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False Teachings 2

This page will shed the light of the word unto the teachings and or beliefs surrounding these topics:

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Born Again

A false teaching that has been and still is being taught about "a prayer" being called "born again" about being saved by either God the Father our Lord and Savior Christ Jesus is a **distortion and corruption of the truth.** They have replaced the gospel of salvation with man-made doctrine.

These next two paragraphs and prayer are distortions of the truth and have crafted by a manmade salvation doctrine and false beliefs. These are from the Billy Graham Evangelical Association

"What does it mean to be Born Again" Billy Graham Evangelical Association

Jesus said, "I tell you the truth, unless a man is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God" (John 3:3). Our first birth gave us physical life; the new birth gives us spiritual life and membership in God's family (John 1:13). To be born again is to have the Holy Spirit transform our hearts from indifference and hostility toward God to a love of God and a desire for righteousness and holiness. The only way one can come to God and experience what it means to be "born again" is through repentance of sin and faith in Jesus Christ; read John 14:6.

The Bible clearly teaches in Ephesians 2:8-10, Titus 3:5 and Romans 10:13 that salvation is a gift; it cannot be earned in any way. To receive Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord means more than accepting Him as a fact of history, a teacher, or an example. It means more than giving mental assent to the fact that Jesus died on the cross for the sins of the world. It means that one turns from sin and with his or her whole heart trusts in Christ as personal Savior and Lord. God makes that one a new person; see 2 Corinthians 5:17. The Bible says, "To all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God" (John 1:12).

Pray now "Dear God, I know I'm a sinner, and I ask for your forgiveness. I believe Jesus Christ is Your Son. I believe that He died for my sin and that you raised Him to life. I want to trust Him as my Savior and follow Him as Lord, from this day forward. Guide my life and help me to do your will. I pray this in the name of Jesus. Amen."

The previous examples and prayer are nothing but a distortion, and a corruption of the inspired word of God.

As we look into the truth given us to receive salvation through the Inspired word of God, we find that through study of **why being born again based solely on the inspired word of God** and not the doctrine of men and not their distortion and corruption of the context **is so important** (<u>John 3:1-12</u>, <u>John 4:24</u>, <u>Acts 2:38</u>, <u>Acts 2:41</u>, <u>Acts 8:12</u>, <u>Acts 22:16</u>, <u>Romans 6:3</u>, <u>Romans 8:1-17</u>, <u>1</u> Corinthians 12:12-14).

Understanding that the word of God is truth (2 Samuel 7:28, Psalms 119:160 KJV, John 17:17, 1 Peter 1:22) and Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life (John 1:14-17, John 11:25-27, John 14.6, 1 John 5:20) we need to read and listen to words spoken by our Lord Jesus Christ (Matthew 17:1-5, Hebrews 1:1-13) and observe all that he has commanded us (Matthew 28:18-20, Mark 16:14-16) so we can be part of the kingdom of Christ and God (Ephesians 5:5). To be part of the kingdom of Christ and God our Lord Christ Jesus tells us we must be born again (John 3:1-12) so that we can see and enter into the kingdom of God and to eternal life (Matthew 19:29, Acts 13:47-48), our new walk of life after being born again and being forgiven for our sins, and have

received the gift of the Holy Spirit (<u>Acts 2:38</u>), and an appeal to God for a good conscience (<u>Hebrews 10:22</u>, <u>1 Peter 3:21</u>), we begin our walk in newness of life (<u>Romans 6:4-13 NASB</u>) and serve in the newness of the spirit and not the oldness of the law (<u>Romans 2:29 NASB</u>, <u>Romans 7:6 NASB</u>), we have become a new creature (<u>2 Corinthians 5:17 NASB</u>, <u>Galatians 2:20</u> NASB, Galatians 6:15 NASB, Ephesians 4:290-24 NASB, Colossians 3:10 NASB).

We need to learn and obey the commandments and the teachings from our Lord Jesus Christ (Matthew 13:37-38, Matthew 28:18-20, Luke 1:1-4, John 14.15, Acts 1:1-4, Romans 10:17), and the Apostles teachings (Acts 1:1-2, Acts 2:42, Romans 1:1-6, Hebrews 1:1-4), and the Lord's brothers James and Jude (James 1:1, Jude 1:1), and the former teachings and examples of the Old Testament revealed by the Holy Spirit (John 16:5-15, Romans 15:4, 2 Timothy 3:16, 2 Peter 1:19-21 NASB).

The Gospel is Gods' power for salvation because it shows us Gods' righteousness through faith for all those who believe (Romans 1:16-17 NASB).

These are just but a few of the scriptural references that instruct us how to receive the Gospel of our Salvation:

Hear the Gospel:

<u>Matthew 4:23, Matthew 7:24, Matthew 9:35, Matthew 24:14, Matthew 28:18-20, Mark 4:20, Mark 8:35, Luke 8:15, Acts 15:7, Romans 1:16-17 NASB, Romans 10:14 NASB, Romans 10:17 NASB, Colossians 1:3-5, Hebrews 11:6; James 2:17-18.</u>

Believe the Gospel:

<u>Matthew 24:14, Matthew 28:18-20, Mark 1:15, Mark 16:15, John 3:15, John 3:36, John 5:24, John 6:68-69, John 8:24, John 11:25-27, John 20:30-31 NASB, Acts 8:12, Romans 10:9-14 NASB, Ephesians 1:13, 2 Thessalonians 1:10, 1 John 5:10-13.</u>

Repent of your Sins:

Psalms 7:12-16; Matthew 3:2, Matthew 11:20, Mark 1:15, Mark 6:12, Luke 13:3-5, Luke 16:30, Luke 17:3-4, Luke 24.47, Acts 2:38, Acts 3:19, Acts 17:30, Romans 2:4 NASB, 2 Corinthians 7:10, 2 Peter 3:9.

