

People express various People make various statements, sometimes merely parroting what others have said, or saying what is expected of them in order to join a church or in order to receive the approbation of their associates. It is not saying certain words that makes one a Chn°, but having a heart relationship to Christ which is dependent upon one's having turned away from sin, accepted the sacrifice of Christ on Calvary's cross Cross(?) as the atonement for sin, and received Christ into his life.

Before the coming of Christ no one was saved except through everyone who was saved was looking forward to the wonderful provision that God would make for salvation for sin. Through Through their faith in what God would do, they were saved. This was true of individ individuals as early as the very first generation generation of humanity . There are many evidences in the OT° that this is so. When the Israelites came out of Egypt a wonderful picture was given of salvation through blood, the sprinkling of the blood of the lamb on the doorpost ~~door post~~ door post indicated that those in the family were under the blood. They were not saved merely simply by being members of a certain nation, but they were saved because of their faith that God would make, a provision which required the shedding of blood. How many individuals received this (referring to what?) into their heart (s) in truth, and which ones did not, is something that no human being could tell then, and no human being can tell with certainty today. Only God fully knows the heart.

One reason why the account of the pilgrimage journey is of especially great importance for the Chn° is that the aspects of it which the Lord caused to be written in His guide book Guide Book guidebook Guidebook for believers in all subsequent ages includes those features of it which would give set forth a wonderful picture of the deliverance of man from sin, typified by the Israelite deliverance from Egypt, and of his pilgrimage journey toward the Promised Land. promised land. The difference of course is that the deliverance from sin which the deliverance from Egypt typifies is a reality represents a reality in the life of those who are saved through Christ and equally represents a