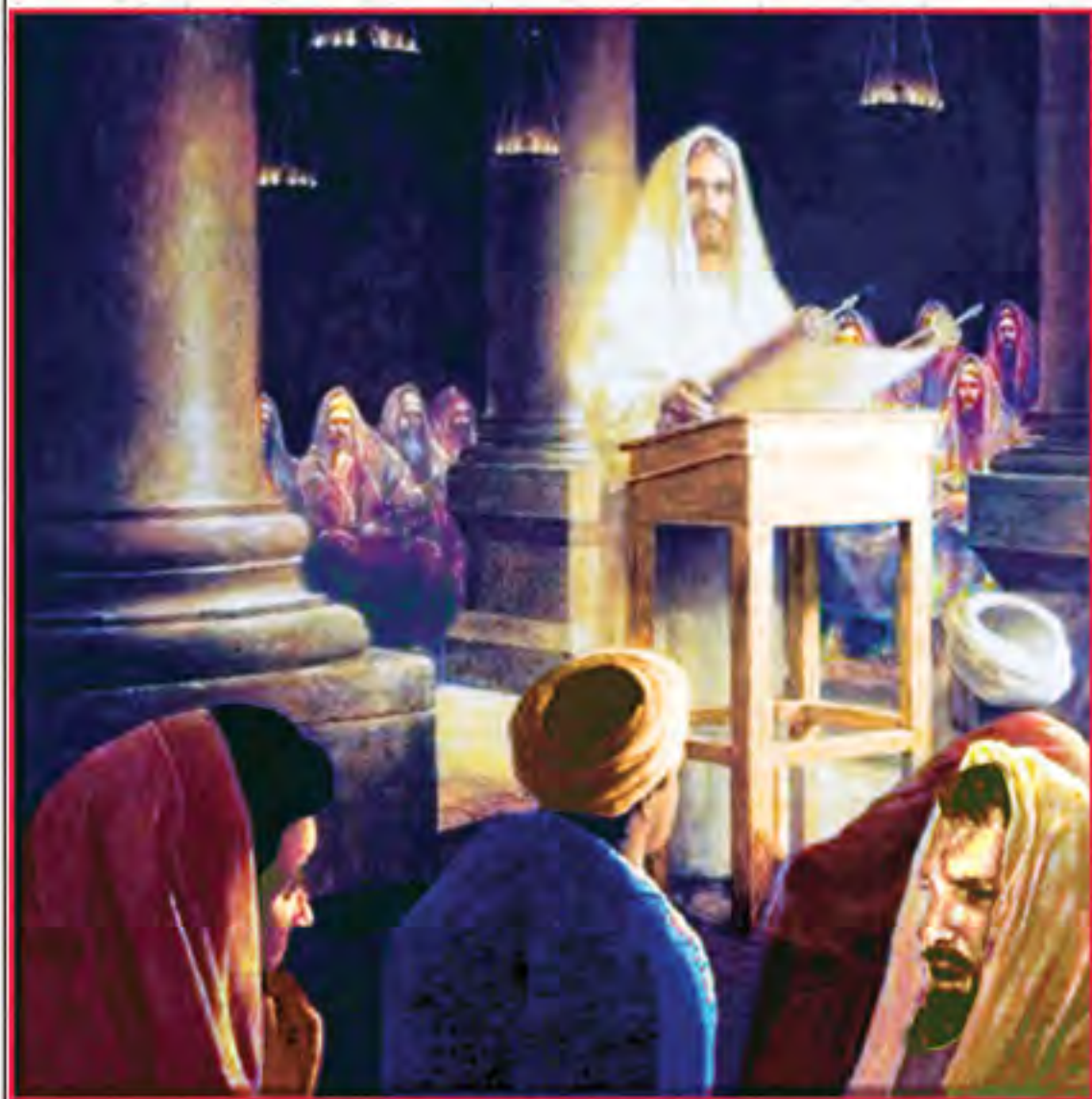


Gospel - Light

"Send out Thy light and Thy truth: let them lead me." Ps. 43:3

«For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation...» (Romans 1:16)

