

**How Does a Person “Get Saved?”**  
***2 Corinthians 3:12-4:6*** (Page #965 in Pew Bible)

1. People are lost and perishing in sin because their minds are hardened by nature and blinded by the Devil.
  - 3:12-15
  - 4:3-4
2. People “get saved” when the veil that covers their view of the glory of the Lord and His gospel is mercifully removed by the Triune God (Father, Son, Holy Spirit).
  - 3:14-4:1
  - 4:5-6
3. The Gospel of Jesus Christ brightly reveals the glory of God and the freedom of eternal life by faith.
  - 3:17-18
  - 4:4-6
4. The Christian Church is still on Earth because God is still desirous for sinners to be saved through faith in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.
  - 4:1-2, 5-6
5. God gets all the glory in the salvation of sinners because He is the One who removes the hardened veil of spiritual blindness through His powerful mercy, grace and truth.
  - 3:16-18
  - 4:1a, 6
  - 1 Corinthians 15:10a; Ephesians 2:1-10

**BIG IDEA:** People “get saved” from sin’s penalty through the grace and mercy of God.

### Observations

- People “get saved” through faith in Jesus Christ.
- People “get saved” when God opens their minds and hearts to the truth of His glory.
- People “get saved” through the merciful initiative and working of God through His Spirit and His Word.
- God gets all the glory in each person’s salvation because no one can save themselves apart from His mercy and grace.
  - *Christians believe in Christ because God has awakened them to righteousness!*
- Christians are called and used by God to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ so that blinded and hardened sinners can be saved from perishing from under God’s holy and righteous wrath.
  - *This is why we have Vacation Bible School and other Gospel evangelism and discipleship ministries.*
- **You are either saved or unsaved today.**
  - ***There is no middle ground on this reality.***
  - ***We are either embracing Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior—or we are embracing something else as our lord and savior.***

### Application

- Believe in the Lord Jesus—and you will be saved. (Acts 16:31)
- Tell others about the Good News of Jesus Christ. (2 Cor. 4:1-6)