

TAKE WHAT BELONGS TO YOU

[Act 2:21 KJV] 21 And it shall come to pass, [that] whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

In looking at the scripture shown above, when you see the word "call", what do you think about? Most people look at the word call in this text in the light of "crying out" to or "speaking out". But this word's meaning is much deeper. In fact, in some dictionaries, there are some 65 different definitions for this word. Some interesting definitions of the word call are to invite, summon, command or cause to come. In the context of Acts 2:21, calling on the name of the Lord to be saved is more than just crying out or speaking out His Name. You are literally inviting and commanding salvation to come with your words. Now many people don't like to think of commanding God to do anything. But, really you are not commanding God; you are commanding what He has provided - Salvation through His Grace - to come to you. Through God's Word, you have discovered that you have been given a free gift, and you are taking what belongs to you!

Not only does the word "call" have multiple meanings, but the word

salvation (or sozo in the Greek) does as well. Salvation involves not just our redemption from sin, but also healing, peace, prosperity, and protection. This is important to understand, because we not only have the right to command or take God's grace as it relates to forgiveness of sin. We have the right to take EVERYTHING that salvation provided through the cross. Receiving your healing, financial prosperity, peace and protection are just as easy as it was for you to get saved. You heard the good news, and you took it!

Well, let's not leave anything God has provided on the table. You've heard the good news of what is available to you, now grab hold of it. Take it by faith!!! Do the same thing you did when you gave your life to Christ. Believe, confess and act on your faith by being obedient to His direction. For whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved!

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Church Events

Wednesday, May 4th

Couples & Singles LIFE Groups Sessions will begin @ 6:15 PM No corporate prayer

Friday, May 27th

B.L.A.S.T. Teen & Pre-teen School's Out Fellowship 5:30 PM

June 22nd - 24th

Vacation Bible School
Time TBA

July 28th - 30th

Motion Youth Conference Birmingham, AL

Sign up if you want your teen or preteen to attend! www.motionstudents.com

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- PRAYER MINISTRY TRAINING MAKE UP SESSIONS This course is applicable for any believer who wants to be trained in "how to minister" to those in need of healing. The classes are open to all LWC members. If you missed or are unable to attend Tuesday classes, make-up sessions are on Sundays after service or Tuesdays after Morning Prayer.
- ATTENTION MARRIED OR SOON TO BE MARRIED COUPLES!!! Do you want a marriage made in Heaven? If you are struggling in your marriage or if you have a good marriage and you want it to be even better, join us beginning on Wednesday, May 4th for our Marriage on the Rock Small Group Bible Study!

SINGLES, WE HAVE SOMETHING FOR YOU TOO! We will also have LIFE group sessions for single adults dealing with common issues faced by Christian singles today. We'll have sessions for teens too! **Sessions will begin at 6:15 PM**

- VACTION BIBLE STUDY We are in the planning stages for VBS to be held in June. If you would like to assist us, please sign up at the front desk or see Mrs. Joyce Broughton for more information.
- ATTENTION TEENS & PRE-TEENS STAY TUNED! Join us for our School's Out BLAST Fellowship on Friday, May 27th at 5:30 PM to celebrate the end of the school year. Look out for more information in LIFELINE and on Facebook!

- MOTION16 YOUTH CONFERENCE BIRMINGHAM, AL
 JULY 28 30 Teens & Preteens if you would like to
 attend this exciting event please have your parents sign
 the interest sheet at the front desk. We will provide more
 information soon! A fee will be required to assist with
 expenses with transportation, lodging and food.
 www.motionstudents.com
- JOHNNY LEE SHEFFIELD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP –
 Thank you to all the students who submitted applications.
 The deadline for entry has passed and we will be contacting all students with reward status in May!
- DON'T FORGET ABOUT THE GROWTH TRACK! If you are interesting in joining Living Word Church or just finding out more about who we are and who YOU are in Christ, we invite you to attend our Growth Track Sessions. Our Growth Track is a series of 4 sessions held immediately following service on the 1st 4th Sunday of each month.
 It's time to Experience LIFE!

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IMPORTANT INFO

SICK & SHUT IN

If you are dealing with a physical challenge, or if you know of a member who is dealing with a physical challenge, please let us know so that we can contact them and agree in prayer for their recovery. To contact us, you may leave a confidential message at 205-530-0638.

DO YOU HAVE A TESTIMONY?

Have you received a blessing in your life due to applying the Word of God you have learned at Living Word Church? If so, please let us know so we can share it with others! We can either record your testimony, or read a transcript during our announcement time (if you don't like being on camera). Someone needs to hear your story, so don't hold back!!!

WANT TO JOIN THE LWC FAMILY?

If you want more information about joining Living Word, or if you would just like to find out more about who we are and what we believe, we invite