Never man spake like this Man!



side, and came to Jerusalem, they still followed Him, and He used to stand and cry, **"If any man thirst, let him come unto Me and drink". Never man spake like this man.** His were choice words; and they were delivered with such divine tenderness that the like has never been spoken since. **And yet many of those who heard Him were not saved.** All His preaching in Galilee seems to have only converted about five hundred, of which we read in 1 Corinthians 15:6. Does it not affect your heart and mind to think of Christ standing in the midst of perishing sinners, and yet they would not come to Him, that they might have life? My dear friend, we have the same scene before us now. You know, **"He is the same yesterday, today, and for ever".** He is still speaking to the hearts of people. He is still as able to save as ever; and everyone will need Him to have life. You need His arm to deliver you; and yet you will not come to Him, that you might have life. Sadly, most here on earth die unsaved; **"Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it"** (Matthew 7:14).

Look at my text again, **"Ye will not come to Me, that ye might have life"** (John 5:40). The life that this Scripture speaks of is in the hand

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There is, to my mind, nothing more affecting than just to hear of the multitudes that came around the Lord of glory, and yet were not saved by Him. There were multitudes that pressed upon Him as He preached by the Lake of Galilee; and they crowded round Him when He preached in the house; and when He went to the mountain-side, they followed Him; or, when He left the mountain-

When Peter Saw It...

Do you remember playing as a child with a picture jigsaw puzzle. Slowly one by one you try to put the pieces together... There's a piece, there it is, it's right in front of you but you still don't recognize how the puzzle piece fits. You look and experiment placing your pieces. **Then in one instant, you see it!** Suddenly, as your mind is illuminated you see it clearly! Why didn't you see that before?

Spiritual matters are like that. The modern pace of life has turned people into robots, running to and fro just to make a living... and they miss seeing the true value in knowing Jesus in a personal way. I submit to you that multitudes of people simply don't see the Lord Jesus Christ as God, our Creator! Even though the Lord has openly displayed Himself to mankind through His majestic power seen in all of earth's creation!

In the Bible we find the Apostle Peter who went from being a fisherman, a working man like most of us and all at once he was transformed into a believer. Something clicked in his mind, Peter was illuminated, enlightened and then suddenly he saw Jesus for who He actually is, the Lord Jesus Christ!

"And it came to pass, that, as the people pressed upon Him to hear the Word of God,



He stood by the lake of Gennesaret, ...And He entered into one of the ships, which was Simon's, and prayed him that he would thrust out a little from the land. And He sat down, and taught the people out of the ship" (Luke 5:1-3). The Lord Jesus came and borrowed Peter's boat to speak to the crowd from just off the shore.

Notice first of all, **PETER HEARD THE WORD OF GOD.**

The Bible says the people pressed to hear the Word of God, not to hear philosophy or political ideology. Today we see people pressing in crowds in a wild media frenzy. The masses always gather to see famous people and to hear them speak.

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What about Orthodox Church Traditions?



"Then the Pharisees and scribes asked Him, Why walk not thy disciples according to the tradition of the elders, but eat bread with unwashed hands? He answered and said unto them, Well hath Esaias prophesied of you hypocrites, as it is written, This people honoureth me with their lips,

but their heart is far from me. Howbeit in vain do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men." (Mark 7:5-7).

How are we to worship the Lord Jesus Christ? What guides us into a pleasing relationship with God the Father? Some say that God has ordained what's called "Holy Church Traditions" for the people to follow and obey. Some say these "church traditions" have God's approval and possess a higher authority than the Holy Word of God. Let me state as kindly as I know how, **"this is not true!"** There is no authority given to any man in any church on earth that rises above the Bible! **"...for Thou hast magnified Thy Word above all Thy name"** (Psalm 138:2). The Bible is our final authority **"All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness"** (II Timothy 3:16).

Man has been given the Holy Scriptures as God's final authority for us to live by and make doctrine. The Word of God teaches us the way

of salvation is through faith in Christ. **"He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life; and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him"** (John 3:36).

