

Process of Salvation

God often summarizes the categories of our relationship with Him into groups of three:
Called, Chosen, Faithful (Rev 17.14) & Called, Preserved, Sanctified (Jude 1.1)

Our Relationship to God				
if we continue in the faith, grounded & settled, & not moved away from the hope of the gospel - Col 1.22-23				
GOD'S WORK	OUR CONDITION	RELATIONSHIP	Progression	Notes
Foreknown: to know beforehand (Ro 8.29, 11.2, 1Pe 1.2)	Lost (Lk 15.4-10, Gal 4.8, Ro 1.28)	THE UNKNOWN GOD (Ac 17.23): ignorant worship & superstition	Ro 8.29 Gal 4.8	in the flesh, w/o Christ, w/o hope, w/o God in the world & blinded (Eph 2.11-12, 2Co 4.3-4), but the Son of Man came to seek & to save (Lk 19.10, Eze 34.12-16)
Predestinated (to be conformed): to limit (set the bounds) in advance (Ro 8.29, Eph 1.5,11)	Rebels (Nu 17.10, Eze 20.38)	Maker/Creator (Ac 17.24-30, Isa 45.9)	Ro 8.29-30 Ps 146.5-6	the revealed purpose of God for our lives spawns rebellion in our hearts since we're unwilling to submit (Neh 9.13-17,26, Jer 44.15-17, 42.1- 43.7)
Called (according to His purpose): to invite (Ro 8.28-30, 9.24, 1Co 1.24-26, Mt 22.3-5,14)	Criminals (Isa 42.1-7, Ps 102.20, 2Tim 2.25-26)	Judge (Joel 3.11-14, Heb 12.23, Jam 5.8-9)	Ro 8.30 Gal 4.5 Ps 146.7	by the law guilt & condemnation now enter into the conscience thru the knowledge of sin (Ro 3.19-20, 7.7-25)

Unregenerate

The Deliverance of Salvation

Redeemed (for the purpose of liberty & ownership): to buy back from bondage/prison (Ps 49.7-9,15)	Slaves (Jn 8.33-36, Tit 3.3-7)	Master (Mt 25.24-25) {we often still think of God as 'a hard man'}	Gal 4.3-5,7 Ps 146.8	purchased by the blood (1Pe 1.18-19, Heb 9.12-15, 1Co 6.19-20), yet to whom we yield ourselves to obey, his servants are we (Ro 6.16-22, 2Pe 2.19)
Justified: to declare free from blame (Ro 3.20-4.8) unto Imputed Righteousness: a right standing with God given/attribution (Jam 2.21-23)	Enemies [in mind] (Col 1.21, Jam 4.4, Mic 2.8)	King (Mt 22.2-14, Pr 16.10-15)	Ro 5.9, 8.30 Ps 146.8	the blood clears us from all accusations & wipes away all our sins (Ro 5.9, 4.5-8, Isa 44.22) unto the righteousness i.e. of faith (Ro 3.21-30, Php 3.9), but our carnal mind is still the enemy of God (Ro 8.7-8, Php 3.18-9, Jam 4.4)
Reconciled (to bring peace): to restore relationship between 2 parties in disagreement (Col 1.20-22, Eph 2.13-17)	Strangers & Foreigners (Eph 2.12,19, Ps 139.12, 1Pe 2.11)	Ambassador (2Co 5.18-21) Preserved (Jude 1.1)	Ro 5.10-11 Ps 146.9	this takes place thru the Atonement (Jesus' life 'exchanged' for ours) (Rom 5.10, 2Co 5.15-19), but we still have no 'relationship' to God; we are still 'outsiders'
Adopted: to place as a son (to make part of the family) "wherein He has made us accepted in the beloved" (Ro 8.15, Eph 1.5-6)	Child (Lk 15.17-32, 1Jn 3.1-2) Chosen	Father (1Pe 1.17, Mt 23.9)	Eph 2.18-19 Gal 4.5-6 Ps 146.9 Heb 2.10	thru repentance we receive the adoption & access unto the Father by the Spirit (Gal 4.5-7, Eph 2.18-9); saved by his life (Ro 5.9-10)

Believer

The Bridges of Discipleship & Servanthood

Sanctified (for holiness): to make clean, to set apart for holy purposes, by making pure & holy, w/o spot (Eph 5.26-27, 1Th 4.3-7)	Friend (Jn 15.14-15, Pr 22.11)	Friend (Ex 33.11, 2Ch 20.7, Isa 41.8, Jam 2.23)	Heb 2.11	set apart from the world & separated unto God, we can come near as priests to minister to Him (Lev 10.3, Ex 40.12-13)
Glorified (to bring Him glory): to be honored/exalted, to make beautiful (Ro 8.17, 30, Isa 55.5, 60.9, Jer 30.18-19)	Bride (Ro 7.4, 2Co 11.2) Faithful (Rev 17.14)	Husband (Jn 3.29, Hos 2.19-20, Isa 54.5-8)	Ro 8.17-18, 30, Heb 2.10 Ps 146.9	as we submit to our husband the intimacy of the marriage relationship causes the reflection of him to be seen more in our lives so He is glorified in us (Jn 17.10, 2Th 1.10-12, Isa 49.3, 44.23)

Friend of God [goal]