



Amazing Savior Robert Morris

Focus Jesus Christ is only One who can save us. Nothing we can do will guarantee our salvation. We receive it only by God's mercy and grace. Jesus removed our sins and iniquities by taking them upon Himself and saving us. He is truly an amazing Savior!

Fun We are in the midst of the Christmas season! What is the first decoration you pull out in honor of this occasion?

Review

- **Jesus saves us from the dominion of sin.**

Matthew 1:21; Luke 2:11; Romans 6:14; Isaiah 43:11; Joshua 5:13–15

Jesus means "Savior." Because of Him, we are not under the law but under grace. Salvation comes from our submission to Jesus, who is sinless and perfect. After Moses, God used Joshua (which means "God is salvation"), the captain of Israel, to lead his people to the Promised Land. Similarly, God uses His Son, Jesus, to bring us out from under the law and places us under grace.

- **Jesus saves us from the guilt of sin.**

Zechariah 3:1–4, 9; Psalm 103:12

We have an accuser—Satan. Our filthy robes must be removed and replaced with righteous robes. Because of His mercy, God removes our sins as far as the east is from the west. Just as Joshua, the high priest, led his people out of bondage and back to the Promised Land, Jesus leads us out of sin and to restoration.

Group Dynamics Idea

Random acts of kindness are fun, especially this time of year. Let the Holy Spirit guide you in secretly blessing someone this week.

Discuss

1. What did God give us through Moses? What did God give us through Jesus? See John 1:17. Explain why our salvation does not come to us through perfection or works.
2. The dictionary defines “submission” as “inclined or ready to submit; unresistingly or humbly obedient.” Now read Romans 6:14 and in your own words define “dominion.” Explain how it differs from submission.
3. Read Joshua 5:13–15. What tradition in the Jewish culture signals that an individual has given up his rights to another? Go to Ruth 4:8 and note the similarities between these two passages. How are these examples a picture of submission?
4. What are some of the problems we might encounter by not fully submitting our lives to Jesus? How is grace the key to overcoming sin?
5. Zechariah 3:1 opens with Satan bringing an accusation of guilt before the angel of the Lord. According to Zechariah 3:2–4 & 9, what does the Lord do in response?
6. What are we promised in Psalm 103:12? Keeping in mind that “uttermost” means “unlimited duration of time,” what is Hebrews 7:25 saying to you?

Take Home

We needed Jesus, and we still need Jesus. He is our Savior! The enemy may accuse us, but in God’s eyes we are forgiven and made clean because Jesus paid the penalty for our sins. This is the truth of our amazing Savior and God’s amazing grace.

Prayer

Thank You, Jesus, for removing my sin by taking it upon Yourself instead and saving me. I am amazed by the grace You have shown me and will be forever grateful. In Jesus’ name, Amen!

New Leader Tip

Take your leadership commitment seriously, but don’t take yourself too seriously. Admit mistakes, then move on. Growth deepens as we are faithful. Never forget: He equips those He calls.