

## Metaphors of Salvation

Former State	New State	Scripture	Details
Enemy of God	Reconciled to God	Romans 5:6-11 Colossians 1:21-22	This <b>reconciliation</b> (κατηλλαγμεν) changes one from moral, spiritual powerlessness, to being free from all accusation.
In the kingdom of darkness	In the kingdom of the Son	Colossians 1:12-13	Believers have been <b>liberated</b> (ερρυσατο) from kingdom of darkness to share in the inheritance of the saints in the kingdom of light.
Lost	Found	Matthew 18:10-14 John 10:1-18	This is based upon the parable of the lost sheep, and Christ's work as the Good Shepherd to rescue or <b>find</b> (ευρειν) that which was lost.
Dead in sins	Alive in Christ	Ephesians 2:1-10	Spiritual death is essentially complete separation which has been solved by Christ's sacrifice which <b>makes us alive</b> (συνεζωοποιησεν) in Him.
Non-citizen, alien, foreigner	Fellow citizens, members of God's household	Ephesians 2:11-22	Once labeled the "uncircumcision" believers are now united as the <b>household</b> (οικειος) of God and a building or temple in which God dwells.
Perishing	Eternal life	John 3:3-21	The key image here is the spiritual rebirth or being born again/from above, which is rescue from punishment and receiving the gift of <b>eternal life</b> (ζωην αιωνιον).
Darkness	Light in the Lord	Ephesians 5:8-14 Philippians 2:15 Matthew 5:14-16	Having previously been in the darkness, the believer is now enabled by the Holy Spirit to live as the <b>children of the light</b> (τεκνα φωτος).
Prisoner	Son of God	Galatians 3:23-28	When we become sons of God we are <b>clothed</b> (ενεδυσασθε) in Christ which means there is equality regardless of race, social standing, or gender.
Slave	Heir	Galatians 3:29 - 4:7 Romans 8:12-17	In Christ, one becomes Abraham's seed and <b>heirs</b> (κληρονομοι) according to the promises which extend back through the Old Testament.
Captured	Redeemed, ransomed, or bought back	Titus 2:14 I Peter 1:18	Apart from Jesus, the human condition is bound and captured by sin, but the blood of Christ <b>paid the ransom price</b> (λυτρωσηται) to free us.