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In Trust With The Gospel

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Specially Saved

For therefore we both labour and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Saviour of all men, specially of those that believe. 1 Tim 4:10

Who do you trust in? Your own efforts, works or perseverance? Or do you trust The Living God, The Saviour of all men?

Our text tells us He is the Saviour of all men. Can this mean that all men without exception are saved? This cannot be the case because we know of some that the scripture tells us are cast into the lake of fire with death and hell.

The scripture is not telling us that all men that are saved, but that all that are saved, God is the one that saves them.

He also says he specially saves the believer. I agree. The believer is granted privilege to have close fellowship with The Lord and enjoy the many blessing and benefits of believing. This is a special salvation that the unbeliever can not enjoy or experience.

So if The Lord specially saves the believer, what about the unbeliever? This text seems to imply that He saves some of them.

I would classify an unbeliever in this sense as one who does not believe God can save them and preserve them. You know, those who fight and throw a hissy fit against Once Save Always Saved. They are unbelievers in the sense that they do not believe God is able to save them without their good works and perseverance.

If you believe that God is mighty to save, that He will save to the utmost those given to Him by God with out the loss of one, you friend, have been specially saved. Rejoice in the reality of a Saviour who got the job done WITHOUT your help.

And if you believe in Jesus, but do not believe He is the Saviour of all men, you are an unbeliever and you will miss out on the joy and comfort and many blessing that allow us to glory in the cross and finished work of The Lord Jesus.

Think about it.