

Elgin Evangelical Free Church - November 13, 2022

I. A Gift of God—2:8

A. Gracious

B. Sufficient

C. Unassisted

II. A Challenge for Man-2:9

A. The WORK of salvation is not our own

B. The BOAST of salvation is not our own

III. For a Specific Reason—2:10

A. You are a NEW CREATION

B. You are an EMPOWERED Creation

Life Group Questions November 13, 2022 What is Salvation? Ephesians 2:8-10

Icebreaker: When you hear the word "save," what are the various ways we use this word in our English language and culture?

1. What was the hardest or most difficult part of salvation (the gospel) for you to accept? Why was this?

2. Read Ephesians 2:8-9. From these verses, how would you describe all the elements that make up salvation?

3. When we read it is "not as a result of works," what are the various kinds of works people do for their salvation? What were the works you used to do?

4. What is your understanding of the relationship between faith and "it is a gift of God" in verse 8?

5. When someone is saved, what are the benefits or outcomes that people talk about for this salvation, for example, "I have_____" or I'm going ______"?

6. We are called God's "workmanship." Look up a definition of workmanship. Read the various definitions to the group. Now, how would you understand this concept of being "His workmanship."?

7. Read Ephesians 2:10. God has a bigger plan for your salvation. What does God want to see in your life as a new Christian? Explain what these may look like in someone's life. What new insight or application have you gained from this passage?