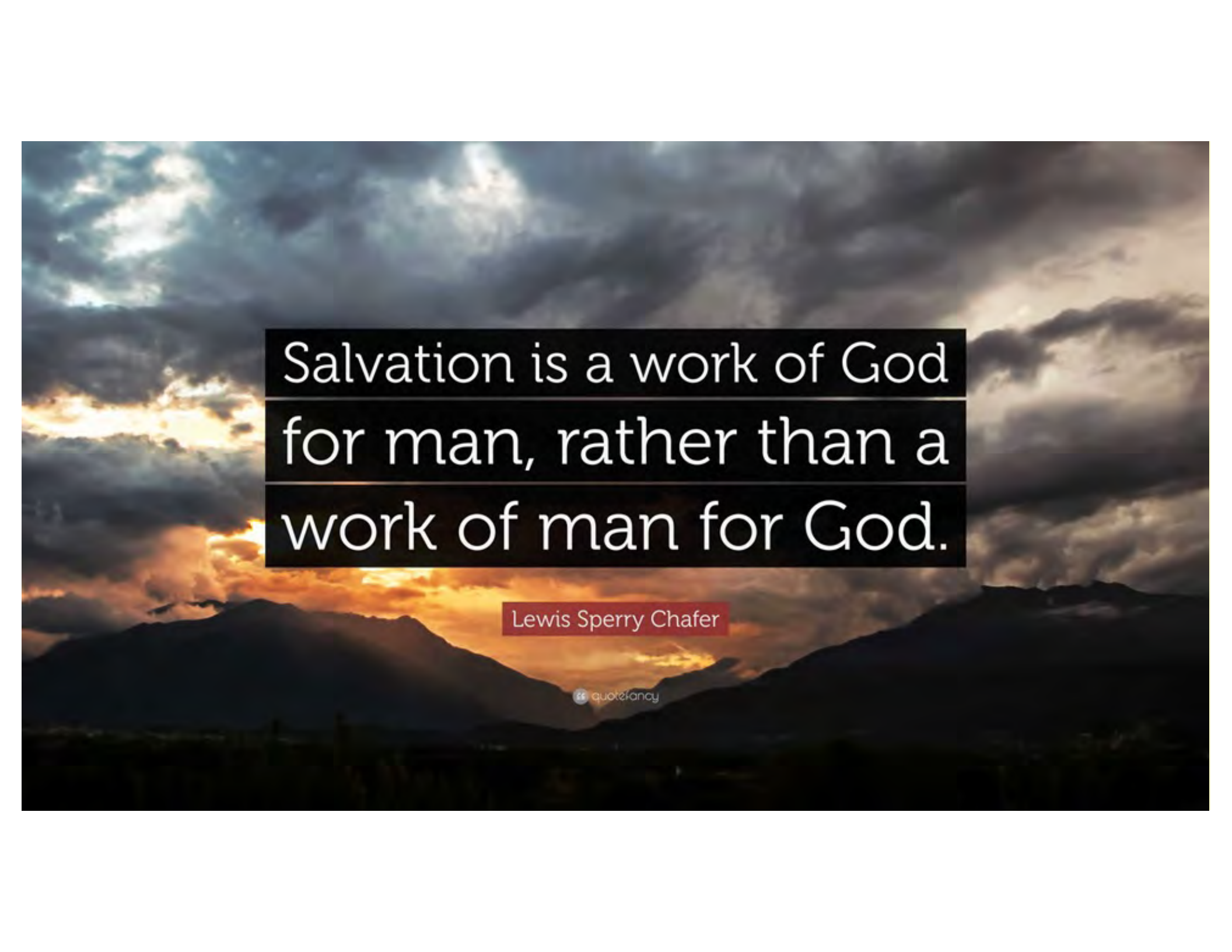
*“I am READY to preach the gospel in Rome.”*

Scripture says we are to be READY in season and out of season – 2 Timothy 4: 2

We are to be READY to share with someone the Word of God when it is popular and convenient, or unpopular and inconvenient

Whether I feel like it or not, I am to be READY when *God says so!!*





Salvation is a work of God  
for man, rather than a  
work of man for God.

Lewis Sperry Chafer

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**CLOSING THOUGHTS: “I THANK MY GOD!”**

**MY GOD!**

It's personal!!!

*My God, My Lord, My Master, My Savior, My King*

**I am my God's servant;** a bondservant, my will is consumed with the will of my Master!

***I THANK MY GOD!!***

# I THANK MY GOD – for learning the truth about death

I thank my God for graciously granting  
me the opportunity of learning that  
death is the key which unlocks the  
door to our true happiness.

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

**I THANK MY GOD** – that Jesus told us what to look for prior to His coming

**I THANK MY GOD** – that all of this is happening right before our eyes

**I THANK MY GOD** – this is all true!

**I THANK MY GOD** – for allowing me to live during these times

Watch and be ready, Church . . . . .

*Our KING is coming!*

*He really is!!*

*I THANK MY GOD!!*