

# CURRENT EVENTS UNTIL THE END OF TIME

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## COVER STORY

# SCIENCE: HONESTY, REVISION, AND HUMILITY IN THE AGE OF DATA



### TECHNOLOGY

Robotics and medicine

### BIBLE

Order of Salvation

### FINANCE

Bonds and rates

### CLIMATE

El Niño 2026-27

### WORLD

Ukraine and Baltic

### MIDDLE EAST

Iran and Hormuz



## TO KNOW, TO REVISE, AND TO DISCERN

We live in an age in which information arrives before we have time to understand it. A news item can circle the world in seconds; a scientific finding can become a headline before other researchers have tried to reproduce it; and a political or economic decision can move markets long before its full consequences are known.

Responsible reporting requires us to distinguish what we know from what we assume, what has been demonstrated from what still needs confirmation, and verified fact from interpretation.

This third issue follows that discipline. We examine international developments affecting security, energy, and logistics; we consider how interest rates and bond markets influence investment, firms, and households; and we discuss El Niño 2026-27 with an essential caution: a global climate pattern changes probabilities, but does not guarantee identical impacts in every region.

Science receives special attention in this issue. Science has contributed enormously to human progress. Yet its value does not depend on every conclusion remaining permanent. Its strength lies in the ability to review, test, and correct. When evidence changes, a responsible conclusion may change as well.

The same prudence should guide our reading of current events and our biblical reflection. News should be verified. Interpretation should be identified as interpretation. Scripture should be read in context and within the whole counsel of its testimony.

We also present The Conceptual Order of Salvation, a teaching resource showing how major biblical truths relate to one another, and we close with our Transcendent Miscellany: The Gospel of Grace.

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# UKRAINE: INFRASTRUCTURE UNDER PRESSURE



## KEY TAKEAWAY



**The war continues to affect not only the battlefield, but also civilian infrastructure, transport, and strategic logistics.**

**OCT 1-2**

## KEY FIGURE

Reuters, Oct. 1-2, 2026.

## VERIFIED FACT

On October 1-2, Russian attacks hit Kyiv and Odesa. In Kyiv, a school and bridges across the Dnipro were affected; Odesa reported infrastructure damage. Traffic across several Kyiv river crossings was restricted on October 2.

## WHAT IT MEANS

Bridges, ports, and energy networks have economic and logistical importance as well as military value. Disruption can spread to urban transport, exports, and reconstruction costs.

## WHAT TO WATCH

Transport continuity, energy infrastructure, exports, repair capacity, and the evolution of drone attacks.

## SOURCE

Reuters, Oct. 1-2, 2026.

# BALTIC AND KALININGRAD: TENSION WITHOUT EQUATING RISK WITH IMMINENT WAR



## KEY TAKEAWAY



**Kaliningrad is again drawing attention because of its position between NATO countries and its strategic importance to Russia.**

**SEP 30**

## KEY FIGURE

Reuters, Sep. 30, 2026.

## VERIFIED FACT

Russia warned that it would be prepared to use nuclear weapons if NATO tried to isolate Kaliningrad. NATO Secretary General Mark Rutte responded that he did not see an imminent Russian threat to allied territory.

## WHAT IT MEANS

There is documented tension and high-risk rhetoric. That does not mean direct conflict is inevitable or imminent.

## WHAT TO WATCH

Military exercises, Baltic navigation, Russia-NATO communication, visible force build-up, and risk-reduction measures.

## SOURCE

Reuters, Sep. 30, 2026.

# IRAN: MILITARY DETERRENCE AND DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS



## KEY TAKEAWAY



**Iran is preparing response options in case of renewed U.S. attacks while diplomatic channels remain open.**

**OCT 1**

## KEY FIGURE

Reuters, Oct. 1, 2026.

## VERIFIED FACT

Officials cited by Reuters said Tehran is preparing a broader and more forceful response if the United States resumes large-scale military attacks.

## WHAT IT MEANS

Military planning is not the same as an attack already decided or carried out. The region combines deterrence, sanctions, economic pressure, and negotiation.

## WHAT TO WATCH

Negotiations, sanctions, military activity, official statements, and the condition of Gulf energy routes.

## SOURCE

Reuters, Oct. 1, 2026.

# STRAIT OF HORMUZ: ENERGY FLOWS RECOVER, RISK REMAINS



## KEY TAKEAWAY



**LNG traffic through Hormuz increased during September despite continuing security challenges.**

**19-21**

## KEY FIGURE

Reuters, Oct. 2, 2026.

