## EGF-6: Rescued From Above Study Sheet

- 1. Does God really care about you? Jeremiah 31:3
- 2. How has God demonstrated His love for us? John 3:16; 1 John 4:9-10
- 3. How could God love someone like you and me? Romans 5:8; Ephesians 5:2

"The Lord Jesus loves you. If you doubt His love, look to Calvary. The light reflected from the cross shows you the magnitude of that love which no tongue can tell." White, Sons and Daughters of God, p340.

4. What does His death do for me? 1 John 3:1; John 1:12

Ponder these simple facts for a moment:

- Because of my sins, I am sentenced to death—permanent separation from life.
- I cannot pay that price without losing eternal life, because if I died for my sins, I could not resurrect myself. I would be dead forever.
- I owe something I cannot pay and still live! But a friend comes along, in the person of Jesus, and says, "I will pay. I will die in your place and give you credit for it. You will not have to die for your sins."
- I must accept the offer if I want to live! Simple, isn't it? I openly acknowledge and accept His death for my sins. The moment I do this, I have become a son or daughter of God!
- 5. How do I receive Him and pass from death to life? Romans 3:23; Romans 6:23; John 15:5; Hebrews 2:9; 1 John 1:9; John 6:47

Admit three things:

- 1. I am a sinner. Romans 3:23.
- 2. I am doomed to die. Romans 6:23.
- 3. I cannot save myself. John 15:5.

And assent to three things:

- 1. He died for me. Hebrews 2:9.
- 2. He forgives me. 1 John 1:9.
- 3. He saves me. John 6:47.

The word "believeth" here means to "commit" yourself to Jesus, not just a mental assent that He exists, but a committing of one's entire life to live for Jesus.

- 6. What must I do in order to obtain this gift of salvation? Romans 3:24, 28; Ephesians 2:8-9
- 7. When I join God's family through faith, what change does Jesus make in my life? 2 Corinthians 5:17
- 8. Will this changed life really be happier than the pleasures of the old life? John 15:11; John 8:36; John 10:10
- 9. But can I make myself do all the things a Christian should do? Galatians 2:20; Philippians 4:13
- 10. Do you mean that even the Ten Commandments would not be hard to obey? John 14:15; 1 John 5:3; 1 John 2:5

## 11. How can I be certain that the commandment-keeping mentioned of God's people in the Bible is not legalism? Revelation 14:12; 12:11

These two Scriptures point out some identifying marks of the saints: (1) keep the commandments, (2) have the faith of Jesus, (3) share their faith with others, and (4) choose to die rather than to sin.

12. If I accept Christ and His forgiveness and then fall again, will He forgive me again? 1 John 1:9

"Believe Jesus loves you, and in your efforts to obey the truth, if you err, don't feel that you must worry and worry, give up your confidence in God, think that God is your enemy. We are erring mortals. If we sin, "we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous" (1 John 2:1). You cannot cleanse yourself from impurities. Carry all your burdens to Jesus. He will help you. He wants you to not wait and expect through your good deeds to make atonement for sin or to make yourself righteous. Trust in the merits of the blood of a crucified, risen Saviour." White, Upward Look, p376.

## 13. What significant act seals this love relationship with Christ, and what does it symbolize? Romans 6:4-6; 2 Corinthians 11:2

Baptism symbolizes three significant events in the life of the true believer: (1) death to sin, (2) birth to a new life in Christ, and (3) marriage to Christ for eternity.

## 14. How can I be certain that the faith and love of my marriage to Christ will continue to increase? John 5:39; 1 Thessalonians 5:17; Colossians 2:6; 1 Corinthians 15:31

Is it your desire to invite Jesus into your life where He will rescue you from the wages of sin and death so you can experience a new life with Him?