So why do we find people that pray through the icons to God, worshipping saints of old and following man-made practices and rituals? Are these things taught by God or by men? **"...to be absent from the body, is to be present with the Lord"** (2 Cor. 5:8) for a Believer. So why does the Orthodox church teach that (after death the soul is wandering for 40 days through "aerial toll houses" until the soul finds it's place in the afterlife?) Jesus had this same problem with religious people when He was walking on earth... **"For laying aside the commandment of God, ye hold the tradition of men, as the washing of pots and cups: and many other such like things ye do. And he said unto them, Full well ye reject the commandment of God, that ye may keep your own tradition... Making the word of God of none effect through your tradition, which ye have delivered: and many such like things do ye"** (Mark 7:8,9,13).

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Through the centuries of church history men have added on their personal thoughts and ideas for trying to please God in attempts of forgiveness, to receive God's blessings and eternity in Heaven. These man-made forms of worship have been passed on as "church traditions" by the church fathers. **"Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ. For in Him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily. And ye are complete in Him, which is the head of all principality and power"** (Colossians 2: 8-10).

But I ask you, who gave these men this authority to add anything to the finished Holy Scriptures? **"Howbeit in vain do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men"** (Mark 7: 7).

Truly there are some church traditions which are good, acceptable and pleasing to the Lord Jesus! **"Therefore, brethren, stand fast, and hold the traditions which ye have been taught, whether by word, or our epistle"** (II Thessalonians 2:15). The basis for us to determine our worship and religious practices which have been handed down through the generations is through the infallible, inerrant Word of God. Traditions are to be examined in the Light of the Bible not loyalty to church fathers of old! **"For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book: And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book"** (Revelation 22:18,19).

Church traditions can give people a false sense of security. They think that God is pleased by keeping these man created traditional rituals of candle lighting, icon kissing, etc,... But these things are not found in the Holy Scriptures! Search and see...

The way to Heaven is not through following



religious practices that have been handed down through the centuries... No, the way to Heaven is simple faith in Jesus Christ and His payment for your sins on the cross! There is nothing we can do. No church tradition we can keep that will earn us salvation. **"For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast"** (Ephesians 2:9).

God wants us to come to Him and rest from all of the religious works and idolatry. Regrettably, Church tradition states that no one can be sure of eternal life. How sad, because the Word of God clearly says, **"These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; THAT YE MAY KNOW THAT YE HAVE ETERNAL LIFE, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God"** (I John 5:13). God wants everyone to humble themselves and receive His gift by praying to Jesus. **"But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His name"** (John 1:12).

Do you know that you have eternal life? Read your Bible! If you pray to the Lord Jesus Christ, confess to Him that you are a sinner, and invite Him into your heart and life you can be saved and sure of Heaven when you pass on! **"For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved"** (Romans 10:13).

— Tom Meador

A Clear Conscience

"And herein do I exercise myself, to have always a conscience void to offence toward God, and toward men." — Acts 24:16

After Ffyona Campbell became famous as the first woman to walk around the world, her joy was short-lived. Despite the adulation she received, something troubled her. Guilt overtook her and pushed her to the brink of a nervous breakdown.

What was bothering her? **"I shouldn't be remembered as the first woman to walk around the world,"** she finally admitted. **"I cheated."** During her worldwide trek, she broke the guidelines of the Guinness Book of World Records by riding in a truck part of the way. To clear her conscience, she called her sponsor and confessed her deception.

God has given each of us a conscience that



brings guilt when we do wrong. In Romans, Paul describes our conscience as **"accusing or else excusing [us]"** (2:15). For the obedient follower of Jesus Christ, care of the conscience is an important way of maintaining a moral compass despite moral

imperfection. Confessing sin, turning from it, and making restitution should be a way of life (1 John 1:9; Lev. 6:2-5).

Paul modeled a well-maintained conscience, saying, **"And herein do I exercise myself, to have always a conscience void to offence toward God, and toward men."** (Acts 24:16). Through confession and repentance, he kept short accounts with God. Is sin bothering you?

— Dennis Fisher

Faithfulness

"If we believe not, yet he abideth faithful: he cannot deny himself" (II Timothy 2:13).