Confess "Jesus is the Christ the Son of the living God":

<u>Matthew 10:32-33</u>, <u>Matthew 16:16</u>, <u>Luke 12:8-9</u>, <u>John 3:11-18</u>, <u>John 6:68-69</u>, <u>John 11:25-27</u>, <u>John 20:30-31 NASB</u>, <u>Acts 9:20-22</u>, <u>Romans 10:9-10 NASB</u>, <u>1 Timothy 6:12</u>, <u>1 John 2:23</u>, <u>1 John 4:15</u>, <u>1 John 5:13</u>.

Be baptized in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ or the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit:

(Matthew 3:13-17, Matthew 28:18-20, Mark 1:7-8, Mark 16:16, Luke 3:4-9, John 3:1-7, Acts 2:38-41, Acts 9:15-18, Acts 22:16, Romans 6:3-11 NASB, 1 Corinthians 6.11, 1 Corinthians 12:12-13 NASB, Galatians 3:27-29 NASB, Ephesians 4:1-7, Hebrews 10:22, 1 Peter 3:21).

Be Faithfull until Death:

<u>Matthew 16:26</u>, <u>Luke 8:15</u>, <u>Luke 9:62</u>, <u>Luke 21:19</u>, <u>Acts 14:22</u>, <u>Romans 5:1-5</u>, <u>Romans 8:18-25</u>, <u>Hebrews 10:26-36</u>, <u>Hebrews 11:6</u>, <u>Hebrews 12:1-17</u>, <u>James 1:3-4</u>, <u>James 5:10-11</u>, <u>1 Peter 2:19-25</u>, <u>1 Peter 3:14-17 KJV</u>, <u>1 Peter 4:12-19</u>, <u>Jude 1:17-25</u>, <u>Revelation 2:10</u>, <u>Revelation 3:10-13</u>.

These are just but a few of the scriptural references that shine the light of truth so that we can not only understand the grace of God that is being offered to us through salvation but accept that grace and salvation through faith in Jesus Christ and become obedient from our heart to God the Father, Our Lord Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit.

Matthew 3:13-17

13 Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. 14 John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" 15 But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. 16 And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him; 17 and behold, a voice from heaven said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

Mark 10:14-15

14 But when Jesus saw it, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. 15 Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it."

John 1:10-13

10 He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. 11 He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him. 12 But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, 13 who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

John 3:1-12

1 Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews; 2 this man came to Jesus by night and said to Him, "Rabbi, we know that You have come from God as a teacher; for no one can do these signs that You do unless God is with him." 3 Jesus answered and said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God."

4 Nicodemus *said to Him, "How can a man be born when he is old? He cannot enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born, can he?" 5 Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. 6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. 7 Do not be amazed that I said to you, 'You must be born again.' 8 The wind blows where it wishes and you hear the sound of it, but do not know where it comes from and where it is going; so is everyone who is born of the Spirit." 9 Nicodemus said to Him, "How can these things be?" 10 Jesus answered and said to him, "Are you the teacher of Israel and do not understand these things? 11 Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know and testify of what we have seen, and you do not accept our testimony. 12 If I told you earthly things and you do not believe, how will you believe if I tell you heavenly things?

Acts 2:38

38 And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Galatians 4:4-7

4 But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, 5 to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. 6 And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" 7 So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

1 Peter 1:3-4

3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, 4 to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you,

1 Peter 1:10-25

10 Concerning this salvation, the prophets who prophesied about the grace that was to be yours searched and inquired carefully, 11 inquiring what person or time the Spirit of Christ in them was indicating when he predicted the sufferings of Christ and the subsequent glories. 12 It was revealed to them that they were serving not themselves but you, in the things that have now been announced to you through those who preached the good news to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven, things into which angels long to look. 13 Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. 14 As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, 15 but as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, 16 since it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy." 17 And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, 18 knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, 19 but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. 20 He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for the sake of you

21 who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God. 22 Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, 23 since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; 24 for "All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, 25 but the word of the Lord remains forever." And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

1 Peter 2:1-12

1 So put away all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander. 2 Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up into salvation—3 if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. 4 As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, 5 you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. 6 For it stands in Scripture: "Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious, and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame." 7 So the honor is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone," 8 and "A stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense." They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. 9 But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. 10 Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. 11 Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul. 12 Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation.

1 John 1:5-10

5 This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. 6 If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. 7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. 8 If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 10 If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

1 John 2:28-29

28 And now, little children, abide in him, so that when he appears we may have confidence and not shrink from him in shame at his coming. 29 If you know that he is righteous, you may be sure that everyone who practices righteousness has been born of him.

Conclusion

Our God and Father has told us to listen to His Son our Lord and Christ Jesus as written in (Matthew 17:5-7 Mark 9:7-8, Luke 9:28-35, Acts 3:22-23). Our Lord Christ Jesus has told us that to be saved one needs to be born again through baptism to be part of the body in Christ (Matthew 28:18-20, Mark 16:16, John 3:1-7, Acts 2:38, Ephesians 5:22-27, Titus 3:4-8, Hebrews 10:22). These will be our first steps in the newness of life as a Christian towards the Kingdom of God in Heaven (2 Corinthians 5:17, Romans 6:3-4, Galatians 6:15, Ephesians 4:17-24, Colossians 3:1-17).

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The Enemy

The titles of our enemy; the devil, the serpent, Satan, the evil one, creature, the tempter, Beelzebul, adversary, accuser, wicked one, the deceiver of the whole world, the god of this world, the prince of the power of the air, the father of lies, the antichrist.

