

“WHY DID JESUS COME?”

(2 Corinthians 3:12-18)

Introduction: Luke 1:76–77, ⁷⁶ “And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; For you will go on before the Lord to prepare His ways; ⁷⁷ To give to His people *the* knowledge of salvation By the forgiveness of their sins,”

¹² Therefore having such a hope, we use great boldness in *our* speech,

I. JESUS CAME BECAUSE THE LAW DOES NOT PRODUCE GOD-DIRECTED FAITH

¹³ and *are* not like Moses, *who* used to put a veil over his face so that the sons of Israel would not look intently at the end of what was fading away. ¹⁴ But their minds were hardened; for until this very day at the reading of the old covenant the same veil remains unlifted, because it is removed in Christ.

II. JESUS CAME BECAUSE THE LAW WILL NOT RESULT IN HEARTCHANGING SALVATION

¹⁵ But to this day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their heart;

¹⁶ but whenever a person turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away.

III. JESUS CAME BECAUSE THE LAW CANNOT LEAD TO TRUE SPIRITUAL FREEDOM

¹⁷ Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, *there* is liberty. ¹⁸ But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as from the Lord, the Spirit.

CONCLUSION: