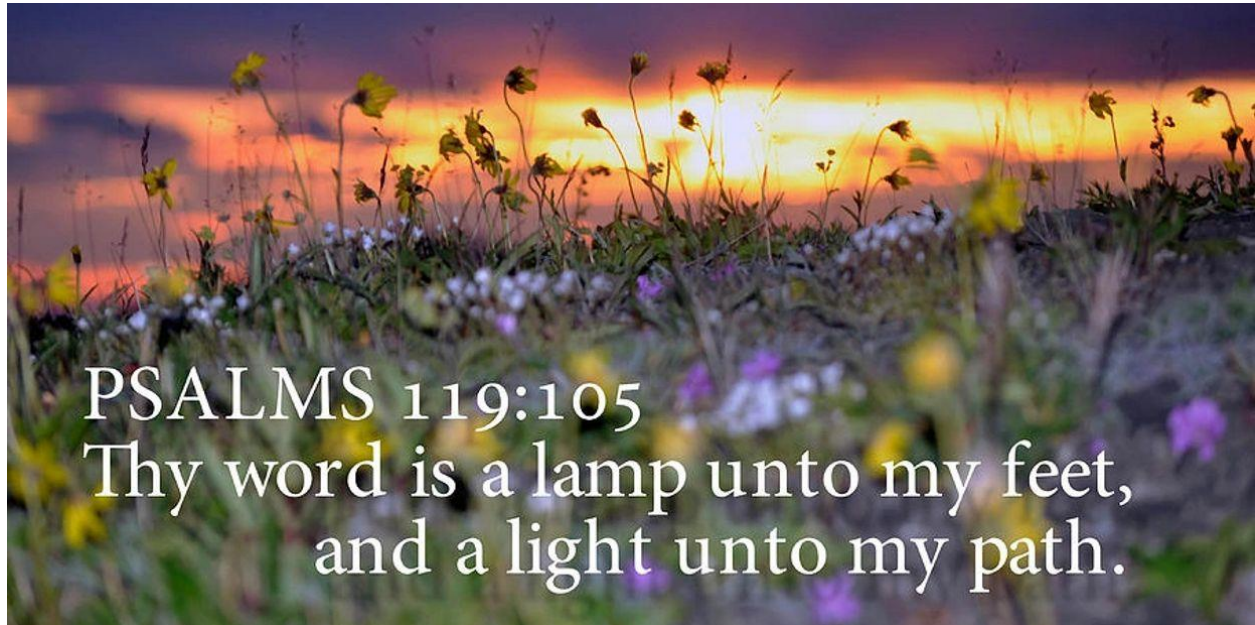


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False Teachings

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The Sinners Prayer?

This false teaching that **has corrupted the hearts and minds of men, women and children** known as the “the sinners’ prayer” or “prayer of salvation” comes from **man-made doctrine** that **has been taken from scriptural verses and passages out of context.**

The Holy Bible in the Old Testament or Old Covenant times the people did pray to God for the sins, and the sins of others as written through-out the Old Testament or Old Covenant, but these people were all part of the Old Testament or Old Covenant laws, statues, and ordinances.

In the scriptural reference of [Luke 18:9-14](#), our Lord Jesus was teaching the people about being humble and looking to God and not praising themselves as being righteous and not treating others with contempt.

In the scriptural reference in [Luke 23:39-43](#), when our Lord Jesus Christ told one of the two criminal’s that were being put to death with Him, that he would be with Him that day in paradise because of the repentance and respect that the one criminal showed towards God and Jesus.

When our Lord Jesus Christ had told some that their sins were forgiven or that salvation has come to their house as in ([Matthew 9:2](#), [Luke 7:47](#), [Luke 19:9](#)) represents not only the faith that they had in God but also their belief in the word of God.

In [Luke 18:13-14](#), the tax collector was declared freed from his sins by being justified by his words and actions of humility, repentance, and reverence for God.

In all these circumstances all these people were living under the Old Covenant or Old Testament laws and not the New Covenant or New Testament that we live under.

As the Scriptures have spoken to us that our Lord Christ Jesus was given to him ([Matthew 9:5-8](#), [Matthew 11:27](#), [Matthew 12:6-8](#), [Matthew 12:42](#), [Matthew 28:18](#), [John 3:35](#), [John 17:2](#), [Acts 2:36](#), [Romans 14:9](#), [1 Corinthians 15:27](#), [Philippians 2:1-11](#)) all authority in heaven and on earth and under earth. He is God with us ([Isaiah 8:8-10](#), [Matthew 1:21-23](#), [John 1:1-2](#), [Hebrews 1:8-9](#)).

When a sinner who has read or heard the gospel ([Matthew 9:35](#), [Romans 10:14-17](#)), believes in the gospel ([Mark 1:15](#)), repents of their sins ([Mark 1:15](#), [Luke 13:5](#), [Luke 24:47](#)), confesses that Jesus is the Christ the Son of the living God ([Matthew 10:32-33](#), [1 John 5:13](#)) and is baptized will be forgiven of their sins and receive the gift of the Holy Spirit ([Acts 2:38](#)), an appeal to God for a good conscience ([1 Peter 3:21](#)), you will have peace with God ([Acts 10:36](#), [Romans 5:1](#)), and you will begin your walk in a newness of life ([Romans 6:3-7](#), [2 Corinthians 5:17](#), [Ephesians 4:17-27](#), [Colossians 3:1-17](#)), and God will guard your hearts and minds in our Lord Christ Jesus ([Philippians 4:1-7](#)). As you begin your new walk of life you need to be obedient to the faith ([Matthew 6:24](#), [John 8:34-36](#), [Romans 6:16-17](#), [Romans 6:20-23](#), [Titus 3:1](#)), being faithful unto death ([Revelation 2:10](#)), enduring, persevering, hopeful and rejoicingful ([Romans 5:1-5](#)).

In the book of [Isaiah chapter 59 verse 1 and 2](#), the prophet Isaiah tells the Israel of old that their sins have separated them from God and that God no longer hears their prayers.

In [John chapter 14 verse 6](#), Our Lord Jesus tells us that He is the way, the truth and the life and no comes to the Father except through Him.

The only way to be heard by the Father is through His Son our Lord Christ Jesus ([John 14:6](#), [1 Timothy 2:5](#)), and the only way to be through His Son our Lord Christ Jesus is to be “In Christ” (the body, the church) the only way to be “In Christ” is to be born again ([John 3:1-7](#)). The only way to be born again into Christ is through faith ([Galatians 3:26-27](#)), repentance of our sins, confession of Jesus is the Christ the Son of the living God, and through baptism ([Acts 2:38](#)).