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These are just a few of the scriptural references of our enemy;

Genesis 3:1-6 RSV

1 Now the serpent was more subtle than any other wild creature that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat of any tree of the garden'?" 2 And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of he trees of the garden; 3 but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die."" 4 But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die. 5 For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." 6 So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, and he ate.

Job 1:6-12

6 Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan also came among them. 7 The LORD said to Satan, "From where have you come?" Satan answered the LORD and said, "From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking up and down on it." 8 And the LORD said to Satan, "Have you considered my servant Job, that there is none like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man, who fears God and turns away from evil?" 9 Then Satan answered the LORD and said, "Does Job fear God for no reason? 10 Have you not put a hedge around him and his house and all that he has, on every side? You have blessed the work of his hands, and his possessions have increased in the land. 11 But stretch out your hand and touch all that he has, and he will curse you to your face." 12 And the LORD said to Satan, "Behold, all that he has is in your hand. Only against him do not stretch out your hand." So, Satan went out from the presence of the LORD.

Zechariah 3:1

1 Then he showed me Joshua the high priest standing before the angel of the LORD, and Satan standing at his right hand to accuse him.

Matthew 4:1-11

1 Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. 2 And after fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. 3 And the tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." 4 But he answered, "It is written, "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God." 5 Then the devil took him to the holy city and set him on the pinnacle of the temple 6 and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written, "He will command his angels concerning you,' and "On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone." 7 Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test." 8 Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. 9 And he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." 10 Then Jesus said to him, "Be gone, Satan! For it is written," 'You shall worship the Lord your God and him only shall you serve." 11 Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and were ministering to him.

Matthew 10:24-26

24 "A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a slave above his master. 25 It is enough for the disciple that he become like his teacher, and the slave like his master. If they have called the head of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign the members of his household! 26 "Therefore do not fear them, for there is nothing concealed that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known.

Matthew 13:18-23

18 "Hear then the parable of the sower: 19 When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what has been sown in his heart. This is what was sown along the path. 20 As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy, 21 yet he has no root in himself, but endures for a while, and when tribulation or persecution arises on account of the word, immediately he falls away. 22 As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and it proves unfruitful. 23 As for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it. He indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

Matthew 25:34-46

34 Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. 35 For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, 36 I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' 37 Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? 38 And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? 39 And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' 40 And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.' 41 "Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. 42 For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, 43 I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' 44 Then they also will answer, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?' 45 Then he will answer them, saying, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' 46 And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

John 8:44

44 You are of your father the devil, and your will is to do your father's desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks out of his own character, for he is a liar and the father of lies.

1 Corinthians 2:5

5 so that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.

2 Corinthians 11:14-15

14 And no wonder, for even Satan disguises himself as an angel of light. 15 So it is no surprise if his servants, also, disguise themselves as servants of righteousness. Their end will correspond to their deeds.

Ephesians 2:1-3

1 And you were dead in the trespasses and sins 2 in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience 3 among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind.

Ephesians 4:10-14

10 He who descended is the one who also ascended far above all the heavens, that he might fill all things.) 11 And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, 12 to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, 13 until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, 14 so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes.

Ephesians 4:17-32

17 Now this I say and testify in the Lord, that you must no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds. 18 They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their hardness of heart. 19 They have become callous and have given themselves up to sensuality, greedy to practice every kind of impurity. 20 But that is not the way you learned Christ!—21 assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus, 22 to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, 23 and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, 24 and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness. 25 Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. 26 Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, 27 and give no opportunity to the devil. 28 Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need. 29 Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. 30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. 31 Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. 32 Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

Ephesians 6:10-18 NASB

10 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might. 11 Put on the full armor of God, so that you will be able to stand firm against the schemes of the devil. 12 For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places. 13 Therefore, take up the full armor of God, so that you will be able to resist in the evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. 14 Stand firm therefore, HAVING GIRDED YOUR LOINS WITH TRUTH, and HAVING PUT ON THE BREASTPLATE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS, 15 and having shod YOUR FEET WITH THE PREPARATION OF THE GOSPEL OF PEACE; 16 in addition to all, taking up the shield of faith with which you will be able to extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. 17 And take THE HELMET OF SALVATION, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. 18 With all prayer and petition pray at all times in the Spirit, and with this in view, be on the alert with all perseverance and petition for all the saints,

2 Thessalonians 2:1-12

1 Now concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we ask you, brothers, 2 not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by a spirit or a spoken word, or a letter seeming to be from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord has come. 3 Let no one deceive you in any way. For that day will not come, unless the rebellion comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction, 4 who opposes and exalts himself against every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, proclaiming himself to be God. 5 Do you not remember that when I was still with you I told you these things? 6 And you know what is restraining him now so that he may be revealed in his time. 7 For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work. Only he who now restrains it will do so until he is out of the way. 8 And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will kill with the breath of his mouth and bring to nothing by the appearance of his coming. 9 The coming of the lawless one is by the activity of Satan with all power and false signs and wonders, 10 and with all wicked deception for those who are perishing, because they refused to love the truth and so be saved. 11 Therefore God sends them a strong delusion, so that they may believe what is false, 12 in order that all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

1 Timothy 3:6

6 He must not be a recent convert, or he may become puffed up with conceit and fall into the condemnation of the devil.

2 Timothy 3:1-9

1 But understand this, that in the last days there will come times of difficulty. 2 For people will be lovers of self, lovers of money, proud, arrogant, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, 3 heartless, unappeasable, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not loving good, 4 treacherous, reckless, swollen with conceit, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, 5 having the appearance of godliness, but denying its power. Avoid such people.

6 For among them are those who creep into households and capture weak women, burdened with sins and led astray by various passions, 7 always learning and never able to arrive at a knowledge of the truth. 8 Just as Jannes and Jambres opposed Moses, so these men also oppose the truth, men corrupted in mind and disqualified regarding the faith. 9 But they will not get very far, for their folly will be plain to all, as was that of those two men.

