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The great Christian revolutions came not by the discovery of something that was not known before. They happen when someone takes radically something that was always there. **H. Richard Niebuhr**



Holding tight to truth When it is in danger of slipping away

Romans 12:1 Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is - his good, pleasing and perfect will.



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i. How indulgent were indulgences?



SALVATION WAS NOT something you could EARN BUT WAS A gift that you received by FAITH ALONE



FAITH ALONE Do we know it?

Ephesians 2:8 For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith - and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God - not by works, so that no one can boast.



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Romans 6:20

When you were slaves to sin



Romans 5:6-9

You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly... But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved ...



Mark 10:45 For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.'



Ephesians 2:12 Remember that at that time you were separate from Christ, excluded from citizenship in Israel and foreigners to the covenants of the promise, without hope and without God in the world.



John 6:40 For my Father's will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day.'



1 Peter 3:18 For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive in the Spirit.



Romans 6:10 The death he died, he died to sin once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God.



Whatever your heart clings to and confides in, that is really your god, your functional Saviour

Martin Luther

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WHAT COULD YOU not live WITHOUT?



FAITH ALONE 3. Faith in HIM

John 3:16 For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.



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Acts 16:31 They replied, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved—you and your household."



FAITH ALONE Response 1. Chill out

Romans 11:6 And if by grace, then it cannot be based on works; if it were, grace would no longer be grace.



FAITH ALONE Response 1. Chill out

For the grace of God has appeared that offers salvation to all people.

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Titus 2:11

FAITH ALONE Response 2. Live in the joy of it!

Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

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Psalm 51:12

FAITH ALONE Response 3. Live in the generosity of it

Psalm 51:12 What shall we say, then? Shall we go on sinning, so that grace may increase? By no means! We are those who have died to sin; how can we live in it any longer?