## VERIFIED FACT

September LNG cargoes exiting the strait reached their highest monthly level since the start of the U.S./Israeli war with Iran. Analytics firms counted roughly 19 to 21 cargoes.

## WHAT IT MEANS

Higher traffic does not mean full normalization. Naval protection, insurance, freight rates, and interruption risk remain central.

## WHAT TO WATCH

Qatar and UAE exports, marine insurance, naval escorts, freight costs, and whether current traffic levels can be sustained through winter.

## SOURCE

Reuters, Oct. 2, 2026.

# REGIONAL AVIATION: SAFETY BEFORE SPECULATION



## KEY TAKEAWAY



**A serious incident on a flydubai flight to Israel again brought regional aviation safety into focus.**

**SEP 30**

## KEY FIGURE

Reuters / Washington Post, Sep. 30, 2026.

## VERIFIED FACT

On September 30 a Dubai-Tel Aviv flight diverted to Saudi Arabia after the first officer attacked the captain. The aircraft entered a sharp descent but landed safely after passengers and crew intervened.

## WHAT IT MEANS

The event and the investigation should be reported without turning unverified theories about motive into conclusions.

## WHAT TO WATCH

Official investigation, cockpit protocols, personnel screening, route security, and the recovery of regional air travel.

## SOURCE

Reuters / Washington Post, Sep. 30, 2026.

# BONDS: THE COST OF MONEY RETURNS TO CENTER STAGE



## KEY TAKEAWAY



**Higher sovereign yields are raising financing costs for governments, companies, and households.**

**5.34%**

## KEY FIGURE

Reuters, Oct. 1-2, 2026.

## VERIFIED FACT

The U.S. 10-year Treasury yield briefly reached 5.34% on October 1, its highest level since 2002, during a global bond sell-off.

## WHAT IT MEANS

Higher yields feed into mortgages, corporate credit, valuations, and project discount rates. They do not automatically imply recession, but they tighten financial conditions.

## WHAT TO WATCH

Inflation, Federal Reserve decisions, fiscal deficits, debt issuance, and the persistence of energy pressures.

## SOURCE

Reuters, Oct. 1-2, 2026.

# DOLLAR, GOLD, AND DEFENSIVE ASSETS



## KEY TAKEAWAY



**No “safe haven” behaves the same way under every type of risk.**

**\$4,181**

## KEY FIGURE

Reuters, Oct. 2, 2026.

## VERIFIED FACT

On October 2, spot gold was near \$4,181 an ounce and headed for a second weekly decline, pressured by a stronger dollar and elevated Treasury yields. The dollar had gained more than 3% since early September.

## WHAT IT MEANS

Gold, the dollar, bonds, and cash respond differently depending on whether inflation, geopolitical risk, fiscal stress, or growth concerns dominate.

## WHAT TO WATCH

U.S. employment, inflation, the Fed, oil, and capital flows into defensive assets.

## SOURCE

Reuters, Oct. 2, 2026.

**KEY TAKEAWAY**

**The energy problem extends beyond crude oil: diesel directly affects transport, agriculture, mining, construction, and logistics.**

**50M bbl**

**KEY FIGURE**

Reuters, Oct. 1-2, 2026.

**VERIFIED FACT**

On October 2, European Union countries discussed a French proposal to release additional diesel stocks in response to high prices and U.S. pressure to increase supply.

**WHAT IT MEANS**

High fuel costs can feed into inflation, production costs, and interest rates, especially for transport- and energy-intensive activity.

**WHAT TO WATCH**

Inventories, IEA and government decisions, refined-product exports, and developments in the Strait of Hormuz.

**SOURCE**

Reuters, Oct. 1-2, 2026.

# EL NIÑO 2026-27: A VERY STRONG EVENT



## KEY TAKEAWAY



**El Niño is established, and the central outlook points to a high-intensity episode during part of 2026-27.**

**>90%**

## KEY FIGURE

NOAA CPC and WMO, Sep. 2026.

## VERIFIED FACT

NOAA reported in September a greater than 90% probability of very strong El Niño conditions during the Northern Hemisphere fall and winter of 2026-27. WMO likewise reported that the event is firmly established.

## WHAT IT MEANS

A strong El Niño changes regional probabilities for temperature and precipitation, but does not determine the same outcome everywhere.

## WHAT TO WATCH

NOAA/WMO updates, Pacific temperatures, rainfall patterns, water availability, agriculture, and hydropower.