The son of God, Christ Jesus our Lord is the only way for salvation ([Acts 4:10-12](#)). Our Lord is the new covenant with much better promises and spiritual blessings and a life of eternity with God in the new heavens and new earth ([Romans 15:8-10](#), [1 Corinthians 11:25](#), [2 Corinthians 1:20-22](#), [Ephesians 1:3-14](#), [Hebrews 8:6-7](#), [2 Peter 1:3-4](#), [2 Peter 3:8-13](#))

These are but just some of the scriptural verses and passages that have been used and taken out of context to support this false teaching of the “the sinners prayer” or “prayer of salvation” ([Luke 18:10-14](#), [Acts 2:21](#), [Acts 16:31](#), [Romans 10:9-13 NASB](#) and [Revelation 3:20](#)).

In [Luke 18:9-14](#), the tax collector was repentant of his sins, humbled himself in prayer showing reverence to God and because of this he was justified. The Pharisee on the other hand exalted himself and will be humbled.

In [Acts 2:21](#), the context of this **scriptural reference has been distorted**, the words And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord will be saved’ means to repent of your sins, confess Jesus is the Christ the Son of the living God and to be baptized “in the name of the Jesus Christ” or “in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit ([Matthew 28:18-20](#), [Acts 2:38](#), [Acts 22:16](#), [Romans 6:3-11](#), [1 Corinthians 6:9-11](#), [Galatians 3:25-29](#)).

In [Acts 16:31](#), the context of this scriptural reference **also has been taken out of context and distorted** by teaching that by “faith only” you can be saved. The Christian **faith requires obedience** with our faith **by works or deeds done in faith** ([John 3:21](#), [Acts 6:7](#), [Romans 6:17-18](#), [Romans 15:18](#), [Romans 16:26](#), [Galatians 5:22-23](#), [Galatians 6:8](#), [Ephesians 2:10](#), [Philippians 2:1-16](#), [Colossians 1:10](#), [Titus 3:1](#), [James 2:14-25](#), [1 Peter 1:2](#), [1 Peter 1:14](#), [1 Peter 1:22](#), [Revelation 3:1-6](#)).

In [Romans 10:9-13 NASB](#), this scriptural passage that also **has been taken out of context and distorted and corrupted** by false teaching that by stating that **faith only saves you** is also their use of [Acts 2:21](#), their use of For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord you will be saved.” means the same as to repent of your sins, confess Jesus is the Christ the Son of the living God and to be baptized “in the name of the Jesus Christ” or “in the name of the Father, the Son

and the Holy Spirit ([Matthew 28:18-20](#), [Acts 2:38](#), [Acts 22:16](#), [Romans 6:3-11](#), [1 Corinthians 6:9-11](#), [Galatians 3:25-29](#))..

The scriptural passage of ([Romans 10:9-13 NASB](#)) should have included ([Romans 10:1-21 NASB](#)), which included that **faith comes from hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ.**

Now that you believe you need to repent of your sins, and confess Jesus is the Christ the Son of the living God, be baptized ([Acts 2:38](#)), and then you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit and become an adopted son or daughter of God ([Galatians 4:4-7](#)), and have an appeal to God for a good conscience ([1 Peter 3:21](#)), and you will begin your walk in newness of life ([Romans 6:3-11](#)). You need to be obedient to the faith ([Matthew 6:24](#), [John 8:34-36](#), [Romans 6:16-17](#), [Romans 6:20-23](#), [Titus 3:1](#)) being faithful unto death ([Revelation 2:10](#)), and enduring, persevering, hopeful, and rejoicingful ([Romans 5:1-5](#)) leading to an eternal life with God.

In this single scriptural verse ([Revelation 3:20](#)) the teaching **has been taken completely out of context**; the false teachers **have distorted and corrupted the inspired word of God with this distortion of the truth** given us others saying that “Jesus is knocking at the door of all sinners for them to answer the door by praying to Jesus and asking for forgiveness of their sins and to have Jesus come into their heart and save them.”

The context for this passage is revealed in [Revelation 3:14-20](#), the Apostle John is revealing that the Lord is letting the Christian’s in the body (the Church) in Christ at Laodicea that they are being disciplined and they are to be zealous and repent of their sins, to cleanse themselves from defilement and need to be zealous for good works and to strengthen their faith. The ones that heed His message will be the ones that will be saved. This message is also for all Christians that they need to be zealous for good works and to repent of your sins to be cleansed of any defilement, and to strengthen their faith.

Conclusion

The "the sinners' prayer" or "prayer of salvation" sadly to say is not the truth and this is a ungodly thing to teach others young or old. These prayers will not save you from your sins and it is not a part of the plan of salvation in the word of God and you will die in your sins if you do not obey the truth.

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Are we Born with Sin?

This false teaching and false belief that people are "Born with Sin" has been spread from generation to generation by **false teachers and blind guides both men and women** that are either unaware of the truth or aware of the truth and suppressing the truth doing this for deceitful gain, and **worldly and ungodly desires**. This false belief of being born with sin is just but **one of the many false teachings** that are part of many of these **false teachings in man-made religions** that are being taught and spread to take from you and everyone else that listens to them.

This false teaching is strongly associated to being born with inherited sin comes from the writings of the so-called "church fathers" in the post-apostolic era. Such men as Tertullian (160-220) and Cyprian (200-258) first formulated the doctrine and it was later popularized by Augustine (354-430) and John Calvin (1509–1564). The basis of his belief is from the Bible ([Genesis 3:17-19](#)) where Adam is described as having disobeyed God by eating the forbidden fruit of the tree of knowledge in the Garden of Eden. This, the first sin of man, became known as the original sin.

These false beliefs that have been and still are being taught from **men and women that have distorted and corrupted the word of God**.

In [Genesis 3:16-19](#) addresses the punishment that we have all received because of the sins that Adam and Eve committed when they disobeyed the commandment of God. When Adam and Eve disobeyed God they brought about physical death for all mankind, the pain of childbearing for women would be multiplied and yet the wife would desire and be ruled by her husband. God cursed the ground because of what they had done, and life became hard, and they were told to leave the garden of Eden separated from the presence of God and had lost the paradise that God had created for them.

These **false teachers and blind guides have caused so many men, women, and children to be condemned** as they have passed from this life into the next life not knowing the truth and receiving salvation. Today still men, women, and children are still being led down these same false teachings and false beliefs while some give up to suicide either by self or assisted suicide, some stop believing or in seeking God, some becoming atheists, some seek God through other man-made religions, some seek what is known as being spiritual or regenerated, and some follow the false teachers and blind guides completely believing they are saved, and they are not. **All**

these people, men, women, and children that have become of age and sinned have and **will pass away without receiving God's salvation.**

These **false teachers and blind guides** have led many to **believe these false beliefs** that surround either praying to the mother of Jesus, praying to the Apostles of our Lord Jesus, praying to men called saints, praying to false gods, praying to the dead, praying for the dead, praying to statues, praying to objects, praying rituals, etc....

A question that has been asked over and over by many "**are we born with sin**" and the answer is "**No**" and we need to spread that truth with the truth.

In [Romans 5:12](#) Apostle Paul teaches us that "Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned"

This verse tells us that the death, the consequence of sin, spread to all men not because of Adams sin, because all men have sinned. Cited "[Are Children Born with Sin](#)" Apologetics Press

A **child is born with "No" sin** and this is found written within both the Old and New Covenants or Testaments in ([Deuteronomy 24:16](#), [1 Kings 8:32](#), [2 Kings 14:6](#), [2 Chronicles 25:4](#), [Psalms 51:5](#), [Ezekiel 18:4](#), [Ezekiel 18:20](#), [Ezekiel 28:15](#), [Matthew 18:1-3](#), [John 3:3-4](#), [Romans 7:8-11](#), [Romans 9:10-12](#)).

These next three scriptural passages speak about the truth about the third and fourth generations that hated God and the punishment that came about from their wickedness and every intention of the thoughts of man was continually evil. These scriptural passages have been used to support that sin is inherited.

These scriptural passages **do not support that the sin of the father will be passed down to his children**, it states that the wickedness of man has brought about the destruction of mankind. The wickedness and evil intentions have caused God to grieve over His creation. If it wasn't for Noah finding favor in God's eyes there would be no mankind, animals, birds and creeping things.

[Genesis 6:5-8](#)

5 The Lord saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intention of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. 6 And the Lord regretted that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him to his heart. 7 So the Lord said, "I will blot out man whom I have created from the face of the land, man and animals and creeping things and birds of the heavens, for I am sorry that I have made them." 8 But Noah found favor in the eyes of the Lord.

[Exodus 20:5-6](#)

5 You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me,

6 but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

[Deuteronomy 5:6-10](#)

6 “I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. 7 ““You shall have no other gods before me. 8 ““You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. 9 You shall not bow down to them or serve them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, 10 but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

These next scriptural verses tell us that the sins of the father will not be inherited to or held against his children and the sins of the children will not be held against the father.

[Deuteronomy 24:16](#)

16 “Fathers shall not be put to death because of their children, nor shall children be put to death because of their fathers. Each one shall be put to death for his own sin.

[1 Kings 8:32](#)

32 then hear in heaven and act and judge your servants, condemning the guilty by bringing his conduct on his own head, and vindicating the righteous by rewarding him according to his righteousness.

[2 Kings 14:6](#)

6 But he did not put to death the children of the murderers, according to what is written in the Book of the Law of Moses, where the LORD commanded, “Fathers shall not be put to death because of their children, nor shall children be put to death because of their fathers. But each one shall die for his own sin.”

[2 Chronicles 25:4](#)

4 But he did not put their children to death, according to what is written in the Law, in the Book of Moses, where the LORD commanded, “Fathers shall not die because of their children, nor children die because of their fathers, but each one shall die for his own sin.”

[Ezekiel 18:4](#)

4 Behold, all souls are mine; the soul of the father as well as the soul of the son is mine: the soul who sins shall die.

[Ezekiel 18:20](#)

20 The soul who sins shall die. The son shall not suffer for the iniquity of the father, nor the father suffer for the iniquity of the son. The righteousness of the righteous shall be upon himself, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon himself.

[Ezekiel 28:15](#)

15 You were blameless in your ways from the day you were created, till unrighteousness was found in you.

This next scriptural passage tells us that those who obey God will receive wonderful blessings. God will show His steadfast love for mankind that obeys His word. God will also bless the fruit of the womb which represents children.

In this passage God speaks of the blessings that He pours on the people that obey His word.

[Deuteronomy 28:1-6](#)

1 “And if you faithfully obey the voice of the Lord your God, being careful to do all his commandments that I command you today, the Lord your God will set you high above all the nations of the earth. 2 And all these blessings shall come upon you and overtake you, if you obey the voice of the Lord your God. 3 Blessed shall you be in the city, and blessed shall you be in the field. 4 Blessed shall be the fruit of your womb and the fruit of your ground and the fruit of your cattle, the increase of your herds and the young of your flock. 5 Blessed shall be your basket and your kneading bowl. 6 Blessed shall you be when you come in, and blessed shall you be when you go out.

This next scriptural verse needs to be addressed to take away the false teachings that surround the context what King David stated.

[Psalms 51:5](#)

5 Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity; And in sin my mother conceived me.

The first part of this scriptural verse "**Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity**" tells us truth that King David was born not with sin but into a sinful world.

The second part of the scriptural verse. "**In sin my mother conceived me**" reveals that his mother like all people were and are sinners as stated in this next scriptural verse.

[Romans 3:23](#)

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

These next scriptural references compare the innocence of children to the greatest in the kingdom of heaven and being born again to even see the kingdom of heaven. The comparison of being converted like a child or being born again to see or enter the kingdom of heaven compares innocence to a child's life. The word innocence is defined as free from moral wrong, not corrupted.

[Matthew 18:1-3](#)

1 At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, “Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?” 2 And calling to him a child, he put him in the midst of them 3 and said, “Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

[John 3:3-4](#)

3 Jesus answered 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? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?”

This next scriptural passage tells us that children are a blessing and a gift from God, and like the arrow in a hand of the warrior are the children of one's youth, blessed is the man who fills his quiver with them.

[Psalms 127:3-5](#)

3 Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb a reward. 4 Like arrows in the hand of a warrior are the children of one's youth. 5 Blessed is the man who fills his quiver with them! He shall not be put to shame when he speaks with his enemies in the gate.

These next scriptural verses testify again to the truth that children do not inherit the sins of the father and children are not born with sin.

[Ezekiel 18:20](#)

20 The soul who sins shall die. The son shall not suffer for the iniquity of the father, nor the father suffer for the iniquity of the son. The righteousness of the righteous shall be upon himself, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon himself.