I can confess, to my shame, that there have been seasons in my life when I have not been faithful to my Lord. The words of the hymnist ring true too many times, **"Prone to wander, Lord I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love"**. The truth is that every time I have become estranged in my relationship with Jesus, it is I who have moved and



not Him. He is not hard to find. The Lord will always be at the place where I left from when I strayed from His side. Every child of God can identify with this experience.

The comfort and assurance that comes from the Scripture is that even when I am not faithful, the Lord is. Three things it is impossible for God to do; to die, to lie and to be deceived. When He saved me He promised eternal life and that He would never leave me; **"...for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee"** (Hebrews 13:5b). This is not a conditional promise. It is not dependent on my

faithfulness but upon His faithfulness. Praise the Lord that Jesus is holding on to me and not me to Him. Even when I slip and fall, His strong hand holds me tight.

John was writing to the church in his epistles. He addressed Christians with such verses as; **"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness"** (I John 1:9). This was not a prayer for salvation but a child of God's prayer for restored fellowship.

I cannot lose my salvation but I can lose my fellowship with the Savior. Thank the Lord, because of His faithfulness, He is always waiting for the wanderer to come back into the fold.

With these thoughts in mind, let us endeavor to be more faithful in our walk with the Lord Jesus Christ; **"Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful"** (I Corinthians 4:2). Faithfulness will be rewarded; **"...be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life"** (Revelation 2:10b).

— Fred Barton

Why are you being Afflicted?

"For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory" (2Cor 4:17)

Note now the connection between the two. Our light affliction, that is but for a moment, **"worketh for a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory."** The present is influencing the future. It is not for us to reason and philosophize about this, but to take God at His Word and believe it. Experience, feelings, observation of others, may seem to deny this fact. Often afflictions appear only to sour us and make us more rebellious and discontented. **But let us remember that afflictions are not sent by God for the purpose of purifying the flesh: they are designed for the benefit of the "new man."**

Moreover, **afflictions help prepare us for the glory hereafter.** Affliction draws away our hearts from the love of the world; It makes us long more for the time when we shall be translated from this scene of sin and sorrow: **it will enable us to appreciate by way of contrast the things God has prepared for them that love Him.**

Here then is what faith is invited to do: to place in one scale the present affliction, in



the other, the eternal glory. Are they worthy to be compared? No, indeed. **One second of glory will more than counterbalance a whole life suffering.**

What are years of toil, of sick time, of sickness, of battling against poverty, of persecution, even a martyr's death, when weighed over against the pleasures at God's right hand, that are for evermore! **We must view everything in the light of eternity.**

One breath of Paradise will extinguish all the adverse winds of earth! One day in the Father's House will more than balance the years we have spent in this dreary wilderness. May God grant us faith that will enable us to anticipatively lay hold of the future and live in the present enjoyment of it.

— A.W. Pink

When Peter Saw It...

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Unfortunately, many movie stars and famous personalities influence their followers with personal opinions and humanistic philosophies. This is nothing new! Humanism was prevalent even in the early church age. People have always desired "living it up" and living to please themselves because they assume that's all there is to this life.

When the crowds came to hear Jesus, **"...He said unto them, I must preach the kingdom of God..."** (Luke 4:34). I believe that Peter heard some wonderful truths about the Kingdom of God from Christ that day! **"And there are also many other things which Jesus did, the which, if they should be written every one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written. Amen"** (John 21:25).

2nd PETER EXPERIENCED THE WORD OF GOD.

"Now when He had left speaking, He said unto Simon, Launch out into the deep, and let down your nets for a draught" (Luke 5:4). The Lord Jesus commanded Peter to go back out into the deep even though they had fished all night and "caught nothing". This went against human

logic. After all, this was Peter's job and the way in which he earned his living. Fishing was not just a hobby, but his business profession which he knew quite well!

The Lord Jesus had a promise in His command, **"let down your net for a draught (catching)"**. Peter thought about this man who had been preaching the Word of God and he trusted Him! Against all human logic Peter believed Jesus and let down his nets...