## SOURCE

NOAA CPC and WMO, Sep. 2026.



## KEY TAKEAWAY



**A very strong El Niño raises probabilities, but does not guarantee identical impacts everywhere.**

## SCENARIOS

## KEY FIGURE

NOAA CPC; World Meteorological Organization.

## VERIFIED FACT

Climate agencies express these outlooks probabilistically. Greater event intensity can raise the likelihood of typical impacts without guaranteeing a particular local result.

## WHAT IT MEANS

For agriculture, water, infrastructure, and insurance, prudent decisions use scenarios and contingencies rather than a single deterministic forecast.

## WHAT TO WATCH

Water availability, regional floods or droughts, crop production, wildfire risk, access routes, and operational continuity.

## SOURCE

NOAA CPC; World Meteorological Organization.

# DRONES THAT CAN “TOUCH” THEIR ENVIRONMENT



## KEY TAKEAWAY



**Tiny drones can use tactile perception to navigate when vision is insufficient.**

**3.2 g**

## STATUS

**EXPERIMENTAL RESEARCH**

### VERIFIED FACT

Nature Communications published a 3.2-gram whisker-based tactile sensing system on September 18 that enables tiny drones to detect surfaces through gentle contact, even in complete darkness.

### WHAT IT MEANS

Tactile sensing can add redundancy in smoke, caves, dark structures, and around transparent or reflective surfaces where visual or range sensors may fail.

### WHAT TO WATCH

Miniaturization, robustness, autonomy, sensor fusion, and real-world inspection or rescue testing.

## SOURCE

Ye C, de Croon G, Hamaza S. Nature Communications, Sep. 18, 2026.



## KEY TAKEAWAY



**Soft robotics is moving toward machines that can change shape and switch locomotion modes.**

**>9 MODES**

## STATUS

**RESEARCH PROTOTYPE**

## VERIFIED FACT

A paper published September 21 presented a foldable electromagnetic soft robot with more than nine locomotion modes; it can reduce occupied volume by 79% and was tested in environments including gastric models.

## WHAT IT MEANS

Rolling, crawling, jumping, swimming, and folding can enable access where conventional rigid mechanisms are highly constrained.

## WHAT TO WATCH

Control, durability, safety, manufacturing, and validation before any broad clinical deployment.

## SOURCE

Lv Z et al. Nature Communications, Sep. 21, 2026.

# A HEART VALVE DESIGNED TO KEEP PACE WITH A CHILD'S GROWTH



## KEY TAKEAWAY



**An approved innovation addresses a longstanding pediatric problem: children grow while conventional replacement valves remain fixed in size.**

**13→22 mm**

## STATUS

**FDA APPROVED**

## VERIFIED FACT

On October 1, the FDA approved the Autus Size-Adjustable Valve, a surgically implanted pediatric pulmonary valve that can be expanded after surgery as a child grows. It is also the first U.S.-approved valve to use polymeric leaflets rather than animal-derived tissue.

## WHAT IT MEANS

The device may reduce repeat open-heart surgeries in selected pediatric patients. FDA notes that long-term follow-up continues.

## WHAT TO WATCH

Durability, balloon-expansion outcomes, longer-term clinical follow-up, and access to specialized centers.

## SOURCE

U.S. FDA, Oct. 1, 2026.

# THE HOME AS AN EXTENSION OF MEDICAL CARE



## KEY TAKEAWAY



**Part of medical innovation is shifting monitoring and follow-up from the hospital into the home.**

## READI-HOME

## STATUS

**FDA PROGRAM - IN DEVELOPMENT**

### VERIFIED FACT

On September 29, the FDA announced additional participants in READI-Home, a program intended to accelerate development of home-use devices that may help reduce hospital readmissions.

### WHAT IT MEANS

Home care may evolve from basic wellness devices toward regulated medical monitoring and clinical-support systems.

### WHAT TO WATCH

FDA interaction-phase results, design for home use, interoperability, privacy, and evidence that devices reduce readmissions.

### SOURCE

U.S. FDA READI-Home, Sep. 29, 2026.

# FROM SYNGAS TO HIGHER-VALUE ALCOHOLS



## KEY TAKEAWAY



**Better catalytic selectivity can turn the same feedstock into higher-value chemical products.**

**80%**

## STATUS

**CATALYSIS RESEARCH**

### VERIFIED FACT

A September 30 study developed a carbon-overlayed CuCo/Mo<sub>2</sub>C catalyst that achieved 80% selectivity toward value-added alcohols and olefins, including 59% higher alcohols.