[Ezekiel 28:15](#)

15 You were blameless in your ways from the day you were created, till unrighteousness was found in you.

[Romans 9:10-12](#)

10 And not only so, but also when Rebekah had conceived children by one man, our forefather Isaac, 11 though they were not yet born and had done nothing either good or bad—in order that God's purpose of election might continue, not because of works but because of him who calls— 12 she was told, “The older will serve the younger.”

This next scriptural passage the Apostle Paul tells us there was a time when he was without sin.

[Romans 7:8-11](#)

8 But sin, seizing an opportunity through the commandment, produced in me all kinds of covetousness. For apart from the law, sin lies dead. 9 I was once alive apart from the law, but when the commandment came, sin came alive and I died.

10 The very commandment that promised life proved to be death to me. 11 For sin, seizing an opportunity through the commandment, deceived me and through it killed me.

The way to raise a child has been given us in the inspired word of God, these are but just a few of the scriptural references that address this ([Deuteronomy 4:9](#), [Proverbs 4:1-4](#), [Proverbs 19:18](#), [Proverbs 22:6](#), [Proverbs 29:15-17](#), [Ephesians 6:4](#), [2 Timothy 1:5](#), [2 Timothy 3:15](#), [Titus 2:1-6](#), [Hebrews 12:7-10](#)).

All these **false teachings cause these children that are growing up and need guidance and support being led down a path of eternal fire and torment in hell** if they are not taught the truth and treated with compassion and care.

These scriptural references speak of the day and tells us how we should look at our time here. ([Proverbs 27:1](#), [Matthew 6:34](#), [Luke 10:38-42](#), [Luke 12:16-21](#), [Ephesians 5:15-16](#), [Philippians 4:6](#), [James 4:13-17](#), [1 Peter 5:8](#)). Our Lord Christ Jesus is the way, the truth and the life ([John 14:6](#)) and the way of salvation ([Romans 10:17](#)).

Conclusion

With hope this has shed the light on the darkness of anything associated to a child that is "born with sin" or a "child that inherits sin from their father or mother. In the Holy Bible a child is born without sin and remains that way until they sin. Let us help all people with the truth on how to find salvation.

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Death, Hades, Tartarus, Hell, Purgatory & Paradise

[Revelation 1:17-18](#)

17 When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand on me, saying, "Fear not, I am the first and the last, 18 and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades.

This will hopefully shed the light of our marvelous Lord Christ Jesus on these false teachings and false beliefs associated to Hades, Tartarus, Hell, and Purgatory.

Strong's Concordance

thanatos: death

Strong's number: [G2288](#)

Original Word: θάνατος, ου, ό

Part of Speech: Noun, Masculine

Transliteration: thanatos

Phonetic Spelling: (than'-at-os)

Definition: death

Usage: death, physical or spiritual.

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[2288](#) thánatos (derived from [2348](#) /thnḗskō, "to die") – physical or spiritual death; (figuratively) separation from the life (salvation) of God forever by dying without first experiencing death to self to receive His gift of salvation.

Strong's Bible Concordance

hadés: Hades, the abode of departed spirits

Strong's number: [G86](#)

Original Word: ᾅδης

Part of Speech: Noun, Masculine

Transliteration: hadēs

Phonetic Spelling: (hah'-dace)

Defined as: Hades, the abode of departed spirits

Usage: Hades, the unseen world.

HELPS Word-studies

86 hádēs (from 1 /A "not" and idein/eidō, "see") – properly, the "unseen place," referring to the (invisible) realm in which all the dead reside, i.e. the present dwelling place of all the departed (deceased); Hades. [Luke 16:23](#), [Revelation 20:13-14](#);

Strong's Concordance

tartaróō: to cast into hell

Strong's number: [G5020](#)

Original Word: ταρταρόω

Part of Speech: Verb

Transliteration: tartaróō

Phonetic Spelling: (tar-tar-o'-o)

Definition: to cast into hell

Usage: I thrust down to Tartarus or Gehenna.

HELPS Word-studies

5020 *tartaróō* – properly, send to *Tartarus* ("*Tartaros*"). The NT uses [5020](#) (*tartaróō*) for the *netherworld* – the place of *punishment fit only for demons*. Later, *Tartaros* came to represent *eternal punishment for wicked people*.

"[5020](#) (*tartaróō*) is a Greek name for the *under-world*, especially the abode of the *damned* – hence *to cast into hell*" (A-S); to send into the *subterranean abyss* reserved for *demons and the dead*.

[In Greek mythology, Tartarus was a "place of punishment under the earth, to which, for example, the Titans were sent" (Souter).]

Strong's Concordance

geenna: Gehenna, a valley W. and South of Jer., also a symbolic name for the final place of punishment of the ungodly

Strong's number: [G1067](#)

Original Word: γέεννα, ης, ἡ

Part of Speech: Noun, Feminine

Transliteration: geenna

Phonetic Spelling: (gheh'-en-nah)

Definition: Gehenna, a valley west and South of Jerusalem, also a symbolic name for the final place of punishment of the ungodly

Usage: Gehenna, and originally the name of a valley or cavity near Jerusalem, a place underneath the earth, a place of punishment for evil.

HELPS Word-studies

1067 *géenna* (a transliteration of the Hebrew term, *Gêhinnōm*, "the valley of Hinnom") – *Gehenna*, i.e. *hell* (also referred to as the "lake of fire" in *Revelation*).

Gehenna ("hell"), the place of *post-resurrection* torment (judgment), refers strictly to the everlasting abode of the *unredeemed* where they experience divine judgment *in their individual*

resurrection-bodies. Each of the unredeemed receives one at the Great White Throne Judgment ([Rev 20:11-15](#)), i.e. a body that "matches" their capacity for torment relating to their (unique) judgment.

A **man-made religion “Catholicism”** originated from **distorting and corrupting the inspired word of God**, all the aspects of life from before birth till death and of faith with God the Father, our Lord Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit. This man-made belief and teaching of a place called **“Purgatory”** known within their belief has no truth to it. Their document that supports this false belief and teaching is [“CCC 1030–1”](#)

Section [“1030”](#) states: “All who die in God’s grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven.

Section [“1031”](#) states: The Church gives the name Purgatory to this final purification of the elect, which is entirely different from the punishment of the damned. The Church formulated her doctrine of faith on Purgatory especially at the Councils of Florence and Trent. the tradition of the Church, by reference to certain texts of Scripture, speaks of a cleansing fire:

A **distorted and corrupted belief** that does not even consider the truth and the final day of judgement of the ungodly ([2 Peter 3:3-7](#))

The Catholic church states the concept of an after-death purification from sin and the consequences of sin is stated in these New Testament passages [Matthew 5:25–26](#), [Matthew 12:31–32](#) and [1 Corinthians 3:11–15](#).

