

Week 44

Day 1



Jehovah Rocks:

I love You, Yahweh! I want to praise Your name all of the time. (Psalm 34:1)

See It:

'May the Lord bless you and take very good care of you. May the Lord smile on you and be good to you. May the Lord look on you with favour and give you His peace.' (Numbers 6:24-26)

On It:

What do you say when you leave or hang up the phone? Here are some things we've heard: Good-bye (God be with you); Grace; See 'ya; adios (to God); Courage and Godspeed; paca (until...); etc. Benedictions (or saying goodbye) are 'good words', and the Bible has a lot of them. Here is the first of a week's worth that you can pray and claim and then use with others. This benediction is one of the most famous. It looks for God's blessing. It looks for grace and peace. And it looks for God's smiling face on us. What could be better than that? And the proper response is 'Amen', or 'I receive that' or 'Hallelujah'!

Live It:

André Cox emphasized accountability and transparency.

Do It:

Ask if you can say grace tonight at dinner time.

In It:

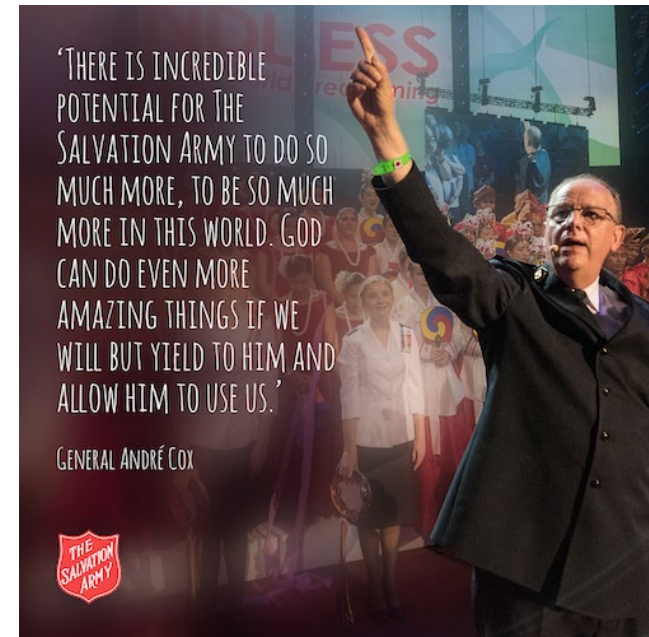
'We are the hands of Christ; He uses us every day.' (The Songbook: Inspired by Song 851)

Eat It:

'We believe that continuance in a state of salvation depends upon continued obedient faith in Christ.' (Doctrine 9)

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read Job 20 & Mark 3-4



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Day 2



Jehovah Rocks:

I want to thank You for all that You do. I love You and I want everyone to know about it! (Psalm 35:18)

See It:

'The Lord will keep you from every kind of harm. He will watch over your life. The Lord will watch over your life no matter where you go, both now and forever.' (Psalm 121:7-8)

On It:

Have you ever gone swimming in the open water? You know, like at the beach? Now I am not a very good swimmer. I have tried to learn, but for some reason, just can't do it! When I was younger I went out in the water with my brother. A few big waves came and before we knew it, we were in trouble! We both hung on to each other for help, but that just made us sink! Well, another friend came to rescue us, so everything turned out alright. This is why there are usually lifeguards on duty who have with them all kinds of gadgets to rescue you if you start to drown! Well, think of this when you read today's benediction. This could be called the 'rescue me' benediction. The prayer is for the Lord to preserve (or keep us safe) us from evil, to preserve our souls, to preserve our going out and coming in, from now on. That is a great and full benediction of preservation. So, claim it!

Live It:

Brian Peddle is the current general, the '21st general for the 21st century'.

Do It:

Write out a short prayer and place it on your bedroom door.

In It:

Thanks, Jesus!