### WHAT IT MEANS

The result points toward more selective syngas conversion into useful intermediates for fuels and industrial chemistry.

### WHAT TO WATCH

Scale-up, long-term stability, process integration, catalyst cost, and economics at industrial scale.

### SOURCE

Liu J et al. Nature Communications, Sep. 30, 2026.

# NANOMATERIALS: STRONGER SIGNALS FOR DISTINGUISHING SIMILAR MOLECULES



## KEY TAKEAWAY



**Better control of energy flow inside a nanoparticle can sharply improve its optical response.**

**>150×**

## STATUS

**EXPERIMENTAL DEMONSTRATION**

### VERIFIED FACT

A JACS study reported upconversion nanoparticles with more than a 150-fold enhancement in green luminescence under 808-nm excitation and demonstrated differentiation of mercaptobenzoic-acid isomers at low concentration.

### WHAT IT MEANS

The approach may support future chemical sensing, bioanalysis, impurity detection, and photonics.

### WHAT TO WATCH

Reproducibility, selectivity in complex samples, material cost, instrument miniaturization, and commercial applications.

### SOURCE

Journal of the American Chemical Society, 2026.

# “SUPER INTELLIGENCE”: A TERMINOLOGY CHANGE IN THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH



## KEY TAKEAWAY



A September 29 executive order directs the federal executive branch to use “Super Intelligence” and “SI” in place of “Artificial Intelligence” and “AI” in specified non-statutory documents.

**SEP 29**

## STATUS

**EXECUTIVE ORDER**

### VERIFIED FACT

The order applies “to the maximum extent permitted by law,” leaves statutory definitions in place, and instructs the President’s science and technology adviser to submit proposed legislative language within 60 days.

### WHAT IT MEANS

This is an executive-branch administrative directive. It is not an Act of Congress and does not, by itself, rewrite statutory definitions.

### WHAT TO WATCH

Proposed definition, agency guidance, future documents, and any legislation introduced in Congress.

## SOURCE

The White House, Executive Order, Sep. 29, 2026.

# AMERICA.GOV: A UNIFIED DIGITAL FRONT DOOR FOR FEDERAL SERVICES



## KEY TAKEAWAY



**A second September 29 executive order establishes America.gov as a unified digital entry point for federal information and specified services.**

**SEP 29**

## STATUS

**EXECUTIVE ORDER**

### VERIFIED FACT

The order directs integration with Login.gov, calls for OMB implementation instructions, defines covered services, and leaves record custody and legal authorities with the relevant agencies.

### WHAT IT MEANS

The order reorganizes digital access; it does not by itself create new legal benefits or replace agency authorities.

### WHAT TO WATCH

Technical integration, cybersecurity, data protection, accessibility, and the use of intelligence systems in service delivery.

## SOURCE

The White House, Executive Order, Sep. 29, 2026.

# SCIENCE'S CONTRIBUTION TO THE GLOBAL COMMUNITY



## Honesty, revision, and humility in the age of data

Science is one of humanity's greatest collective instruments for understanding reality and improving human life. Its strength does not lie in every conclusion being permanent, but in the ability to revise a claim when new evidence requires it.

That self-correcting mechanism explains both scientific progress and part of the public distrust science sometimes faces. When nutritional advice, a medical treatment, or a regulatory threshold changes, the natural question is: what should we believe?

The responsible answer is not to promise permanent certainty. It is to explain what kind of evidence exists, how strong it is, what its limitations are, and what future findings could require a different conclusion.



# WHEN EVIDENCE FORCES REVISION



In 2005, John Ioannidis published a methodological essay showing how low statistical power, bias, multiple hypotheses, and analytical flexibility can reduce the probability that a published claim is true. It was not a large empirical replication study; it was a model for understanding why research can produce false-positive findings.

2005

## Ioannidis

Framework describing conditions that make false-positive findings more likely.

2013

## Prasad et al.

146 contradicted medical practices identified in a ten-year review of original articles.

2019

## Herrera-Perez et al.

396 medical reversals identified among more than 3,000 randomized trials in three leading journals.

**Medical reversal: an established practice that, when tested against stronger evidence, fails to show net benefit or proves inferior to another approach.**

The lesson is not to distrust all research. It is to demand stronger designs, replication, transparency, adequate data, and communication that distinguishes an initial finding from converging evidence.