[Matthew 5:21-26](#)

21 “You have heard that it was said to those of old, ‘You shall not murder; and whoever murders will be liable to judgment.’ 22 But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment; whoever insults his brother will be liable to the council; and whoever says, ‘You fool!’ will be liable to the hell of fire. 23 So if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, 24 leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift. 25 Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are going with him to court, lest your accuser hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you be put in prison. 26 Truly, I say to you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

Our Lord Christ Jesus is telling us that we need to reconcile quickly with our brother or sister in the body or physical family first before being judged for it and being angry or hating your brother or sister is like killing them in your heart and walking in darkness ([John 12:35](#), [1 John 2:9-11](#), [1 John 3:15](#), [1 John 4:20-21](#)). Their use of the scriptural references **has been and still is being taken out of context and distorted by the Catholic church.**

The Catholic church also states, as for certain lesser faults, we must believe that before the final judgment there is a purifying fire. He who is truth says that whoever utters blasphemy against the Holy Spirit will be pardoned neither in this age nor in the age to come.

From this false teaching their false belief that certain offenses can be forgiven in this age, but certain **other offenses can be forgiven in the age to come** which is nothing but a **distortion and corruption of the truth** as they continue to spread these lies in their **man-made religious doctrine**.

The truth from the Holy Bible the inspired word of God is referenced in these next scriptural references:

[Matthew 12:31-37](#)

31 Therefore I tell you, every sin and blasphemy will be forgiven people, but the blasphemy against the Spirit will not be forgiven. 32 And whoever speaks a word against the Son of Man will be forgiven, but whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven, either in this age or in the age to come. 33 “Either make the tree good and its fruit good, or make the tree bad and its fruit bad, for the tree is known by its fruit. 34 You brood of vipers! How can you speak good, when you are evil? For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks. 35 The good person out of his good treasure brings forth good, and the evil person out of his evil treasure brings forth evil. 36 I tell you, on the day of judgment people will give account for every careless word they speak, 37 for by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned.”

In [Matthew 12:31-32](#) our Lord Christ Jesus is telling us that every sin and blasphemy can be forgiven except the blasphemy against the Holy Spirit, and if you are not forgiven in this life for blasphemy against the Holy Spirit you will not be forgiven in the next age (the eternal one) to come.

In [Matthew 12:33-37](#) our Lord Christ Jesus is telling us that everyone who’s heart is good out of their mouth will be good and by their fruit will be known, and everyone who’s heart is bad out of their mouth will be evil and by their fruit they will be known. Each person will be known by their fruit. On the day of judgement everyone will give an account every careless word they spoke, by your heart produces your words and by your words you will be justified or condemned.

An in-depth explanation of the eternal sin of the Holy Spirit can best be explained as that the Pharisees knew that Lord Jesus was righteous and contrary to this, they said “he has an unclean spirit” they put falsehood for truth, darkness for light, evil for righteousness and closed their eyes and heart to the Lord. Their blasphemy was of a kind that blotted out the hope of heaven, and there can be little doubt that the same type of blind, senseless opposition to the Lord today would have the very same consequences. Cited from [Coffman’s commentaries on the Bible Matthew 12 verses 31-32](#).

The Catholic church also states in section [1032](#): This teaching is also based on the practice of prayer for the dead, already mentioned in Sacred Scripture: “Therefore Judas Maccabeus] made atonement for the dead, that they might be delivered from their sin.” From the beginning the Church has honored the memory of the dead and offered prayers in suffrage for them, above all the Eucharistic sacrifice, so that, thus purified, they may attain the beatific vision of God. The Church also commends almsgiving, indulgences, and works of penance undertaken on behalf of the dead:

“Let us help and commemorate them”. If Job’s sons were purified by their father’s sacrifice, why would we doubt that our offerings for the dead bring them some consolation? Let us not hesitate to help those who have died and to offer our prayers for them.”

The Catholic churches scriptural reference to [Job 1:4-5](#) where Job's desire to offer burnt offerings for his sons and daughters in case they had sinned and cursed God in their hearts, the children were alive and not dead being prayed for as the catholic religion would have you to believe. This scriptural passage talks about nothing to do with "praying for the dead."

The Catholic churches scriptural reference to [1 Corinthians 3:11-15](#) is about the work a person does through preaching and teaching the word of our Lord Christ Jesus to others. This represents and how the person sows and waters the seeds of the Gospel. If the seeds are received by the hearers, the day of judgement will tell of it and if the hearers do not receive the word because of the preaching or teaching because of any error the preachers or teachers work suffers, but he himself will still be saved.

[1 Corinthians 3:11-15](#)

11 For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. 12 Now if anyone builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw—13 each one's work will become manifest, for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed by fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each one has done. 14 If the work that anyone has built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward. 15 If anyone's work is burned up, he will suffer loss, though he himself will be saved, but only as through fire.

The place "Purgatory" by many false religions defines it as a state of suffering by the souls of sinner's who are cleansing their sins before going to heaven. They also teach that prayers for them and to them along with visiting their loved one’s graves will help them get to heaven. Which is of course not only **false teachings, false beliefs and from false religions.**

Our Lord Jesus spoke of the rich man and Lazarus in [Luke 16:19-31 NASB](#) when a person dies they body goes to the grave and there spirit into the Haden realm as we find written in [Luke 16:22-23 NASB](#), The soul that is righteous will be carried away by angels to Abraham’s bosom ([Luke 16:22 NASB](#)) or Paradise ([Luke 23:43](#), [2 Corinthians 12:3](#), [Revelation 2:7](#)) a place of comfort, and the soul that is unrighteous is placed in torment and agony ([Luke 16:25 NASB](#),

[2 Peter 2:9 NASB](#), [Jude 1:6 NASB](#)) where the unrighteous cannot cross into the a place of comfort and where the righteous cannot cross into the place of torment ([Luke 16:26 NASB](#)) both the souls of the righteous and souls of the unrighteous will remain until the day of judgement when we are judged by our words and deeds ([Luke 6:37](#), [Revelation 20:11-12](#)).

What kind of person who is aware of the truth the inspired word of God and still preach and teach false hope in the hearts and minds of men, women, and children?

There is **no prayer or prayers that can help anyone after they have passed away** as many **false religions believe** and are **falsely teaching** others to believe ([Psalms 49:14](#), [Psalms 50:22-23](#), [Luke 16:19-30](#), [John 3:1-7](#), [John 3:36](#), [1 Corinthians 6:9-11](#), [Hebrews 12:14-17](#), [James 1:14-15](#)).