James 2:19

19 You believe that God is one; you do well. Even the demons believe—and shudder!

James 3:13-18

13 Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good conduct let him show his works in the meekness of wisdom. 14 But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast and be false to the truth. 15 This is not the wisdom that comes down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. 16 For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice. 17 But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere. 18 And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

James 4:5-12

5 Or do you suppose it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, "He yearns jealously over the spirit that he has made to dwell in us"? 6 But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble." 7 Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. 8 Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. 9 Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. 10 Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you. 11 Do not speak evil against one another, brothers. The one who speaks against a brother or judges his brother, speaks evil against the law and judges the law. But if you judge the law, you are not a doer of the law but a judge. 12 There is only one lawgiver and judge, he who is able to save and to destroy. But who are you to judge your neighbor?

1 Peter 5:8-9

8 Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. 9 Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world.

1 John 3:8

8 Whoever makes a practice of sinning is of the devil, for the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the works of the devil.

1 John 4:1-4

1 Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, for many false prophets have gone out into the world.

2 By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, 3 and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you heard was coming and now is in the world already. 4 Little children, you are from God and have overcome them, for he who is in you is greater than he who is in the world.

1 John 5:4

4 For whatever is born of God overcomes the world; and this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith.

1 John 5:18-21

18 We know that everyone who has been born of God does not keep on sinning, but he who was born of God protects him, and the evil one does not touch him. 19 We know that we are from God, and the whole world lies in the power of the evil one. 20 And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us understanding, so that we may know him who is true; and we are in him who is true, in his Son Jesus Christ. He is the true God and eternal life. 21 Little children, keep yourselves from idols.

2 John 1:7-9

7 For many deceivers have gone out into the world, those who do not confess the coming of Jesus Christ in the flesh. Such a one is the deceiver and the antichrist. 8 Watch yourselves, so that you may not lose what we have worked for, but may win a full reward. 9 Everyone who goes on ahead and does not abide in the teaching of Christ, does not have God. Whoever abides in the teaching has both the Father and the Son.

Jude 1:5-7 NASB

5 Now I desire to remind you, though you know all things once for all, that the Lord, after saving a people out of the land of Egypt, subsequently destroyed those who did not believe. 6 And angels who did not keep their own domain, but abandoned their proper abode, He has kept in eternal bonds under darkness for the judgment of the great day, 7 just as Sodom and Gomorrah and the cities around them, since they in the same way as these indulged in gross immorality and went after strange flesh, are exhibited as an example in undergoing the punishment of eternal fire.

Revelation 20:10 NASB

10 And the devil who deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are also; and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.

Conclusion

In (<u>Romans 10:14-17</u> and <u>1 John 5:4</u>) our faith that comes from the word of our Lord Christ Jesus as He is the author and perfector of our faith (<u>Hebrews 12:2</u>), has overcome the devil (<u>1 John 4:4</u>, <u>1 John 5:4-5</u>), and has destroyed the works of devil (<u>1 John 3:8</u>).

The devil who is the ruler of this world has been judged (<u>John 16:11</u>), and has been cast out of (<u>John 12:31</u>), and has been condemned (<u>Revelation 20:10</u>).

Our Lord Christ Jesus sits at the right hand of God the Father (<u>Matthew 22:44</u>, <u>Matthew 26:64</u>, <u>Ephesians 1:20</u>, <u>Colossians 3:1</u>, <u>Hebrews 1:3</u>) the creator of all (<u>Ecclesiastes 12:1</u>, <u>Isaiah 40:28</u>, <u>Romans 1:25</u>) as our King of Kings and Lord of Lords (<u>Revelation 19:16</u>), and who planted the good seed in the world His word (<u>Matthew 13:37</u>) and He will judge the world by His word (<u>Matthew 25:31-46</u>, <u>Revelation 1:9</u>, <u>Revelation 3:10-13</u>).

Galatians 4:16

16 Have I then become your enemy by telling you the truth?

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Religious Holy Days and or Religious Holidays?

These days that people set aside **as religious holy days and or religious holidays** are based on **false beliefs taught by false teachers and blind guides**. This **distortion of the truth** has **corrupted the hearts and minds of men, women, and children through-out the world.** To continue to spread these false beliefs and calling many of these days that is to be considered a religious holy day and or a religious holiday with some form of worship that must be honored is deceitful and calling evil good.

These days that are stated to be a religious holy day and or religious holidays are outside the authority of the inspired word of God are not religious holy days or religious holidays. The days that were commanded to be holy days that were established within the Old Testament or Old Covenant have been abolished they no longer exist.

To continue honoring these days as religious holy days and or religious holidays would be conforming to the world around us and supporting their false beliefs and false teachings (Romans 12:1-2 KJV, James 4:4, 1 John 2:15-17).

My hope is to show you the truth as written in the Holy Bible and revealing the light of our marvelous Lord Christ Jesus into the darkness on these false beliefs and false teachings and blind guides.

These are just but some of the few scriptural verses and passages that warn us of false teacher's and their false beliefs as well as adding to or taking away from the word of God, (<u>Deuteronomy 4:2</u>, <u>Deuteronomy 12:32</u>, <u>Deuteronomy 13:1-10</u>, <u>Deuteronomy 18:18-19</u>, <u>Proverbs 30:5-6</u>, <u>Jeremiah 23:25-27</u>, <u>Jeremiah 23:32</u>, <u>Malachi 2:17</u>, <u>Matthew 7:15-20</u>, <u>Luke 6:43-45</u>, <u>Luke 16:15</u>, <u>Romans 16:1-18</u>, <u>Galatians 1:8-9</u>, <u>1 Timothy 1:3-7</u>, <u>2 Timothy 3:1-5</u>, <u>Titus 3:9-11</u>, <u>2 Peter 2:1-22</u>, <u>1 John 2:18-27</u>, <u>1 John 4:1-3</u>, <u>2 John 1:7-11</u>, <u>Jude 1:3-25</u>, <u>Revelation 22:18-19 NASB</u>).

