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## **1Co 2:9 [Message]**

*No one's ever seen or heard anything like this, Never so much as imagined anything quite like it- What God has arranged for those who love him.*

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God's Perspective

- Salvation from sin

Man's Perspective ("tenses")

- Positional (from penalty of sin)
- Experiential (from power of sin)
- Ultimate (from presence of sin)

### **Sanctification Perspectives**

God's Perspective

- Sanctified (set apart for Him)

Man's Perspective ("phases")

- Positional (imputed R+ / judicially)
- Experiential (imparted R+ / daily)
- Ultimate (completed R+ / eternally)

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### **Positional Salvation ("past" tense)**

God's will is to save (deliver) the whole world (Jn 3:16) from the guilt and penalty of sin; however, the gate is narrow that leads to life (Mt 7:13-14), so not all are saved. A person is positionally saved when they believe, are justified, and righteousness is imputed (judicially) to their account. (Lk 7:50; 1Co 1:18; 2Co 2:15; 2Ti 1:9)

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