

What if... It's All True?

...His Identity:

- The Prophets
- The Prophecies
- The Name



WHAT IF...

Jesus
really was Immanuel,
God with us?
Matthew 1:23

“Immanuel”
means God with us...
not once we figure everything out...
not once we get our lives together...
but right in the middle of it all.

- Deuteronomy 18:21-22
- John 14:27
- John 2:19
- Matthew 15:24
- Matthew 24:14
- Matthew 1:23



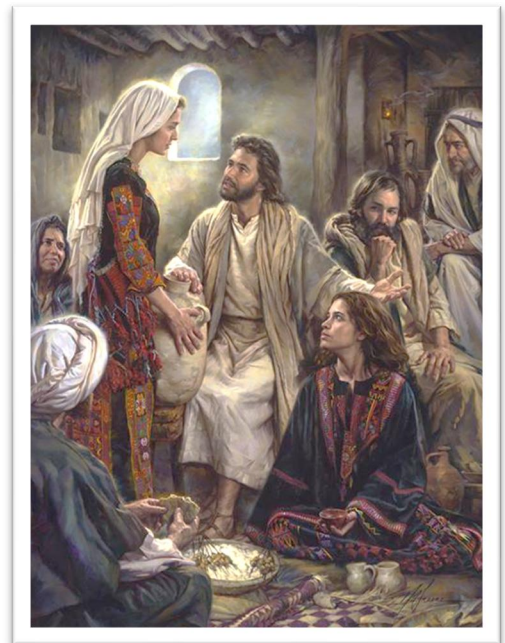
...His Mission:

The Purpose

- #1: God's Presence ON EARTH
- #2: To Be A True HUMAN

The Process

- To Expand God's CALLED PEOPLE



He didn't come just to fix behavior...
He came to restore what it means to be human...
and to show that God's family was always meant
to be bigger than we thought.

- Hebrews 11:1
- Matthew 9:13
- John 10:16
- Matthew 28:19
- John 15:12

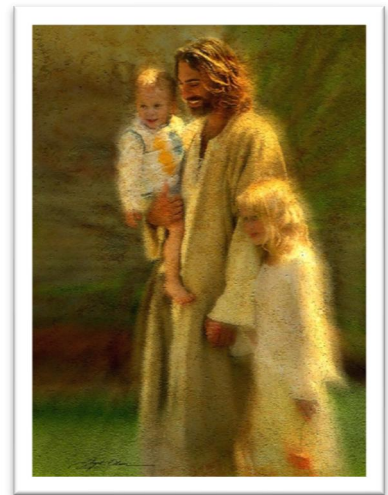
WHAT IF...
... we will only be known
by how we love others?
John 15:12

...His Message:

The Truth – LOVE is God's Way

The Focus -

- #1: The JESUS Way
 - New PERCEPTION
 - New IDENTITY
 - New COMMUNITY
 - New BEGINNING
- #2: Live the True Way of Being HUMAN



WHAT IF...

...there really are only two important commandments?

Mark 12:29-31

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- Luke 22:20
- Luke 5:32
- Matthew 28:19-20
- John 6:37

NOT belief systems alone.

NOT identity markers.

NOT rule keeping.

It was costly love - relational and lived - on which everything depended.



...His Gift:

The Presence

- The SPIRIT
- Never ALONE

The Promise

- Full TRANSFORMATION
- All things WILL BE NEW

πνεῦμα

pneuma / breath; spirit

רוּחַ

Ru'ach



WHAT IF...

...it really will be better than we can ask or imagine?

Ephesians 3:20

The same love
Jesus called us to live...
is **the same love**
the Spirit is growing in us...
and **the same love**
that will one day define everything.

- John 16:7
- Genesis 2:7; John 20:22
- John 16:7
- Ezekiel 36:26-27; Galatians 5:22-23
- Acts 1:8

The Transforming Power of Jesus' Mission & Message

THE
NEW
US

THE
OLD
US

OUR
OUR IDENTITY:
Notice who
you usually
overlook

OUR
OUR MISSION:
Move
toward
Jesus, not
away

OUR
OUR MESSAGE:
Choose
love over
being right

OUR
OUR GIFT:
Do one
small thing
that
reflects
Jesus daily

WHAT IF...
... it really is as simple as
ask, confess, and believe?
Acts 16:31

The Truth is...
...it *isn't* too much to believe,
...it's *more* than you can ask or imagine!



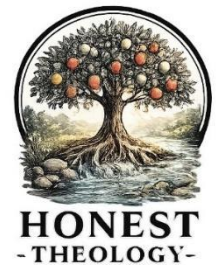
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