"Christmas"

Based on historical research of the Holy Bible and documents the year of our Lord Christ Jesus was born between the years of 8 B.C. and 4 B.C. This is based on the records of the timeline of Herod the ruler of Judea (Britannica Herod the King, World History Herod the great), and Quirinius the governor of Syria (Quirinius: An Archaeological Biography, Bible Studies) when the Holy Bible speaks of the birth of our Lord Christ Jesus (Matthew 2:1-23, Luke 2:1-5). The actual day and year of our Lord Christ Jesus within the inspired word of God has not been given for us to know (Deuteronomy 29:29).

We have been asked by Lord Christ Jesus to remember his death, burial and resurrection by partaking of the bread and fruit of the vine on every Lord's day (the first day of the week, Sunday), (<u>Luke 22:19-20</u>, <u>1 Corinthians 11:23-33 NASB</u>).

This false belief and false teaching that our Lord Christ Jesus was born on December 25, had been established by the Roman Empire in the 4th century A.D.

The origin of the word "Christmas" comes from the word "Christ-mass" which comes from the meaning "mass on Christ's day" or "mass of Christ" these false teachings of a "mass of Christ" which is a distortion and corruption of the "The Lord's supper" and a false teaching from these self-made religions named Catholicism, Presbyterian, oriental orthodox and eastern orthodox using their corrupted act of the "Lord's supper" called the "Eucharist." Which comes from their false teachings called "Catechism."

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The word "transubstantiation" is commonly used in the Roman Catholic Church to indicate that God acting in the eucharist effects a change in the inner reality of the elements. The term "transubstantiation" is seen as a mysterious and radical change which takes place. In Roman Catholic theology, it is not understood as explaining how the change takes place.

"Transubstantiation," in Christianity, the change by which the substance (though not the appearance) of the bread and wine in the Eucharist becomes Christ's real presence—that is, his body and blood. In Roman Catholicism and some other Christian churches, the doctrine, which was first called transubstantiation in the 12th century, aims at safeguarding the literal truth of Christ's presence while emphasizing the fact that there is no change in the empirical appearances of the bread and wine. (Encyclopedia Britannica Transubstantiation)

The Roman Catholic interpretation of the Eucharist requires the participant to eat human flesh and drink human blood. Remember, Roman Catholicism teaches that the bread and the wine become the actual body and blood of Christ. Essentially, this amounts to cannibalism.

What does the Scripture say concerning this?

Genesis 9:4

4 But you shall not eat flesh with its life, that is, its blood.

Leviticus 17:14

14 "For as for the life of all flesh, its blood is identified with its life. Therefore I said to the sons of Israel, 'You are not to eat the blood of any flesh, for the life of all flesh is its blood; whoever eats it shall be cut off.'

1 Samuel 14:33

33 Then they told Saul, "Behold, the people are sinning against the LORD by eating with the blood." And he said, "You have dealt treacherously; roll a great stone to me here."

Acts 15:20

20 but should write to them to abstain from the things polluted by idols, and from sexual immorality, and from what has been strangled, and from blood.

Acts 15:29

29 that you abstain from what has been sacrificed to idols, and from blood, and from what has been strangled, and from sexual immorality. If you keep yourselves from these, you will do well. Farewell."

Notice that the scripture says that you are not to eat the blood of any flesh. It would certainly

appear that the Roman Catholic view is in contradiction to the inspired word of God since it advocates the eating of the blood.

These false teachings that surround our Lord Christ Jesus take His name in vain, distort and corrupt the doctrine of Christ and deny the word of God as truth.

We come together to honor our Lord Christ Jesus and partake in the "Lord's supper" that was instituted by our Lord Christ Jesus for the remembrance, and celebration of His death, burial, and resurrection. We are proclaiming the Lord's death until He comes. By partaking of the Lord's Supper, we are also proclaiming our freedom from the slavery of sin, Satan, and death. We are proclaiming redemption by God as we recall the sacrifice of our Lord and the covenant initiated to us by our Lord. We are not only sorrowful because of what our sins have done to Christ, but we are celebrating our standing with God because of Christ's sacrifice. We are proclaiming to one another and to the outsiders that we are children of God, redeemed by the blood of the Lamb. Cited from Coffman commentaries "1 Corinthians Chapter 11" (verse 25).

- The bread represents the shame, the humiliation, and the suffering that Christ endured by coming in the form of a man and allowing His creation to put Him to death.
- The fruit of the vine is for remembrance of the new covenant of His blood that He shed for us to redeem us, for the forgiveness of our sins, to ransom us from our futile ways.

Cited from West Pam Beach Church of Christ "The Purpose of The Lord's Supper"

These are the truths surrounding the Lord's supper they are given to us in the inspired written word of God, (Matthew 26:26-32, Mark 14:22-25, Luke 22:18-20, Acts 20:28, Romans 3:21-26, Romans 5:1-11, 1 Corinthians 11:20-34, Ephesians 1:1-8, Ephesians 2:13-22 NASB,1 Timothy 2:5-6, Hebrews 9:11-24, 1 Peter 1:14-19, 1 John 1:5-7).

