## Teaching Orthodoxy...using Bible Verses Lesson 14

## Salvation in the FUTURE tense: praying to be counted worthy of the Kingdom of God on Judgment Day

**Future:** [In the End, we hope **to be saved**. On the Day of Resurrection, at the Last Judgment, the faithful followers of Christ **will receive** the **fullness** ("pleroma") of the salvation/theosis/deification/glorification/sanctification that they—by the Grace of Divine Energies, Divine assistance, Divine enablement—were <u>working in</u> and <u>walking towards</u> and <u>growing in</u> during their lifetime.]

so <u>Christ was sacrificed once</u> to take away the sins of many; and **He will** <u>appear a second time</u>, not to bear sin, but to <u>bring salvation</u> to those <u>who are waiting for Him</u>. Heb. 9:28

the **grace** that **is to be brought** to you at the **revelation** of Jesus Christ. 1 Peter 1:13

And it will be said in **that day**: "Behold, this is our God; <u>We have waited</u> for Him, and **He will save us**. This is the LORD; <u>We have waited for Him</u>; We will be glad and rejoice in His **salvation**." Isaiah 25:9

Since we have now been justified by His blood, how **much more** <u>shall we</u> <u>be saved</u> from God's wrath through Him! Romans 5:9

For if, while we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to Him through the death of His Son, how much more, having been reconciled, **shall we be saved** through His life! Romans 5:10

And ye shall be hated of all *men* for my name's sake: but **he that <u>endures</u>** to the end shall be saved. Matthew 10:22 12 <u>Not that I have already obtained</u> all this, or have already been perfected, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. 13 Brothers, I do **not** consider myself yet **to have laid hold** of it. But one thing I do: <u>Forgetting</u> what is behind and <u>straining</u> toward what is ahead, 14 I <u>press on toward the goal</u> to win the <u>prize</u> of God's heavenly calling in Christ Jesus. 1 Cor. 3:14

Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we **wait eagerly** for our adoption to sonship, the redemption of our bodies. Romans 8:23

I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with **the glory that** <u>will be revealed in us</u>. Romans 8:18

Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, <u>when</u> He shall appear, <u>we shall be like Him</u>; for we shall see Him as He is. 1 John 3:2

<u>When</u> He shall come to be glorified in His saints, and to be admired in all them that believe (because our testimony among you was believed) in that day. 2 Thess. 1:10

<u>He who overcomes</u> will thus be clothed in white garments; and I will <u>not</u> <u>erase</u> his name from the book of life, and I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels. Rev. 3:5 [*note: Until Judgment Day, your name could be* **erased** from the Book of Life.]

...to present you holy, and blameless, and above reproach in His sight – if indeed you <u>continue</u> in the faith, grounded and steadfast, and are <u>not</u> <u>moved away</u> from the hope of the gospel which you heard... Col. 1:22-23

We have come to share in Christ, **if indeed we hold** our original conviction **firmly to the** <u>very end</u>. Heb. 3:14

but Christ as a Son over His own house, whose house we are <u>if we hold</u> <u>fast</u> the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm <u>to the end</u>. Heb. 3:6

14 Because he clings to Me in love [says the Lord], therefore I will deliver him; I will set him securely on high, because he has known My name. 15 He shall call upon Me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble;
I will deliver [rescue] him and honor him. 16 With a long life I will satisfy him and show him My salvation. Psalm 91:14-16

Let them do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to give, willing to share, storing up for themselves a good foundation for the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life. 1 Timothy 6:18-19

<u>Keep yourselves</u> in God's <u>love</u> as <u>you wait for the mercy</u> of our Lord Jesus Christ to bring you to eternal life...To Him who <u>is able to keep</u> <u>you</u> from stumbling and <u>to present you</u> before His glorious presence <u>without fault and with great joy</u> - to the only God our Savior be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forevermore! Amen. Jude 1:21, 24-25

Eagerly waiting for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ, <u>Who will also</u> <u>confirm you to the end</u>, that <u>you may be blameless in the day</u> of our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Corinth. 1:7-8

And may the Lord <u>make you increase</u> and <u>abound</u> in <u>love</u> to one another and to all, just as we do to you, so that He <u>may establish your</u> <u>hearts</u> **blameless in holiness** before our God and Father <u>at the coming</u> of our Lord Jesus Christ with all His saints. I Thess. 3:12-13

which is manifest evidence of the righteous judgment of God, **that you may be** <u>counted worthy of the kingdom</u> of God, for which you also suffer. 2 Thess. 1:5

But those <u>who are counted worthy</u> to attain that age, and the **resurrection** from the dead, neither marry nor are given in marriage; nor can they die anymore, for they are **equal to the angels and are sons of God**, being sons of the resurrection. Luke 20:35-36

when He comes, in that Day, to be glorified in His saints ... Therefore we also pray always for you that our God would <u>count you worthy</u> of this calling, and fulfill all the good pleasure of His goodness and the work of faith with power. 2 Thess. 1:10-11

The Lord <u>grant</u> to him [i.e. *Onesiphorus*] that <u>he may find</u> <u>mercy from</u> <u>the Lord in that Day</u> – and you know very well how many ways he ministered to me at Ephesus. 2 Tim. 1:18

There remains therefore a rest for the people of God. Heb. 4:9

And the Lord will **deliver** me from every evil work and <u>preserve me for</u> <u>His heavenly kingdom</u>. To Him be glory forever and ever. Amen!

[The Lord **will rescue me** from every evil attack and <u>will bring me safely</u> to His heavenly kingdom. To Him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.] 2 Tim. 4:18

Therefore, brethren, be even more <u>diligent</u> [*make every effort*] to <u>make</u> your call and <u>election sure</u>, for if you **do** these things <u>you will **never**</u> <u>stumble</u>, for so an <u>entrance will be supplied to you</u> abundantly <u>into</u> the <u>everlasting kingdom</u> of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. 2 Peter 1:10-11