Eat It: Doctrine 9

'Continuance in a state of salvation.' This reminds us that just because you prayed some prayer in Sunday School or at camp or beside your bed or somewhere else sometime that you are all good to be saved when you die. There is something that you have to do to continue, or to hold onto your salvation.

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read Job 21 & Mark 5-6



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Day 3



Jehovah Rocks:

I want to please You by doing the right thing. And then when I praise You, You will love it! (Psalm 64:10)

See It:

'God will meet all your needs. He will meet them with His wonderful riches that come to you because you belong to Christ Jesus. Give glory to our God and Father for ever and ever. Amen.' (Philippians 4:19-20)

On It:

Who looks after you and gives you (or supplies) everything you need? Most of you have a parent who supplies your clothing and food and pillow to sleep on. You could have a Junior Soldier Sergeant who supplies some of your warfare training and opportunities to fight for Jesus. You have a teacher who supplies some of your educational programme. But our God will supply ALL your needs. Trust Him for them. How? He's stored up riches in glory by Christ Jesus. How should we respond to such a generous offer? Let's give glory to God and our Father forever!

Live It:

There are all kinds of places in the salvosphere for you to explore – sites about salvationism and the mission. Try to find one with a parent's help or a teacher's help, today.

Do It:

Contact your corps officers and ask them if you could lead the final song this Sunday. Tell them it will be the words to a chorus in the songbook. Ask someone to help you choose one.

In It:

Praise You for supplying all of my needs! I love You!!!



Eat It:

Doctrine 9
'Depends upon continued obedience faith.' So, your salvation is best friends with your obedient faith. You can't separate them! If you are faithful, you are saved. If ten years from now you are still faithful, then you are still saved.

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read Job 22 & Mark 7-8

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Day 4



Jehovah Rocks:

You love me like a Father and You give me the things that I need. (Psalm 127:2)

See It:

'Our Lord Jesus Christ and God our Father loved us. By His grace God gave us comfort that will last forever. The hope He gave us is amazing. May our Lord Jesus Christ and God our Father comfort your hearts. May they make you strong in every good thing you do and say.'
(2 Thessalonians 2:16,17)

On It:

People who have large families get ganged up on sometimes by all their brothers and sisters. They play fight and tackle and have all kinds of fun. In my family, when one of us was getting upset or annoyed, the other six siblings would join their hands together like they were pretending to stir a really big pot and they would all chant 'stir'. It would make me so angry! And when I used to cry, my sister would sing this silly Australian song about Kookaburras, but she would change the words to 'Sook-a-burras' (it's insulting in Australia!). It wasn't even clever! But boy, it would make you soooo angry! Well, this verse is kind of like that, but in the opposite. You see here we have God the Son and God the Father ganging up on us, but instead of teasing us and making us sad, they are lovingly and graciously comforting us and giving us hope and confidence. This is amazing! I mean if one sister can make you so sad and angry, imagine how happy and excited you are when the Trinity gang up on you and say wonderful things! It is very powerful, and it is there for anyone who is filled with faith in Jesus. You can experience it, too. Claim it today.

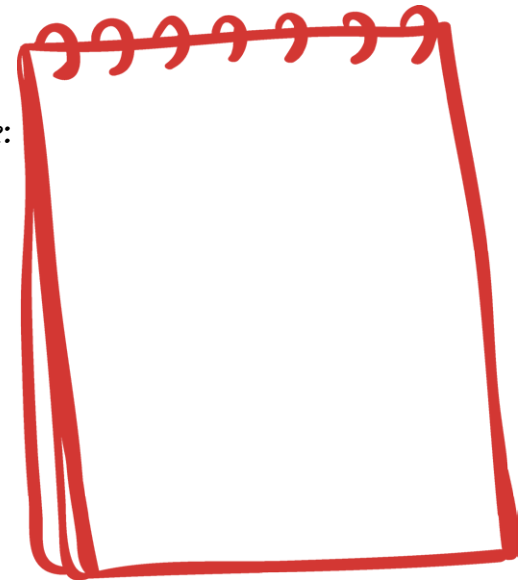
Live It:

Ask your corps officer if your corps live streams the holiness meetings...