These scriptural verses and passages define “hades i.e., Tartarus or Hell” as a world or place of punishment and without hope. It is not a place for purification or cleansing of your sins as false teachers and false religions teach ([Matthew 11:22-24](#), [Matthew 16:18 NASB](#), [Luke 10:13-15](#), [Luke 16:22-26](#), [Acts 2:25-28](#), [Acts 2:29-33](#), [Revelation 1:17-18](#), [Revelation 20:11-15](#)).

Conclusion

Seek the gift of salvation, do not trust man but trust in God and in His inspired word so that when the Lord returns in the clouds to bring the children of God home you will be joined with Him in the clouds in the air or when your soul passes from this life into the Haden realm your soul rests in comfort in the place called "Paradise" where you will wait until the day of judgement before you can go home to the new heavens and new earth. ([Luke 16:19-31](#), [Luke 23:42-43](#), [2 Corinthians 12:1-6](#), [1 Thessalonians 4:13-18](#), [2 Peter 3:13](#), [Revelation 2:7](#), [Revelation 21:1-4](#)).

Strong's Concordance

paradeisos: a park, a garden, a paradise

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Phonetic Spelling: (par-ad'-i-sos)

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The Rock, The Church and The Keys to the Kingdom?

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The scriptural passage [Matthew 16:15-20](#), is used to support a **man-made religion “the Roman Catholic Church” with false teachings and false beliefs** about our Lord and Christ Jesus when He was talking with His disciples about who the people and His disciples believed Him to be.

This passage **has been taken out of context, and distorted, and corrupted.** This false belief **affects the hearts, minds and souls of men, women, and children** that have placed their trust in these people that teach and preach these false beliefs. These people are blind guides to all that they teach and preach. **All these people, the teachers, preachers, and the blind** that follow them are headed on a **path to condemnation.**

The Holy Bible will provide the true light on this darkness.

[Matthew 16:15-20](#)

15 He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” 16 Simon Peter replied, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.”

17 And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. 18 And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. 19 I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.” 20 Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

The words are that our Lord Jesus Christ tells Simon Bar-Jonah that you are “Peter” establishes his name as Peter and “upon this rock I will build my church” establishes the foundation “on this rock” to build upon. The words “I will build my church” are future tense and that the church has not been established yet and the word church defined by the Greek meaning is the body of faithful baptized believers in Christ Jesus whom God calls out from the world and into His eternal kingdom.

[The English word "church" comes from the Greek word *kyriakos*, "belonging to the Lord" (*kyrios*). [1577](#) /*ekklēsia* ("church") is the root of the term's "ecclesiology" and "ecclesiastical."]

The church is the body of faithful baptized believers called out from this world that are the body in Christ.

Strong's Concordance

ekklēsia: an assembly, a (religious) congregation

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Phonetic Spelling: (ek-klay-see'-ah)

Definition: an assembly, a (religious) congregation

Usage: an assembly, congregation, church; the Church, the whole body of Christian believers.

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[1577](#) *ekklēsia* (from [1537](#) /*ek*, "out from and to" and [2564](#) /*kalēō*, "to call") – properly, people *called out from* the world and to God, the *outcome* being the *Church* (the mystical *body of Christ*) – i.e. the universal (total) body of believers whom God calls *out* from the world and *into* His eternal kingdom. [The *English* word "church" comes from the Greek word *kyriakos*, "belonging to the Lord" (*kyrios*). [1577](#) /*ekklēsia* ("church") is the root of the terms "ecclesiology" and "ecclesiastical."]

The church is the Lord's church, and He is the head of the body, and the body of the faithful baptized believers are the church. Our Lord Jesus Christ has been given all authority of the church, heaven and on earth. These truths are written in the Holy Bible.

These are but just a few of the scriptural references that state that Jesus our Lord and Christ has all authority; [Matthew 9:6 NASB](#), [Matthew 10:1 NASB](#), [Matthew 28:18-20 NASB](#), [Mark 1:27 NASB](#); [Mark 2:10 NASB](#); [John 10:18 NASB](#), [John 17.2 NASB](#); [Acts 11:26 NASB](#), [Acts 14:23 NASB](#); [Romans 7:4 NASB](#), [Romans 12:4-5 NASB](#), [Romans 16:16 NASB](#); [1 Corinthians 6:15 NASB](#), [1 Corinthians 6:19-20 NASB](#), [1 Corinthians 10:16-17 NASB](#), [1 Corinthians 11:24-25 NASB](#); [Ephesians 1:22-23 NASB](#), [Ephesians 2:17-19 NASB](#), [Ephesians 4:1-6 NASB](#); [Colossians 1:18 NASB](#), [Colossians 2:10 NASB](#), [Colossians 3:15 NASB](#); [1 Thessalonians 5:23 NASB](#).

The words that Jesus our Lord and Christ spoken are given to us to hear and are our foundation; [Psalms 118:22 NASB](#); [Isaiah 28:16 NASB](#); [Matthew 7:24-27 NASB](#), [Matthew 21:33-43 NASB](#); [Luke 6:46-49 NASB](#); [Romans 9:30-33 NASB](#); [1 Corinthians 3:11 NASB](#); [Ephesians 2:20 NASB](#); [1 Peter 2:3-10 NASB](#).

The difference in the Greek meanings of the words “Peter” and “Rock” are as follows; The word “Peter” as defined in the Strong’s Greek Concordance defines the Peter as a stone or boulder.

Strong’s Concordance

Petros: "a stone" or "a boulder," Peter, one of the twelve apostles

Strong’s Number: [G4074](#)

Original Word: Πέτρος, ου, ὁ

Part of Speech: Noun, Masculine

Transliteration: Petros

Phonetic Spelling: (pet'-ros)

Definition: "a stone" or "a boulder", Peter, one of the twelve apostles

Usage: Peter, a Greek name meaning rock.

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[4074](#) Pétros (a masculine noun) – properly, a stone (pebble), such as a small rock found along a pathway. [4074](#) /Pétros ("small stone") then stands in contrast to [4073](#) /pétra ("cliff, boulder," Abbott-Smith)

"[4074](#) (Pétros) is an isolated rock and [4073](#) (pétra) is a cliff" (TDNT, 3, 100). "[4074](#) (Pétros) always means a *stone* . . . such as a man may throw, . . . versus [4073](#) (pétra), a *projecting rock, cliff*" (S. Zodhiates, *Dict*).

The word “rock” as defined in the Strong’s Greek Concordance defines the rock as a large mass of rock.

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petra: a (large mass of) rock

Strong’s Number: [G4073](#)

Original Word: πέτρα, ας, ἡ

Part of Speech: Noun, Feminine

Transliteration: petra

Phonetic Spelling: (pet'-ra)

Definition: a (large mass of) rock

Usage: a rock, ledge, cliff, cave, stony ground.

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[4073](#) pétra (a feminine noun) – "a mass of connected rock," which is distinct from [4074](#) (Pétros) which is "a detached stone or boulder"

The words that Our Lord Jesus tell Simon Bar-Jonah that He will give the keys of the kingdom of heaven; and whatever he binds on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever he loosed on earth shall be loosed in heaven." The words "I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven" represent the ability for the door of the kingdom of heaven to be opened as Peter announced to the Jewish people on day of Pentecost and to the Gentiles first in Caesarea to a man named Cornelius.

The words that Our Lord and Christ Jesus spoke stating that He will give the keys of the kingdom of heaven; and whatever he binds on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever he loosed on earth shall be loosed in heaven." Was being directed to all the Apostles as it did also yet include the Apostle Paul, and the Lords brothers James and Jude.

The key or keys represent a figure of speech that are used in the manner by the one holding the key or keys that has been given the authority over what the key is capable of. Cited from ["Coffman's Commentaries on the Bible Matthew 16 verses 18-19"](#)

These scriptural "key" figurative references are also written in [Isaiah 22:22 NASB](#), [Luke 11:52 NASB](#), [Revelation 1:17-18 NASB](#), [Revelation 3:7 NASB](#), [Revelation 9:1 NASB](#), [Revelation 20:1-3 NASB](#).

Conclusion

This authority was given to all the Apostles and the Lord's brothers as they were guided by the Holy Spirit as written throughout the Holy Bible to teach the doctrine of salvation.

The truth about these false beliefs is that they are distorted and corrupted beliefs that are spread by these false teachers, false prophets, men, and women that are blindly guiding people.

The inspired word of God is the truth. We need to continue to shine the light of our Lord Jesus Christ onto the darkness to help all the ones that have been misled and are lost.

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Spirit of Adoption?

The false belief that surrounds salvation from being "born again" without being baptized (fully immersed in water) is another **false doctrine created by man-made religions** taking **scriptural verses and passages out of context and distorting and corrupting them.**

Our Lord stated in the scriptural passages of ([John 3:1-21](#)) our Lord tells us that unless we are born again of water and spirit, we cannot enter the kingdom of God. The Apostle Peter opens the door of the kingdom for those to enter by repentance, confession, and baptism ([Acts 2:32-42](#)).

Through our obedience ([Romans 1:1-6](#)) not only do we receive the gift of the Holy Spirit, we also are cleansed from our sins and forgiven ([Ephesians 4:32](#)), we have an appeal to God for a good conscience ([1 Peter 3:21](#)), and we begin a newness of life as children of God ([Romans 6:1-11](#), [Galatians 4:6](#)), we are to be obedient to the faith ([Matthew 6:24](#), [John 8:34-36](#), [Romans 6:16-17](#), [Romans 6:20-23](#), [Titus 3:1](#)), being faithful unto death ([Revelation 2:10](#)), enduring, persevering, hopeful and rejoicingful ([Romans 5:1-5](#)).

Our Lord tells us as written in ([John 3:16](#)) and that all who believe in the Son of God should not perish but have eternal life. We need to believe in the words of God and His Son so we can come into the light and do the good works that are in Christ Jesus that God prepared before hand that we should walk in them ([Ephesians 2:10](#)).

[Matthew 28:18-20](#)

18 And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

[Mark 16:14-16](#)

14 Afterward he appeared to the eleven themselves as they were reclining at table, and he rebuked them for their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they had not believed those who saw him after he had risen. 15 And he said to them, “Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation. 16 Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned.

[John 3:1-21](#)

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 are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him.” 3 Jesus answered 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? Can he enter a second time into his mother’s womb and be born?” 5 Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter 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 marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’ 8 The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” 9 Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” 10 Jesus answered him, “Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things? 11 Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen, but you do not receive our testimony. 12 If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? 13 No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. 14 And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, 15 that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. 16 “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. 17 For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. 18 Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. 19 And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil. 20 For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his works should be exposed. 21 But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his works have been carried out in God.”

[John 3:36](#)

36 Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life; whoever does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God remains on him.

[Acts 22:16](#)

16 And now why do you wait? Rise and be baptized and wash away your sins, calling on his name.'

[Romans 8:10-17](#)

10 But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. 11 If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you. 12 So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. 13 For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. 14 For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. 15 For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!" 16 The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, 17 and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

[Galatians 4:6](#)

6 And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!"

[1 Peter 3:21-22](#)

21 Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, 22 who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.

Conclusion

There are many false teachings in the world especially when the price is at the highest, your soul and the souls of others are worth more than anything in this world. Therefore, we trust in the inspired word of God and not man-made doctrine.

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Salvation by Faith or Belief only?

The false teaching known as “salvation by faith or belief only” is a **false belief that is distorted and corrupted**, it has been taught by mankind taking several **scriptural verses out of context** to create a **man-made doctrine** that offers **no forgiveness or salvation** only a **path to condemnation**.

This following scriptural references **have been taken out of context** and used to support this false doctrine. “To confess with mouth and believe in your heart you will be saved.” and “calling on the name of the Lord”.

These scriptural verses and passages were and still are being used to build a foundation of this **false doctrine** called “salvation by faith or belief only” ([Acts 2:21](#), [Romans 3:28](#), [Romans 5:1-2](#), [Romans 10:13](#), [Galatians 2:16](#), [Galatians 3:2](#), [Galatians 3:23-26](#), [Ephesians 2:8-9](#)).

The context of these **scriptural references have been distorted**, the words in ([Acts 2:21](#)) And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord will be saved’ and ([Romans 10:9](#)) because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved and ([Romans 10:13](#)) For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” means to repent of your sins, confess Jesus is the Christ the Son of the living God and to be baptized “in the name of the Jesus Christ” or “in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit ([Matthew 28:18-20](#), [Acts 2:38](#), [Acts 22:16](#), [Romans 6:3-11](#), [1 Corinthians 6:9-11](#), [Galatians 3:25-29](#)).

The scriptural reference to ([Romans 3:28](#)) has been taken **out of context** and the true meaning is referenced to hope, and prayer waiting eagerly being adopted as sons, the redemption of our bodies ([Romans 3:22-28](#)).

