

FREE-WILL IS DEPENDENT UPON HOLY SPIRIT CONVICTION
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Free-will alone has no power to choose Christ. Free-will must be aided by Holy Spirit conviction. The Holy Spirit convicts all accountable people of sin and the need for reconciliation with God. Free-will allows a person to either cooperate with the Spirit or fight against the Spirit. God alone gets the glory for our salvation. God initiates conviction. God brings the willing person to a knowledge of Jesus and the gospel. God saves the believing sinner. The believer simply cooperates with God, believes, and becomes a child of God “in Christ.” John 16:8-15 Romans 10:13 John 3:16

We are “in Christ” after we believe. Christ’s resurrection life comes to live in us after we believe. After we believe, we become the elect, the chosen. We are chosen to receive God’s full salvation. We are chosen to become holy and blameless. After we believe, we are predestined to adoption as sons of God through Christ. Believing Christ comes before receiving Christ. Receiving Christ comes before being elected and chosen for the riches of God’s grace. Election is to joyful service after we believe. For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believes...

Ephesians chapters one and two, John 3:16

“Jesus died for our sins” means that Jesus died a sinless death, killed by sin, and this condemned sin in the courtroom of Heaven to eventual extinction. Jesus arose with all authority in heaven and earth to judge all things. Jesus, the Man, gained the right to reverse all that Adam caused by his one sin. Jesus did one act of righteousness which gained Him this right. The one action was that Jesus died a sinless death. Romans 8:3 Romans chapter 5 John chapter 14

Jesus is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. Jesus died for our sins means He is our Way to salvation. Jesus arose from the dead and declares that He is our Life. We are saved by His resurrected Life in us.

Jesus’ sinless death for people means that Jesus has the right to make the believing sinner into a new creation, eventually take away all his sin, progressively produce righteous works in him, immediately indwell him with the Holy Spirit, and eventually restore him to glory.