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"I Will Be Saved"

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Beyond the  
Weekend

**SPEND DAILY TIME WITH GOD AS YOU READ, THINK, PRAY, + ACT.**

**2026 Focus:** 12 Months of Prayer | **September:** Corporate Prayer

Each month, journey through a different biblical model of prayer.

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## Day 1 [1 Peter 1:4–5](#) | We Will Be Saved

**Who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time. 1 Peter 1:5**

Peter's words land on weary believers scattered throughout the Roman Empire. Their faith in Jesus is costing them. Peter writes to these communities and reminds them that God's sovereign and saving hand has been with them from the start. He saved them. He chose them. Their salvation is being worked out daily as they learn to love their enemies and live selflessly, just as Jesus did. Peter calls this a new birth. And yet, their salvation isn't just in the past or present. It has a future that provides encouragement and hope. Their salvation will result in their glorification—the ending of sin and a triumphant reunion with Jesus.

Throughout this series, we have unpacked the umbrella term "Salvation." Through Jesus's work on the cross, we have been saved from our sins. This is justification. As followers, we are changed through the daily rhythm of learning to live like him. God gives us the power to be free from our sins. This is sanctification. And we also have the promise that one day we will be saved. This is glorification. It is the hope that one day Jesus will right all wrongs and free us from the presence of sin in this world. This week, we will take a deeper look at glorification and the salvation that is to come.

**TODAY:** Thank God for the full scope of salvation. The penalty has been paid, he has given us power, and we wait eagerly for the presence of sin to be destroyed. Download this lockscreen to help you remember the fullness of your salvation.

## Day 2 [1 John 3:2–3](#) | The War Within

**Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. 1 John 3:2**

With a gentleness that only comes from time spent with Jesus, John calls his audience friends. Writing in his old age to house churches near Ephesus, he addresses a community in crisis: some members have fallen away, deny Jesus as Lord, and now treat believers with hostility ([1 John 2:18–23](#)). John reassures them of their salvation, both present and future—they are God's children, and nothing can take away his love. Still, these fractured relationships reveal a deeper truth: the war within still rages, and sin still causes harm. Someday, Jesus will return and make all things right. Until then, John points them to the hope of glorification.

The problems outside ourselves remind us of the problems that exist within ourselves. Our hearts are still sinful, even as we grow more like Jesus each day. No matter how long we've followed him, sin still creeps in—habits and reactions that don't match what we believe. Salvation isn't finished the moment we believe. It begins when we trust Christ, shapes every day that follows, and won't be complete until he returns. When we

feel discouraged by this ongoing battle, God invites us to remember where our salvation is headed. The promise of glorification motivates our sanctification. One day, we will be with Jesus, we will be like him, and the war in our hearts will end.

**TODAY:** Identify a sin you still struggle with. Bring it to God and praise him for the promise of glorification. We all struggle with sin, don't struggle alone! Groups are a great place to be known, build real community, and walk through life together. [JOIN A GROUP TODAY](#).

## Day 3 [Revelation 21:1](#) | New Heaven & New Earth

**Then I saw "a new heaven and a new earth," for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. Revelation 21:1**

While in exile for spreading the good news of Jesus, John is given a vision of the end of days: a glimpse of the full effect of salvation on a redeemed world. He sees a new heaven crash down to earth. As heaven and earth collide, the last remnant of sin fades away. All that has been broken is made whole. No more death, crying, or pain. No more sin. It's Eden restored, with God dwelling among his people once more. The world is as beautiful as it is today, but even better. To believers reading this, the hope of a new heaven encourages them to hold fast to their faith. Though Rome's power may destroy them, it can't stop God's rescue plan. Everything will be restored—even their bodies!

As modern-day believers, we often impose our modern understanding of the world onto the ancient text of Scripture, so we can carry a warped view of heaven, picturing angel wings, floating clouds, and cartoons where everyone looks bored. But Scripture offers a vastly different picture: a physical world where we will have physical bodies, to hike, explore, and enjoy fellowship and community. We won't drift through eternity in the sky. We'll live in it, fully alive in bodies made new. And it's not just what will be there—it's who. Jesus, our resurrected Savior, will be with us. With bodies like his, we will see him face to face.

**TODAY:** Take five minutes to journal about what life in the new heaven and earth will be like: everything good and beautiful present, everything wrong and broken gone.

## Day 4 [Romans 8:18–23](#) | Hope in Suffering

**I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us. Romans 8:18**

Paul says believers "groan inwardly as we wait eagerly" ([Romans 8:23](#)). This groaning is the deep longing creation feels for the restoration of all things. Prior to this point, Paul reminds his listeners of what they already knew to be true: they are sinners who need a Savior. He tells them that through Christ's death and resurrection, they are no longer slaves to death. However, Paul opens up about a tension he knows well: the pull between doing the good he wants to do and doing the very thing he doesn't want to do ([Romans 7:19](#)). Paul points this tension toward the glorification of all things. One day, all will be made well. Creation groans with anticipation.

Like Paul, we too groan for the restoration of all things. We long for God's work of salvation to be complete, for glory to fill our hearts and the world around us. We eagerly wait for the day when suffering will be no more. This groaning is foundational to finding hope in suffering. The hope of our future salvation lets us see God's faithfulness even in the hardships that weigh on us. When our bodies give out, or a marriage unexpectedly fails, glorification is the promise that God will one day finish what he began. This allows us to comfort one another, no matter the circumstances.

**TODAY:** God's truth moves us to worship. Commit to memorizing [Romans 8:18](#) this week, then join Ada Bible Church as they sing "[Holy Forever](#)." Let the truth of your future salvation inform your worship today.



## Day 5 Revival Begins with Us | [2 Chronicles 6–7](#)

*This year in Beyond the Weekend, journey through different biblical models of prayer—one each month. September’s focus is Corporate Prayer: praying together as the church.*

**If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land.**

2 Chronicles 7:14

After Solomon completes the Temple, he gathers Israel to dedicate it to God ([2 Chronicles 6](#)). Solomon kneels before the altar and prays, praising God for his faithfulness. Solomon knows the people will stray from the Lord in the future and asks God to forgive, restore, and show mercy to his people. God responds with his presence, reminding Solomon that he hears the prayers of his people. At the center of his answer, God calls his people to humble themselves, seek him, and turn from their sin.

Just as God called Israel back to himself before promising to heal their land, he calls his people to that same posture today. Revival does not begin with everyone else changing. It begins when “my people” turn back to God. Through Jesus, we are now part of that people—the church, the “holy nation,” and “people of God” gathered from every nation ([1 Peter 2:9–10](#)). It’s easy to point to problems around us: leaders, laws, division, or culture. But God calls us to look at our hearts first and seek him with humility, prayer, and repentance. When we surrender our lives to him, he works through us, his church, to bring his truth, love, and hope to the world around us. To see revival, let’s begin by praying, “Lord, start with me.”

**TODAY:** Set aside five minutes. Ask God to search your heart. Confess anything he brings to mind. Ask God to begin his work in you and use your surrendered life to bring revival.