The Roman empire established a religious system called "Catholicism" a structure of false teachings and false beliefs that they created from distorting and corrupting the one true faith. These false teachings and false beliefs included the folding of pagan celebrations into their man-made religion such as "saturnalia" which was a celebration from December 17th to December 25th. This celebration included decorations, gift giving, festivals, idol worship, drunkenness, gambling, singing and sexual immorality. This false religion along with the other false religions that have been created by man-made doctrines in this world have sent billions and billions of people to their graves and their souls to eternal damnation.

These false teachings and false beliefs that are part of these man-made religions include false teachings such as "born with sin", "infant baptism", "holy water", "exorcism", "purgatory", "praying for the dead", "praying to the dead" and praying to dead people that were saints or dead people that have been called a "saint", and worshipping and praying to mother of Jesus our Lord,

these false beliefs and teachings are calling evil good (Exodus 23:7, Psalms 94:21, Proverbs 24:24-25, Proverbs 17:15, Isaiah 5:20, Matthew 7:15-20).

They have established "December 25th" a "religious holy day" and have created all these objects such as incense, candles, robes, bells, and they bless trees, bless manger scenes, bless statues, and they kiss the feet of a statue, kiss the hand or a ring on a man, and doing all this as a worship service to our Lord Christ Jesus and God the Father and Holy Spirit. These are rituals established around idol worship, which is sinful, evil, and wicked and the punishment for these sins by the word of God is death (Romans 6:23) as all sins the wage is death.

But to look at the time of year known as Christmas as a secular holiday or secular holiday season and to be part of the traditional aspects of decorating your home, sharing food, giving of gifts, enjoying time with loved ones, friends, family and others is a part of loving one another and it is one thing that our Lord and Christ Jesus has said " to love one another". With no association to worship or a holy day or holy holiday.

We need be wise of our time and be aware of our actions and how others see us. We should be caring and loving people not sinful in our thoughts, intentions, words or actions.

"Easter"

In the inspired word of God, the Holy Bible there is no scriptural references that support these man-made religious holy festival or festivals, or holy celebration or holy celebrations associated to the weeks or days or day of our Lord's Jesus Christs' resurrection. Lent, Palm Sunday, Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday also called Easter Vigil, Easter, or any other day that is associated to these. These day or days are not to be idolized or worshiped or to be considered holy.

The Old Testament or Old Covenant our God had commanded certain days, weeks, food, clothing, people, and places to be considered Holy. The New Testament or New Covenant replaced the Old Testament or Old Covenant with better promises, laws, and new commandments. The days, weeks, food, clothing, and places that were made Holy in the Old Testament are no longer considered to be Holy. These include the Jewish Sabbath, all festivals, and all places on earth.

These are just but some of the scriptural references to what is to be holy, which is the heart, mind, body and soul of the faithful baptized believers in the body (the church) in Christ (Psalms 89:7, John 17:17, Romans 6:1-19, Romans 8:1-19, Romans 12:1-2, Romans 15:16, 1 Corinthians 3:16-17, 2 Corinthians 6:15-18, 2 Corinthians 7:1, Ephesians 1:4, Ephesians 2:13-22, Ephesians 4:1-7, Ephesians 4:24, 1 Thessalonians 2:10-12, 1 Thessalonians 4:1-12, 1 Thessalonians 5:22-23, Hebrews 3:1-6, Hebrews 10:1-31, 2 Timothy 2:21, James 3:13, 1 Peter 1:13-23, 1 Peter 2:1-10, 1 John 3:3, Revelation 1:6, Revelation 5:10).

These are just but some of the scriptural references to who we worship is Holy, God the Father, our Lord and King Christ Jesus, and the Holy Spirit (Genesis 17:1, Leviticus 19:2, Leviticus 20:26, Matthew 1:18-23, Matthew 3:11, Matthew 6:9-13, John 4:24, Acts 10:38, Romans 1:1-6, Romans 8:1-17, Romans 12:1-2, 2 Corinthians 1:3, Ephesians 1:3, Ephesians 1:20-22, 1 Thessalonians 4:7-8, Hebrews 1:1-13, Hebrews 3:1-6, Hebrews 10:1-31, Hebrews 12:28, Hebrews 13:15, James 4:12, 1 Peter 1:3, 1 Peter 1:13, Revelation 1:6, Revelation 4:1-11, Revelation 5:1-14, Revelation 11:15, Revelation 22:1-5).

There is no separate day or days outside the written word of God to be honored as a day of worship to God other than the first day of the week, known as the Lord's Day or Sunday. Our Lord Christ Jesus established this day a day of celebration for remembrance of his death, burial and resurrection (Matthew 28:1, John 20:19, Acts 20:7, 1 Corinthians 11:20-26, 1 Corinthians 16:1-2, Revelation 1:10).

Our Lord Jesus commands us to deny-self, take up our cross daily and follow Him (<u>Luke 9:23</u>), and not to be part of this world (<u>Matthew 16:26</u>, <u>Matthew 18:7</u>, <u>Mark 4:19</u>, <u>Ephesians 2:2</u>, <u>James 4:4</u>, <u>1 John 2:15-17</u>, <u>1 John 3:13</u>, <u>Revelation 3:10</u>), but to be salt and a light in the world (<u>Matthew 5:13-16</u>, <u>Matthew 24:14</u>, <u>Mark 16:15-16</u>), and to be able to bear fruit (<u>Matthew 3:8,10</u>, <u>Matthew 7.19</u>, <u>Matthew 12:33</u>, <u>Matthew 13:23</u>, <u>Matthew 21:38-43</u>, <u>Luke 8:15</u>, <u>John 15:1-11</u>, <u>Romans 5:1-11</u>, <u>Romans 7:4-6</u>, <u>Romans 14:17-19</u>, <u>Galatians 5:22-26</u>) along with the patience in well-doing, glory, honor and immortality (<u>Romans 2:6-10</u>) that comes from being faithful baptized believers (<u>Mark 16:16</u>).

