



# Rockwood Church of Christ

## The Proclaimer

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## Lost in the Woods

Everyone who has ever spent any time hiking or hunting in the forests of our land, knows of the possibility of getting lost. Some time ago, a teenager hunting in the Rocky Mountains with his father, discovered firsthand what it means to be lost.

The young man did not see game in his usual hunting area so he tried a new trail and forgot how to make his way back. After a while, he was lost. Time and again, the young man's father had taught him: "if you ever get lost, sit still and listen for three shots. Then fire three shots in response." But the teenage made the mistake of trying to find his way out and the more he hiked, the deeper he got into unfamiliar territory.

Soon it was near sunset so he gathered some wood and built a fire to keep back the bitter mountain air. He spent a cold night trying to sleep next to that fire. The next day, he tried to find a familiar landmark but soon found that he had wandered in a circle and was back at his old fire pit. So he built another fire and spent a cold and hungry second night on the mountain

The next day, he awoke to hear three shots from a gun. At first, he didn't know what to do. Then his father's training kicked in and he lifted his gun and fired three times. Before long, the young man was rescued.

In a way, all people are like that young man. We wander around not knowing what to do to be saved. We hear so many human opinions. But then we heed the Heavenly Father's instructions as found in the Holy Spirit-inspired Bible. We obey the gospel plan of salvation (see **2 Thessalonians 1:7-8**).

When the boy raised his own gun and fired those three shots—he did something to obtain his own salvation from the forest. But that does not mean that being found was any less of a gift.

Likewise, when we come to Christ through faith, repentance, confession and baptism, it is an appeal for our Heavenly Father's saving grace (**1 Peter 3:21**). This, too, is a free gift (**Ephesians 2:8-9**).

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1. Man is saved by hope - *“For we are saved by hope”* (**Romans 8:24**).
2. Man is saved by grace - *“...by grace are ye saved”* (**Ephesians 2:5, 8**).
3. Man is saved by faith - *“Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved”* (**Acts 16:31; Hebrews 10:36-39**).
4. Man is saved by mercy - *“according to his mercy he saved us”* (**Titus 3:5**).
5. Man is saved by words - *“who shall tell the words, whereby thou and all thy house shall be saved”* (**Acts 11:14**).
6. Man is saved by baptism - *“The like figure whereunto even baptism doth also now save us”* (**1 Peter 3:21**).
7. Man is saved by the word - *“receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls”* (**James 1:21**).
8. Man is saved by the truth - *“they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved”* (**2 Thessalonians 2:10; John 8:32**).
9. Man is saved by obedience - *“he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him”* (**Hebrews 5:9**).
10. Man is saved by the gospel - *“I declare unto you the gospel ... by which also ye are saved”* (**1 Corinthians 15:1-2; Romans 1:16**).
11. Man is saved by knowledge of truth - *“Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth”* (**1 Timothy 2:4; John 8:32**).
12. Man is saved by belief and baptism - *“He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved”* (**Mark 16:16**).
13. Man is saved by confession - *“That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved”* (**Romans 10:9**).
14. Man is saved by calling on the name of the Lord - *“For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved”* (**Romans 10:13; Acts 2:21**).

All 14 items are necessary to man’s salvation! Let’s not be guilty of believing what one passage says about salvation and ignoring the others. We cannot be saved by faith only (**James 2:14, 26**) any more than we can be saved by baptism only. We are not saved by calling on the name of the Lord only (**Matthew 7:21**) any more than we can be saved by knowledge of truth only. Each and every item on the list is essential to man’s salvation!

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Please circle one or more of the following which you believe the Gospel of Christ teaches are

Garry Stanton

## Which Of The Following Are True?