Do It:

Learn an old SA chorus from the back of the SASB.

Write the words here:



In It:

Stir me up with Your grace and love and goodness and joy and faith. Gang up on me, Trinity!

Eat It: Doctrine 9

'Obedient faith.' As we explained a couple of doctrines ago, faith is spelled 'O - B - E - Y!' So, to say 'obedient faith' is like saying 'Catholic Pope' - there is no other kind of Pope than the Catholic kind. There is no other kind of faith than the obedience kind.

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read Psalm 121 & Mark 9-10

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Day 5



Jehovah Rocks:

I know that I can trust You and rely on You because You love me! (Psalm 130:7)

See It:

Friends build yourselves up in your most holy faith. Let the Holy Spirit lead you and help you when you pray. The mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ will bring you everlasting life. As you wait for His mercy, remain in God's love. (Jude 1: 20-21)

On It:

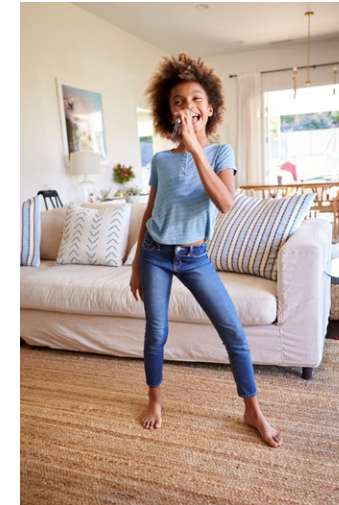
Do you have rules in your classroom? We have a few rules in our kid's cells that we lead. They help us treat each other respectfully and put us in a good place so that all can get the most out of the class. Jude throws a few of these kinds of 'rules' at us, helping us to obey. And they all come from God's love, so they aren't bossy and mean strict demands. First, build yourself up your most holy faith. How do you build up your body? You eat healthy things and exercise. Well, you build yourself in your most holy faith by eating healthy things and exercising. Eating in this case means what goes into you – so into your eyes, into your ears, into your thoughts – think about things like worship and prayer and the Bible and good conversation and blessing and evangelism and discipling. Exercise in this case involves evangelism and discipleship and service and worship. Wow, that was long – we have to be quick on the last bits. Pray in the Holy Spirit. Keep yourselves in the love of God – do not stray from His love! Don't do it! And keep looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that provides us with eternal life. Hallelujah!

Live It:

And for today, we have the International Headquarters site that launches us into the world: salvationarmy.org

Do It:

Sing the chorus you learned yesterday to someone today!



In It:

Jesus, help me to understand how to stay really close to You. Help me to love people the way You love them. Help me to follow all Your love rules!

Eat It:

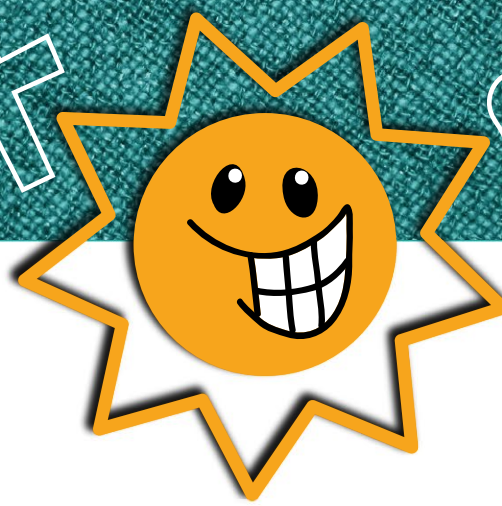
Doctrine 9
'Faith in Christ.' Faith in your abilities; faith in your family; faith in your friends; faith in The Salvation Army; faith in some religion – none of this faith saves. None of it can carry you from hell to Heaven. It is only faith in Christ that saves. Don't forget it. If you memorize the doctrine it will help you not forget it.

