

## SAVED: WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

"Therefore He is able also to save to the uttermost (completely, perfectly, finally, and for all time and eternity) those who come to God through Him, since He is always living to make petition to God and intercede with Him and intervene for them." – Hebrews 7:25

"For He says, 'In the time of favor (of an assured welcome) I have listened to and heeded your call, and I have helped you on the day of deliverance (the day of salvation).' Behold, now is truly the time for a gracious welcome and acceptance [of you from God]; behold, now is the day of salvation!" – 2 Corinthians 6:2

Jesus lives to ensure you are saved to the uttermost. His purpose is to secure your salvation completely, perfectly, and eternally. All the benefits of salvation are operating in you today because Jesus is in you today. Now is your time of acceptance; today is your day of salvation!

But what does it truly mean to be saved? Let's explore the meaning of the Greek word *sozo*, (Strong's Concordance #4982), from which we translate saved, to gain an understanding of what it means.

### The Meaning of Sozo:

1. To save, keep safe and sound, and rescue from danger or destruction.
2. To deliver someone from injury or peril.
3. To heal, restore to health, and save a suffering person.
4. To preserve someone from destruction and rescue them from harm.
5. To deliver from the penalties of the Messianic judgment.
6. To save from the evils that obstruct the reception of Messianic deliverance.

Now, let's apply this rich meaning of salvation to Hebrews 7:25 and 2 Corinthians 6:2.

Today, Jesus lives to save you completely, perfectly, and eternally. He is committed to keeping you safe and sound and rescuing you from all forms of danger. Jesus ensures your wholeness: spiritually, emotionally, and physically, and preserves you from destruction. He rescues you from anything that might hinder the fullness of your salvation.

We serve a High Priest in Jesus, Who is unfailingly capable and victorious. His track record of success is perfect. Because He is on your side, you are guaranteed life in abundance. His power within you surpasses anything in this world.

"The thief comes only in order to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have and enjoy life, and have it in abundance (to the full, till it overflows)." – John 10:10

"Little children, you are of God [you belong to Him] and have [already] defeated and overcome them [the agents of the antichrist], because He Who lives in you is greater (mightier) than he who is in the world." – 1 John 4:4

"Yet amid all these things we are more than conquerors and gain a surpassing victory through Him Who loved us." – Romans 8:37