Imagine this supernatural experience! **God always keeps His word!** Naturally, there was a miraculous provision, **"the multitude of fish"**. What a contrast from the night before. **"And when they had this done, they inclosed a great multitude of fishes; and their net brake. And they beckoned unto their partners, which were in the other ship, that they should come and help them. And they came, and filled both the ships, so that they began to sink"**. (Luke 5:6,7). When God is present there is always a big difference. This brings us to the focal point!

3rd WHEN PETER SAW IT, HE RESPONDED TO THE WORD OF GOD!

"When Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, Depart from me;

for I am a sinful man, O Lord" (vs. 8). Notice, something happened in an instant.



Peter was enlightened and he saw the divinity of Jesus Christ right before his eyes! What did Peter see? I believe that Peter saw that Jesus **"was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God"** (John 1:1). He saw Christ do something supernatural! Suddenly, he realized that Jesus was the LORD God, in the flesh, right before his very eyes! This was salvation. It is like the Christian hymn, Amazing Grace, **"... I once was blind but now I see"**. Have you ever seen that Jesus Christ is the Lord God Almighty? Have you?

Then too, notice, that it is a very personal relationship as he communicated with the Lord, (the words *me and I..*) Peter said, **"Depart from ME; for I am a sinful man,**

ish, but have everlasting life". And there are many other Scriptures that promise eternal life through faith in Christ.

Now, when Christ stood among the Jews, he knew that they were dead. He knew that they were walking over the fire that never shall be quenched. And, it was this that made Him cry so earnestly, **"Ye will not come to Me, that ye might have life"**. There is life eternal in His hand - **"And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish..."** (John 10:28). He was always willing to give it. Had the chief of His enemies come to Him, they too would have received the gift of Life eternal! But, ah! **"Ye will not come to Me"**. Is it the same with you? Those of you who have not been born again are on the brink of destruction, disguise it as you will; but Christ has the very thing that you need. **Why will you not come to Him that you may have life?** You will go to your priest, and yet you will not come to Christ.

Jesus told the religious crowd, **"Search the Scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life; and they are they which testify of Me"** (John 5:38). Moses testified of Him; and the Psalms testify of Jesus; and the Gospel testifies of Him. The whole Bible from the beginning to the end testifies of Christ. It testifies of the way of pardon through His blood; and yet He says, **"Ye will not come to Me, that ye might have life"**. Why don't you bow before the Lord now in prayer and receive Him as your personal Saviour. Be honest and confess your sins, and ask Him to save you. He will hear you, as He promised; **"...And him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out"** (John 6:36).

— Robert Murray M'Cheyne.

O Lord". We see Peter acknowledging the Lordship of Jesus Christ. He **HEARD** the preaching of the Word of God.

Then he **EXPERIENCED** the loving hand of Almighty God providing him with so many fish. Which caused Peter to **RESPOND**. He bowed down and prayed to the Lord Jesus Christ!

Being born again is similar to that in some ways. Like with that picture jigsaw puzzle... Slowly one by one you try to put the pieces together... You go through life as God tries to speak to your heart through various experiences. Perhaps you hear His Word somewhere or read the Word of God yourself, and your heart and mind are challenged that you need Jesus Christ. He gives you pieces of the full picture of His power and His glory... **"When Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees..."** When you see it, you'll see Christ waiting for you! The Holy Spirit reveals Jesus Christ to you and your need for salvation. This is how we are born-again into the family of God. When you see Jesus is the Saviour, you too will fall at His knees and confess to the Lord that you are a sinner.

How about you today! Don't you see it? **"Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith..."** (Hebrews 2:2a). (Read the Salvation Prayer on page 4 at the bottom.)

— Tom Meador

Never man spake like this Man!

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of Christ. It is here implied, then, that Christ has life, and that we all stand in need of it. The life that is in the hand of Christ may be described in two ways -life judicial, and life eternal.

