

# **WHAT THE BIBLE TEACHES ABOUT SALVATION**

## *Study 12 – Calling (3); Conversion*

Introduction-

### **I. THE GENERAL CALL**

### **II. THE EFFECTUAL CALL**

#### 1- A Description of This Call

- a) Actually brings one to repentance
- b) Always effective
- c) Does not force man against his will
- d) Does not relieve those called of personal responsibility

#### 2- The **Means** of This Call

- a) The instrument- the **gospel**
  
- b) The intermediate agent- the **witness**
  
- c) The direct agent- the **Spirit**

#### 3- **Objections** to an Effectual Call

- a) It is not **just**
  
  
- b) God is **obligated** to call any who “live up to the light they have” from nature

Conclusion-

## **CONVERSION**

### **I. THE BIBLE WORDS FOR CONVERSION**

#### 1- The Old Testament Word – “Shubh”

#### 2- The New Testament Words

- a) “Epistrepho”
  
- b) “Apostrepho”
  
- c) “Strepho”

## II. THE NATURE OF CONVERSION

### 1- Several Types of Spiritual Conversion

- a) The initial experience of a **sinner** turning to God for salvation
- b) The experience of a **new believer** in turning from sin toward godly conduct
- c) The experience of a **wandering believer** in turning from sin back to the Father  
**Luke 22:31-32**
- d) The negative experience of turning in the **wrong direction**  
**Gal. 4:9**