

More Than Being Saved!

Eight Major Doctrines Defining New Testament Salvation

Summary Of The Eight Doctrines

1. **Regeneration** A changed nature. The believer is no longer a child of wrath but is literally born into God's family and given Christ's nature.
2. **Adoption** A changed position. The believer is no longer a child of the world but is given the position of an adult son in God's family.
3. **Justification** A changed standing. The believer is no longer a sinner in God's sight because He imputes to his account the righteousness of Jesus Christ.
4. **Imputation** God put the sins of the world on the account of Jesus Christ, and He puts Christ's righteousness on the account of the believing sinner.
5. **Sanctification** A changed character. The believer is no longer defiled and unclean but is now separated and holy unto God in Christ Jesus.
6. **Reconciliation** A changed relationship. The believer is no longer God's enemy but now has peace with Him and is His friend.
7. **Propitiation** All the wrath of God that was once upon the believer has been appeased by the substitutionary death of Christ.
8. **Redemption** The death and shed blood of the Lord Jesus Christ has bought the believer back from sin.

In conclusion, if the reader only learns one thing from the study of these doctrines it should be that the born again Christian is *eternally secure in Jesus Christ*. Each doctrine individually proves eternal salvation and collectively the proof is overwhelming. Everything God requires a person to be (righteous, holy, sinless, perfect, etc.) He supplies in the Lord Jesus Christ. It is the believer's union with Christ that makes these virtues his own, so ***all who are in Him are as secure in their salvation as He is alive!***

Amen