1. LIFE JUDICIAL. You know that when a man receives a pardon from government he is said to receive his life. So it is here. The word is used in the same sense in the 24th verse: **"Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that heareth My word, and believeth on Him that sent Me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life"**. In this verse, you will notice that life is opposed to condemnation, and it appears to mean justification. The same meaning may be attached to those words in the 20th chapter, 31st verse: **"These are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that, believing, ye might have life through His name"**. See also the first Epistle of John, 5th chapter, and 12th verse: **"He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son hath not life."** In this passage, life appears to be the pardon of all sin, and admission into the favor of God.

Now, Christ when He stood in the midst of the Jews, knew that they were all under the sentence of the broken law, and He knew that He was to die for sinners; therefore He said to them, **"Ye will not come to Me, that ye might have life"**. The Lord was clearly saying, "In My hand there is a pardon. The Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins; yet ye will not come to Me". This

is true among us; He is as much here present as He was then. He has suffered, the just for the unjust. He has died for sinners, and now He offers you pardon. Why are you not saved? The reason is you will not come to Him, that you might have life.



2. LIFE ETERNAL. But I said that eternal life was implied in these words, **"Ye will not come to Me that ye might have life"**. These words are continually used to signify eternal life. It is said in the 25th of Matthew, **"These shall go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into life eternal"**. And it is said in John, "God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on Him should not per-

The Wonders of God...

Much of the Bible describes the glory and majesty of God almighty. **"Declare His glory among the heathen, His wonders among all people. For the LORD is great, and greatly to be praised: He is to be feared above all gods"** (Psalm 96:3,4). We read about His miraculous work of creation and we marvel.



The Word of God never sets out to argue or defend the existence of God Almighty. The very first verse in the first chapter simply declares, **"In the beginning God created the Heaven and the earth!"** (Genesis 1:1). The apostle Paul, when characterizing the deity of Christ boldly proclaimed, **"For by Him were all things created, that are in Heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by Him, and for Him: And He is before all things, and by Him all things consist"** (Colossians 1:16,17).

Through the Scriptures, we read about His omnipotence, and His omniscience, and His omnipresence and it astounds us beyond our comprehension. **"Who is like unto Thee, O LORD, among the gods? who is like Thee, glorious in holiness, fearful in praises, doing wonders?"** (Exodus 15:11). One must stand in awe when we consider the wonders of God!

— Tom Meador

The Saving Work of Christ as our Priest

The office of the priest was very important in the Old Testament times. Not only did he represent God before the people, but the priest represented the people before God. He was the mediator, the go-between! He was the link which connected Heaven and earth. In this position, he was also the leader in the spiritual worship and service. The Jewish priest carried out several activities that were essential in approaching Deity. Therefore, through his life and ministry, the people could have fellowship and communion with God.

With the failure of the Old Testament and the establishment of the New Testament however, Jesus is now set forth as our High Priest. "For



there is one God, and one Mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus" (I Tim. 2:5). Christ is our Mediator, our Go between! This is why He said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh to the Father but by Me" (John 14:6). He has not just provided a way to God He is the Way! Therefore we can have fellowship and communion with the Father through Him! Yes, similar to the priest of the Jewish system, who saved the people from God's anger, Jesus saves us from the consequences of our sins.

As Priest, Jesus Saves Us from - the Separation of Sin! Since the sin of Adam and Eve which separated them from the presence of God and the garden, sin has brought separation. What the prophet Isaiah said in his day is true of every generation, "But your

iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid His face from you" (Isa. 59:2). Of course, sin not only separates men from God, but men from men, friend from friend, husbands from wives, parents from children, etc. Sin divides, detaches, and destroys!

The picture looks rather dark, doesn't it? But, blessed be God! Jesus Christ brings us light and hope! As the high priest in Israel took the blood of an innocent sacrifice and entered into the holiest once a year to make atonement for the sins of the people, so Christ our High Priest "By His own blood... entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us" (Heb. 9:12). And as Paul said, "But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ" (Eph. 2:13). Thank God! However, that is not all.

As Priest, Jesus Saves Us from - the Shame of Sin. With sin comes defilement, guilt, and shame. The sinners conscience accuses him. His heart is heavy-laden with blame and condemnation. This is why he avoids God's people. His sinfulness is exposed! To use the Psalmist's words, "Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous" (Psalm 1:5). Guilt is the sinner's garment! Condemnation becomes his covering! Shame worn as a suit! You see, he is all dressed up for Hell!