In the scriptural reference to ([Romans 5:1-2](#)) Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. This part of the context means just as it is stated justified, peace with God, access by faith, the grace in which we stand, being **in Christ** and we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God. In Christ is being in the body of Christ (the church) being a faithful baptized believer ([Mark 16:16](#), [Acts 16:15](#)).

Our Lord Christ Jesus tells us that unless we are born again of water and spirit, we cannot enter the kingdom of God. The Apostle Peter opens the door of the kingdom for those to enter by repentance, confession, and baptism ([Acts 2:32-42](#)) This act of obedience ([Romans 1:1-6](#)) not only do we receive the gift of the Holy Spirit, we are cleansed from our sins and are forgiven, we

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These next scriptural verses and passages will show you how important it is that we have both faith and works by faith ([Matthew 5:16](#), [John 3:21](#), [Acts 9:36](#), [Ephesians 2:10](#), [1 Thessalonians 1:2-6](#), [2 Thessalonians 1:11](#), [1 Timothy 2:10](#), [1 Timothy 5:9-10](#), [1 Timothy 6:17-18](#), [Titus 2:7-14](#), [Titus 3:8-14](#), [Hebrews 10:24](#), [Hebrews 11:17](#), [James 2:14-26](#)).

My hope is that through your study of the Holy Bible you will see the truth and that this is what you need to hold onto. The Sacred Texts will help you to see beyond the darkness that is within the world.

In [John 8:12](#) our Lord Christ Jesus tells us that whoever follows Him will never walk in darkness.

[James 2:26](#)

26 For as the body apart from the spirit is dead, so also faith apart from works is dead.

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Baptism of the Holy Spirit?

The false teaching known as the "Baptism of the Holy Spirit" which is being associated to the Baptism that was on the day of Pentecost with the twelve Apostles, which included Matthias who replaced Judas Iscariot because Judas Iscariot betrayed our Lord Christ Jesus and committed suicide.

The Baptism of the Holy Spirit brought special **divine gifts to the Apostles**, the gifts of tongues, healing, prophecy, to raise the dead, to cast out demons from people and the ability to pass on the Holy Spirit through the laying on of their hands. These **divine gifts ended** soon after the **end of the 1st century when the last of the twelve Apostles and any of the disciples that had**

received any of these divine gifts had passed away. These **divine gifts were no longer needed** when the original writings of the New Covenant or **New Testament were completed** by the inspired writers that were guided by the Holy Spirit ([1 Corinthians 13:8-10](#)).

This false teaching and false beliefs have misled people to believe that in some of these man-made religions people have received divine gifts of being able to speak with a tongue or tongues, to heal others by laying on of their hands, able to pass on the Holy Spirit with laying on of their hands and some state they can prophesize and have received direct revelations from God. All these people are being deceitful and have no divine gifts, have not received any revelations from God and cannot prophesize, they are looking for deceitful gain and ungodly pleasures.

These divine gifts were taken out of context from the following scriptures ([Acts 1:8](#), [Acts 2:1-4](#), [Acts 5:12](#), [Acts 8:17](#), [Acts 9:17](#), [Acts 10:43-46](#), [Acts 19:6](#), [1 Timothy 4:14](#), [1 Timothy 5:22](#), [2 Timothy 1:6](#)).

In ([1 Corinthians 13:8-10](#)) the “perfect” as written in the New Covenant or New Testament represents the inspired written word of God, the Gospels, Acts of the Apostles, the Epistles and Revelation written by the inspired writers carried along by the Holy Spirit ([2 Peter 1:21](#)).

Conclusion

When the Apostles and disciples that had been given the divine gifts fulfilled their work and passed away from this life all divine gifts ceased ([1 Corinthians 13:8-10](#)).

My hope that this shines the light of our marvelous Lord Christ Jesus on the darkness associated to the false teaching and false beliefs of the "baptism of the Holy Spirit".

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Persecuted Christian's around the World?

Please read this carefully in [Galatians 1:8-9](#) we are given warnings about people who try to teach a Gospel that is contrary to what we have received from the inspired word of God, they are to be accursed.

In [Ephesians 5:11-13](#) we are told to expose the unfruitful works of darkness. There are people that call themselves Christians around the world asking for help financially and physical help for people they call Persecuted Christian's that have preached the Gospel and told others that all they need to do is ask for Jesus to come into their heart and believe or follow some other man-made doctrine.

These people have distorted and corrupted the inspired word of God for personal gain ([Isaiah 5:20](#), [2 Timothy 3:1-5](#)).

In [Matthew 5:10-16](#) our Lord Christ Jesus tells us that we are blessed to be persecuted for His name. To be persecuted is what is expected for many Christians as written in [2 Timothy 3:12](#).

In [Romans 12:14](#) we are told to bless those who persecute you and do not curse them.

In [Matthew 5:44](#) we are told love our enemies and pray for those who persecute you.

In [Acts 5:40-42](#) the apostles were beaten and released, and they left rejoicing to be counted worthy to suffer dishonor for His name.

In [1 Peter 4:12-19](#) we are told to rejoice and be glad to suffer as a Christian.

In these few scriptural references there are no cries for help for being persecuted, this is a blessing to be persecuted for His name. Why would people distort and corrupt this blessing and turn this into a cry for help?

In the Gospel our Lord Jesus Christ tells us in [Matthew 7:12](#) to treat people the same as we would want them to treat us.

In [Matthew 25:31-46](#) our Lord Jesus Christ tells us what the difference is in treating a Christian that is in need verses not helping a Christian that is in need.

In [Galatians 6:9-10](#) we are told not to lose heart in doing good, we will reap in due time if we do not grow weary or give up. While we have an opportunity let us do good to all people especially those in the household of faith.

In [James 2:14-17](#) we are told to help our Christian Brothers or Sisters that are in need. In [James 1:27](#) we are told to help the orphans and widows in their distress and keep ourselves from being spotted from the world.

In [Hebrews 13:1-3](#) we are told to let brotherly love continue, to be hospitable to strangers, to remember the prisoners and the ill-treated that are also in the body.

We are not to have a blind eye to someone in need both in the body in Christ and or outside the body of Christ. In [Luke 10:29-37](#) our Lord Jesus Christ tells us about the good Samaritan and what we are to do for a neighbor.

Conclusion

When we see or hear of people in need we should try to help if it is within our ability, when we see or hear of people that falsely state they are in need of help we are to turn away from that evil, avoid such people and expose them ([Ephesians 5:11](#), [2 Timothy 3:1-5](#)).

[Proverbs 24:17](#)

17 Do not rejoice when your enemy falls,
and let not your heart be glad when he stumbles,

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