# PROTEIN QUALITY: BETTER MEASUREMENT WITHOUT TURNING A METRIC INTO DOGMA



Protein quality can be evaluated with different methods. PDCAAS has been widely used in regulation and labeling. In 2013, an FAO expert consultation proposed DIAAS, which uses ileal digestibility of indispensable amino acids and addresses several limitations of PDCAAS.

## PDCAAS

- Corrects the amino-acid score using overall protein digestibility.
- Remains part of regulatory practice, including certain FDA protein-label calculations.
- Health Canada formalized a regulatory PDCAAS methodology in 2024.

## DIAAS

- Uses ileal digestibility of indispensable amino acids.
- FAO proposed it as a more refined method for protein-quality evaluation.
- It has not broadly replaced PDCAAS in North American regulation.

Biochemistry also matters: many animal proteins combine high digestibility with substantial leucine density, relevant to muscle protein synthesis. Plant proteins can offer valuable nutritional profiles and, when well combined, can supply indispensable amino acids. The evidence does not support a simple division between one "correct" source and one "incorrect" source.

# SATURATED FAT: FROM A SIMPLE STORY TO MORE NUANCED EVIDENCE



The relationship among saturated fat, cholesterol, and cardiovascular disease has shaped nutrition policy for decades. The history cannot be summarized accurately by saying that one hypothesis was simply "disproved." Modern reviews offer a more nuanced picture and depend, among other factors, on what replaces saturated fat in the diet.

Cochrane (2020): across 15 randomized trials with more than 56,000 participants, reducing saturated fat was associated with a 17% reduction in combined cardiovascular events, with little or no clear effect on all-cause or cardiovascular mortality.

WHO: continues to recommend limiting saturated fat to no more than 10% of total energy intake and prioritizing unsaturated fats.

## EVIDENCE

INITIAL FINDING

REPLICATION

SYNTHESIS

GUIDANCE

# THE CONCEPTUAL ORDER OF SALVATION



## A work that begins with God

**Salvation does not begin with human effort to reach God. It begins with God's initiative and rests on Jesus Christ.**

Scripture presents humanity as needing reconciliation, proclaims Christ's death and resurrection at the center of the gospel, and calls for repentance and faith. The Holy Spirit acts in relation to this salvation, and the believer receives a new standing before God, a filial relationship, and a hope that culminates in glorification.

The phrase "conceptual order of salvation" organizes these truths so their relationships can be understood. It does not mean that each element must always be separated into visibly distinct minutes, days, or chronological stages.

### FOUNDATIONAL BIBLICAL TEXTS

|                             |                                     |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>Romans 3:23</b>          | All have sinned.                    |
| <b>1 Corinthians 15:3-4</b> | Christ's death and resurrection.    |
| <b>John 3:3-8</b>           | New birth.                          |
| <b>Mark 1:15</b>            | Repentance and faith in the gospel. |

# FROM FAITH TO GLORIFICATION



The response to the gospel is expressed in repentance and faith. God justifies the believer, receives the believer as a child, and gives the Holy Spirit as presence and guarantee. Christian life continues in union with Christ, sanctification, and hope.

## WHAT THE INFOGRAPHIC IS SHOWING

- God initiates
- Christ accomplishes redemption
- The gospel announces His work
- The sinner is called to repentance and faith
- God justifies and receives as a child
- The Holy Spirit seals and accompanies
- New life produces fruit
- Hope culminates in glory

## DO NOT CONFUSE

### Cause of salvation:

God's grace

### Foundation:

Christ's work

### Means of reception:

Faith

### Result:

Justification and new life

### Fruit:

Good works

### Hope:

Glorification

**Good works are not the price of salvation; they appear as the fruit of a life reached by grace.**

# THE CONCEPTUAL ORDER OF SALVATION

A multipanel biblical narrative poster



## 1 THE NEED

Sin separates us from God.

Romans 3:23



## 2 CHRIST'S WORK

Jesus died for our sins.

1 Corinthians 15:3



## 3 THE VICTORY

Christ rose on the third day.

1 Corinthians 15:4



## 4 THE GOSPEL

The good news is proclaimed.

Romans 1:16



## 5 THE HOLY SPIRIT

He convicts, enlightens, and reveals Christ.

John 16:8,14



## 6 NEW BIRTH

God imparts new spiritual life.

John 3:3-8



## 7 CONVERSION

Repent and believe the gospel.

Mark 1:15



## 8 UNION WITH CHRIST

In Christ we are a new creation.

2 Corinthians 5:17



## 9 JUSTIFICATION

God declares the believer righteous.