Our Father in heaven commands us to be holy as He is holy, we are to be holy in all of our conduct (John 17:17-26, Acts 20:32, Acts 26:15-18, Romans 15:15-19, 1 Corinthians 6:17-20, 2 Corinthians 7:1, 1 Thessalonians 4:7, 1 Timothy 4:1-5, Hebrews 2:9-18. Hebrews 10:12-25, Hebrews 12:14, 1 Peter 1:15-16, 1 John 3:3).

Our Lord Christ Jesus has told us that to worship God by the doctrines of men is to worship God in vain (<u>Isaiah 29:13</u>, <u>Mark 7:6-7</u>).

In <u>John 4 verses 23-24</u> our Lord tells us that God seeks people to worship Him in Spirit and in truth (<u>John 4:23-24</u>, <u>Romans 2:29</u>, <u>Romans 9:6-16</u>, <u>Romans 9:30-33</u>, <u>Ephesians 2:10-18</u>, <u>Philippians 3:3 NASB</u>).

In <u>John 3 verses 2-7</u> our Lord tells us that unless we are born again, we cannot see or enter the kingdom of God (<u>John 1:12-14</u>, <u>John 3:2-7</u>, <u>Romans 6:1-11</u>, <u>Galatians 3:26-29</u>). To be born again is to be born into the body (the church) in Christ through baptism (<u>Matthew 28:18-20</u>, <u>Mark 16:15-16</u>, <u>John 7:37-39</u>, <u>Acts 2:38</u>, <u>1 Corinthians 12:12-14</u>, <u>Ephesians 4:1-7</u>).

Conclusion

To follow the inspired word of God is the only way to find the truth, seek Gods' kingdom and His righteousness (Matthew 6:33, Matthew 10:34-39, Luke 9:23-26, John 14:6) do not follow the doctrines of men.

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Jesus Returns to Reign on Earth?

There are man-made self-religions that have false beliefs and teachings associated to our Lord Christ Jesus return, these false religions teach that Jesus will return to reign on the earth. When our Lord Christ Jesus appears in the clouds in His glory with the Holy angel's it is to bring His people home to heaven. He is coming to separate the saved from the lost and redeem those who are waiting for him, he is not returning to deal with sin but save those eagerly that are waiting for him. Our Lord and Christ Jesus had already established a reign on earth roughly 1988 years ago on the day of Pentecost when He built His church (the body) in Christ Matthew 13:36-43, Matthew 16:27, Matthew 24:29-31, Matthew 25:31-40, Matthew 26:64, Mark 8:38, Luke 9:26, Luke 21:27-28, Acts 1:6-11, 1 Corinthians 15:50-58, 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18, 2 Thessalonians 1:7-10, Hebrews 9:11-28, 2 Peter 3:1-18, Jude 1:3-25, Revelation 1:4-8, Revelation 5:6-10, Revelation 6:9-17, Revelation 22:12-15).

Conclusion

There is no other truth than the word of God and one must consider their conscience when they decide to believe either God or mankind for it is a decision that will last for all eternity.

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Which Belief leads to Eternal Life?

There are all these different beliefs and teachings about a god, gods, goddesses, heaven and eternity, eternal life, and all of them are false and deceitful. They are false beliefs and false teachings taught by individuals, groups, ministries, schools, and governments. These false teachers, false preachers, blind guides with their doctrines and commandments of men can be found in any of these man-made temples, mandirs, monasteries, chapels, churches, sanctuaries, synagogues, and mosques. There are all these denominations, cults, idol worshippers with their false beliefs and each and every one of these will only lead you to an eternal life that is condemned to hell for all eternity (Jeremiah 5:3, Matthew 7:15-20, 2 Corinthians 3:14, 2 Corinthians 4:4, Galatians 1:6-10, Ephesians 2:2, 1 Timothy 1:3-11, 2 Peter 2:1-3).

Letting your feelings overtake you with a feeling of comfort or of a so-called spiritual feeling in anyone of these false religions, false beliefs, man-made temples, mandir, monastery, chapels, churches, sanctuaries, synagogues, and mosques will be you letting your own feelings lead you astray.

There is only but one way that will lead you to heaven with an eternal life of peace and that one way is through our Lord Christ Jesus (John 8:12, John 11:25-26, John 14:6, Romans 12:1-4 NASB, Ephesians 2:8-10) and this way can only be found with the written inspired word of God in the gospel of Gods' beloved Son.

Only by hearing or reading the message of truth the gospel of salvation (Luke 24:47, Romans 1:16, Ephesians 1:13, Colossians 1:5, Colossians 1:27, 2 Timothy 1:8, 1 Peter 1:3-4), and believing the gospel of salvation from your heart (Mark 1:15, Mark 8:35, John 5:24, Acts 2:36-38, Acts 15:7, Acts 20:21, Romans 1:16, Romans 3:22, Romans 10:17 NASB, 1 John 5:10), and to repent of your sins (Psalms 7:12, Luke 13:1-5, Acts 2:38, Acts 5:31 NASB, Acts 11:18, Acts 17:30, Acts 20:21, 2 Peter 3:9 NASB), and confess in your belief that Jesus is the Christ the Son of the living God (Matthew 14:33, Matthew 16:16, Matthew 27:54, John 3:18, John 11:27, Acts 9:20, Romans 10:9-10, 1 John 4:15, 1 John 5:5, 1 John 5:13), and be baptized (fully immersed in water) for the forgiveness of your sins (Matthew28:18-20, Mark 16:16, John 3:1-7, Acts 2:38, Romans 6:1-6, 1 Corinthians 12:13, Galatians 3:27), and receive the gift of the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:38, Acts 26:18, Galatians 3:5, Galatians 5:5, Ephesians 4:4-7), and be faithful unto death is the only way to eternal life (Mathew28:18-20, Matthew 16:26, Luke 8:15, Luke 21:19, John 14:21-24, Acts 2:42, Acts 14:22, Romans 5:1-5, Romans 8:18-25, Romans 10:16, Romans 16:26, Colossians 1:23, Hebrews 10:35-39, Hebrews 11:6, Hebrews 12:1-17, James 1:3-4, James 5:10-11, 1 Peter 2:19-25, 1 Peter 3:14-17, 1 Peter 4:12-19, Jude 1:17-25, Revelation 2:10, Revelation 3:10-13).