Again, however, this is where Jesus reveals His saving work! As our Priest He took our guilt and shame and wore it as HIS own garment when He "His own self bare our sins in His own body on the tree" (I Pet 2:24). He took our sins away! Glory to God, they are gone forever! And, for this reason, our guilt is removed! Jesus has promised, "Verily, verily I say unto you, he that heareth my word, and believeth on Him that sent Me, hath everlasting life and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death into life" (John 5:24).

— Evangelist Tom Hayes

Jesus touched him

"There came a leper" to our Lord, in verse 2, and we are told this leper "worshipped him." Evidently, the leper had learned enough from what he had heard about Jesus or possibly from what he had heard from Him for it could well have been that this leper was on the outskirts of the multitude who heard the Sermon on the Mount. In some way and for some reason, he worshipped the Lord. He recognized Jesus as all our Lord claimed to be, the very only begotten Son of God. Therefore, he worshipped Him.

In his worship, as he came to our Savior, he said, "Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean". Here is faith if I have ever seen faith. This is faith. Do you not well know this leper knew he had a terminal disease? Do you doubt he knew sooner or later he was going to die as a result of the plague of leprosy? He knew this. He knew he had a fatal, incurable malady which sooner or later was going to take his life; and yet he had enough faith in the Lord, having heard Him speak as one having authority, and now worshiping Him as Lord and as Savior, he said, "Lord." Note this terminology, "Lord." In the New Testament we find many people approaching the Lord by calling Him "Rabbi" or "Master"

or "Teacher" or this or the other; but no man calleth Jesus "Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

I would like to submit to you that never does a man call Jesus "Lord" sincerely and honestly except the Holy Spirit leads him to do so and inspires him to do so. The fact this leper identified Jesus as Lord is a good indication the Spirit of God had already begun to work in his heart and already the man had received and trusted Jesus as personal Savior. He makes such confession when he identifies the Lord Jesus as "Lord." "Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean."

Then in verse 3, we read, "And Jesus put forth His hand and touched him." Some people may avoid other people, and I am certain in Jesus' day this leper had been avoided by the members of his own family and the members of his own community. The leper was isolated from all of Capernaum, yet the Lord Jesus deliberately touched him. As guilty and vile and wretched as we may be, we are within the scope and the potential of eternal and everlasting life, and if we will only come to accept and to receive the Lord Jesus, we can be saved. "And immediately his leprosy was cleansed".

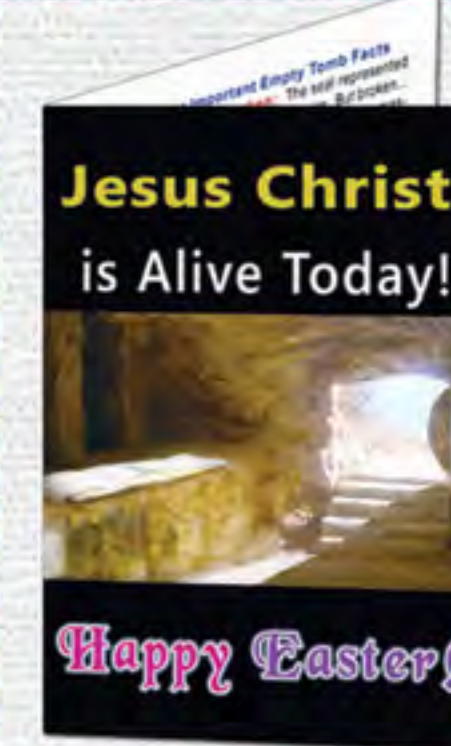
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Salvation Prayer

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"Dear Father in Heaven, I thank you for sending the Lord Jesus to die upon the Cross for me. I repent with sorrow for all my sins, and ask you to forgive me and help me live for You. Please cleanse me with Your precious Blood. I open my heart and by faith I ask You to come into my life. I now accept Jesus Christ as my personal Savior! In Jesus' Name I pray. Amen."

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