Romans 5:1



## 10 ADOPTION

Received as children and heirs.

Romans 8:15-17



## 11 SEAL AND WALK

The Spirit seals, guides, and sanctifies.

Ephesians 1:13-14



## 12 GLORIFICATION

With Christ forever in glory.

Romans 8:30

**SUMMARY:** Salvation begins in God's grace and rests upon the work of Christ.

**CONCLUSION:** It is proclaimed in the gospel, received through faith, and completed in glory.

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# SOURCES, VERIFICATION, AND EDITORIAL CRITERIA



Editorial cutoff: October 2, 2026. Current-affairs material was checked against primary sources, official bodies, peer-reviewed publications, and established news agencies. Where information was still developing at cutoff, it was not presented as a final conclusion.

## MAIN SOURCES BY AREA

### International affairs

Reuters; relevant official sources.

### Climate

NOAA Climate Prediction Center; World Meteorological Organization.

### Medical technology

U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA).

### Robotics & chemical technology

Nature Communications; Journal of the American Chemical Society.

### U.S. Legal Observatory

The White House; official federal documents.

### Science

PLOS Medicine; Mayo Clinic Proceedings; eLife; FAO; FDA; Health Canada; Cochrane; WHO.

### Biblical review

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**A fact can be verified. Interpretation should be identified.  
Prediction should be treated with caution. Scripture should be read in context.**



## Salvation begins with God, rests on Christ, and is received by faith

The gospel proclaims a truth that runs throughout the New Testament: salvation does not begin with human merit, but with the grace of God.

Humanity needs salvation because sin has brought guilt, separation, and death. Yet God did not leave humanity dependent on its own resources. In Jesus Christ, God took the initiative to redeem. The gospel is not primarily an invitation to improve ourselves until we become acceptable to God; it is the announcement of what God accomplished in Christ for sinners.

Paul summarizes the essential content in 1 Corinthians 15:3-4: Christ died for our sins, was buried, and was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures. The cross and resurrection are the historical and redemptive foundation of the good news.

Grace does not make good works irrelevant; it gives them their proper place. Ephesians 2:8-10 preserves the order: we are saved by grace through faith, not by works; yet we are created in Christ Jesus for good works. Works do not produce salvation: salvation produces a new life.

The gospel calls for repentance and faith. God justifies the one who believes, gives the Holy Spirit as seal and guarantee, and leads the believer toward a transformed life and a hope that culminates in glory.

Ephesians 2:8-10 · 1 Corinthians 15:3-4 · Romans 3:28; 5:1 · Mark 1:15 · Ephesians 1:13-14 · Titus 2:11-14

# THE GOSPEL OF GRACE

Salvation begins with God, rests on Christ, and is received by faith

## 1 THE NEED



All have sinned and need reconciliation with God.

**Romans 3:23**

## 2 GOD'S INITIATIVE



Salvation begins in grace; it is not a wage earned by human merit.

**Ephesians 2:8-9**

## 3 CHRIST'S WORK



Christ died for our sins, was buried, and rose again.

**1 Corinthians 15:3-4**

## 4 THE GOSPEL CALL



God calls sinners to repent and believe in Jesus Christ.

**Mark 1:15**

## 5 JUSTIFIED BY FAITH



The believer receives a new standing before God and peace through Christ.

**Romans 5:1**

## 6 SEALED WITH THE SPIRIT



The Holy Spirit is the seal and guarantee of the future inheritance.

**Ephesians 1:13-14**

## 7 A TRANSFORMED LIFE



Good works are the fruit of salvation, never its price.

**Ephesians 2:10 · Titus 2:11-14**

## 8 THE FINAL HOPE



Grace leads toward complete redemption and glory with Christ.

**Romans 8:30**

**GRACE → CHRIST → FAITH → JUSTIFICATION → SPIRIT → NEW LIFE → GLORY**

**“Not by works, so that no one can boast.” — Ephesians 2:9**

Biblical foundation: Holy Bible, Reina-Valera 1960.

Study support: Francisco Lacueva, Greek-Spanish Interlinear New Testament.

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# CURRENT EVENTS UNTIL THE END OF TIME

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*“Test all things; hold fast what is good.”*

**1 Thessalonians 5:21**

**EXPANDED WEB FEATURE**

## THE LAST GENERATION OF ISRAEL

*Two Visual Representations of the Same Biblical Narrative*

- Biblical-historical version
- Contemporary / our-era version

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