These are the truths given us from Gods' inspired word.

Hebrews 1:1-13

1 Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, 2 but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. 3 He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, 4 having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. 5 For to which of the angels did God ever say, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"? Or again, "I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son"? 6 And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says, "Let all God's angels worship him." 7 Of the angels he says, "He makes his angels winds, and his ministers a flame of fire." 8 But of the Son he says, "Your throne, O God, is forever and ever, the scepter of uprightness is the scepter of your kingdom. 9 You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness; therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness beyond your companions."

10 And, "You, Lord, laid the foundation of the earth in the beginning, and the heavens are the work of your hands; 11 they will perish, but you remain; they will all wear out like a garment, 12 like a robe you will roll them up, like a garment they will be changed. But you are the same, and your years will have no end." 13 And to which of the angels has he ever said, "Sit at my right hand until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet"?

Isaiah 1:18-20

8 "Come now, let us reason together, says the LORD: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool. 19 If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land; 20 but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be eaten by the sword; for the mouth of the LORD has spoken."

Matthew 7:13-14

13 "Enter by the narrow gate. For the gate is wide and the way is easy that leads to destruction, and those who enter by it are many. 14 For the gate is narrow and the way is hard that leads to life, and those who find it are few.

Matthew 7:21

21 "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven.

Matthew 12:50

50 For whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother."

Matthew 17:1-8

1 And after six days Jesus took with him Peter and James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. 2 And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light. 3 And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. 4 And Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." 5 He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." 6When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were terrified. 7 But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and have no fear." 8 And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only.

Luke 9:23-27

23 And he said to all, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. 24 For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will save it. 25 For what does it profit a man if he gains the whole world and loses or forfeits himself? 26 For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words, of him will the Son of Man be ashamed when he comes in his glory and the glory of the Father and of the holy angels. 27 But I tell you truly, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the kingdom of God."

Acts 2:38

38 And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Acts 2:42

42 And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Acts 20:7

7 On the first day of the week, when we were gathered together to break bread, Paul began talking to them, intending to leave the next day, and he prolonged his message until midnight.

Romans 3:23

23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

Romans 6:23

23 For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Ephesians 4:1-16

1 I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, 2 with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, 3 eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. 4 There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call— 5 one Lord, one faith, one baptism, 6 one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. 7 But grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Christ's gift. 8 Therefore it says, "When he ascended on high he led a host of captives, and he gave gifts to men." 9 (In saying, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower regions, the earth? 10 He who descended is the one who also ascended far above all the heavens, that he might fill all things.) 11 And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, 12 to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, 13 until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, 14 so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes. 15 Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, 16 from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.

Hebrews 10:25

25 not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

Hebrews 10:35-39

35 Therefore do not throw away your confidence, which has a great reward. 36 For you have need of endurance, so that when you have done the will of God you may receive what is promised. 37 For, "Yet a little while, and the coming one will come and will not delay; 38 but my righteous one shall live by faith, and if he shrinks back, my soul has no pleasure in him." 39 But we are not of those who shrink back and are destroyed, but of those who have faith and preserve their souls.

2 Peter 1:2-15

2 May grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord. 3 His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence, 4 by which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire. 5 For this very reason, make every effort to supplement your faith with virtue, and virtue with knowledge, 6 and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with steadfastness, and steadfastness with godliness, 7 and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love. 8 For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 For whoever lacks these qualities is so nearsighted that he is blind, having forgotten that he was cleansed from his former sins.10 Therefore, brothers, be all the more diligent to confirm your calling and election, for if you practice these qualities you will never fall. 11 For in this way there will be richly provided for you an entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. 12 Therefore I intend always to remind you of these qualities, though you know them and are established in the truth that you have. 13 I think it right, as long as I am in this body, to stir you up by way of reminder, 14 since I know that the putting off of my body will be soon, as our Lord Jesus Christ made clear to me. 15 And I will make every effort so that after my departure you may be able at any time to recall these things.

1 John 1:1-2:6

1 That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—

2 the life was made manifest, and we have seen it, and testify to it and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was made manifest to us—3 that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. 4 And we are writing these things so that our joy may be complete. 5 This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. 6 If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. 7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. 8 If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 10 If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

2:1 My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. 2 He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. 3 And by this we know that we have come to know him, if we keep his commandments. 4 Whoever says "I know him" but does not keep his commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him, 5 but whoever keeps his word, in him truly the love of God is perfected. By this we may know that we are in him: 6 whoever says he abides in him ought to walk in the same way in which he walked.

Revelation 2:10

10 Do not fear what you are about to suffer. Behold, the devil is about to throw some of you into prison, that you may be tested, and for ten days you will have tribulation. Be faithful unto death, and I will give you the crown of life.

Conclusion

Only by following the message of truth the gospel of our salvation will anyone be able to begin on their path of eternal life.

- Hear or Read the Gospel
- Believe in the Gospel
- Repent of Your Sins
- Confess in your belief that Jesus is the Christ the Son of the living God
- Be Baptized (Fully immersed in water) in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ or the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit
- Be faithful unto death

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