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read Job 23-24 & Mark 11-12

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Day 6



Jehovah Rocks:

You are so good and I will worship You. You are so much better than anything else and You are so full of love. Thank You. (Psalm 138:2)

See It:

'May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.'
(Philippians 4:23)

On It:

That is simple, isn't it? But it is also really deep. You can throw away the rest of your life exploring the depths and riches of the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ! Some people say grace is G R A C E – God's Riches At Christ's Expenses. That means, we get to have all of God's blessings and good stuff because of what Jesus did on the Cross. There is some of that, for sure. But it is more. Others get confused between mercy and grace. Well, the difference is this: mercy is when you don't get what you deserve, and grace is when you get what you don't deserve. Does that make sense? God's mercy lets us to miss the punishment we deserve for our sins. (we didn't make either of these illustrations up!) But God's grace gives us a bunch of stuff that we don't deserve, starting with Salvation. Hallelujah!

Live It:

Ask a parent to help you find a site with junior soldier resources...

Do It:

Can you try to write your own little chorus about Jesus?



In It:

I am a friend of Christ. Thanks that we get to be BFF (best friends forever!).

Eat It:

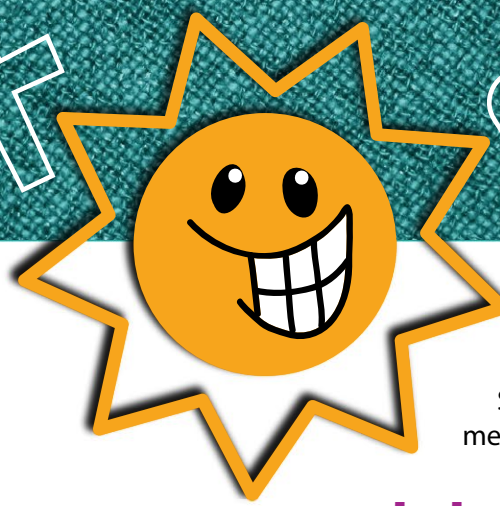
Doctrine 9
Why is this doctrine important? Salvation changes the way you live. Paul talks in Acts about works that match up with repentance. In other words, if you are saved, you live better (not sinning but also doing good things). Some people think they might be saved because they once prayed some prayer. But if their lives haven't changed for the better, they probably aren't saved, and that is a problem.

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read Job 25 & Mark 13-14

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Day 7



Jehovah Rocks:

You will fulfill Your plans for me and Your love will be with me forever! (Psalm 143:8)

See It:

'May the grace shown by the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love that God has given us, and the sharing of life brought about by the Holy Spirit be with you all!' (2 Corinthians 13:14)

On It:

Hey, look at that! Sometimes you get assignments in groups. Maybe your Junior Soldier brigade goes on a mission and Alicia has to arrange what streets to preach on and how to get there, Zion has to cover the whole mission in prayer, and you have to prepare who is going to say and sing what and when. You are one brigade and you all have different roles in a united mission. Praise God. That is not very much at all like this verse! In fact, if we said it was, it would be a heresy (you can look that word up in a dictionary). But we are not doing that. Here, the GODHEAD (some people like the term Trinity – which means 'three in one') gets called on in this benediction. We want all of the Lord Jesus Christ's grace. We want all of God the Father's love. And we want to be tight with God the Holy Spirit all the time. All of the Trinity, in all of us. We are not picking and choosing ice-cream flavours. We get the lot! Amen!

Live It:

Infinitum – that way of life we described earlier – is based on One Vision: follow Jesus; Two Virtues: loving God, loving others; and Three Vows: surrender, generosity, and mission.

Do It:

Sing or read the chorus you made up yesterday at the meeting today.

In It:

Your friendship is so wonderful, I want all to share it, too!



Eat It:

'We believe that continuance in a state of salvation depends upon continued obedience faith in Christ.' (Doctrine 9) Recite it. Memorize it. Tell it to five friends (and try to get them saved!).

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read Job 26-27 & Mark 15-16