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What is your favorite gospel presentation in Scripture? (Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5-7), Pentecost (Acts 2), Cornelius (Acts 10), Paul to the Romans (Romans 3))

What is it that you like or what is in the presentation that you remember or like the best? What have you learned and intentionally incorporated into your own gospel presentations from the gospel presentations in Scripture?



II. Introduction: Gospel Presentation at the Youth Winter Retreat (5 S's)

- The S _____ of God** (Eternal, Holy, 3 Omni's)
 - God is our Creator and has rightful ownership over our lives – we were made for by His will and for His purpose/glory (to love Him, know Him, serve Him, and worship Him forever)
 - 1 Timothy 1:17, 6:15-16** ¹⁷ Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, *be* honor and glory forever and ever. Amen....He who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, ¹⁶ who alone possesses immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no man has seen or can see. To Him *be* honor and eternal dominion! Amen.
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Whether it be the 4 Spiritual Laws, 2 EE Questions, Bridge to Life, Steps to Peace with God, Ultimate Questions, The Way of the Master, 5 Ps, The Need, Source, Response, Proof, The 3 and 3, Or the new 5 S's – what is critical to communicate in every gospel presentation that Peter communicated to Cornelius?

III. Main Points

1. The Gospel is a word/message of P_____ (reconciliation with God) (10:36a)

- Peace (εἰρήνη *Eirene*: peace, welfare, to be undisturbed Origin: from εἰρω *eiro* (to join))
- Peace/reconciliation with God verses: **Romans 5:1-11, Col. 1:20-22, 1 Peter 3:18, Eph. 2:13-22, 2 Cor. 5:15-21**

Why is peace/reconciliation with God necessary? How exactly is it achieved? How exactly is it received/appropriated?

2. Jesus is the C_____ (the anointed/chosen one, Messiah-Deliverer/Redeemer) (10:36b)

- Christ - Χριστός *Christos*: the Anointed One, Messiah, Christ (Acts 2:31-33, 3:18-21, 10:42-3, 16:30-31, 17:2-3, 26:23)
- Jesus is the Christ verses: (Mt. 12:40, 16:15-17, 21, 26:63-64, Mk. 8:31, 9:31, 10:34, Lk. 9:22, 23:35, 24:46, Jn. 1:40-41, 11:25-27)

Where in the Bible did Jesus clearly claim to be the Christ and how did He prove He was the long awaited Christ/Messiah?

3. Jesus is L_____ (King of kings, Lord of lords) (10:36c)

- Lord - κύριος *kurios*: lord, master Origin: from κύρος *kuros* (authority)
- Jesus is Lord verses: **Acts 2:36, 20:21, Romans 10:9-13, 14:9, 1 Cor. 12:3, Phil. 2:5-11, 1 Tim. 6:11-16, 2 Peter 3:18, Rev. 17:14, 19:16**

How would you answer a friend or child who asks what exactly the confession "Jesus is Lord" means – how would you answer someone who claims that you only need to believe/have faith in Jesus as Savior, but not repent or follow Jesus as Lord (Lordship salvation)?

4. Jesus' P_____/sinless life = imputed righteousness/right standing with God (10:37-39a)

- Anointed by the Holy Spirit (πνεύματι ἁγίῳ)
- Power (δύναμις *dunamis*: miraculous power, might, strength)
- Doing good (healing ALL oppressed by the devil) εὐεργετέω *euergeteo*: to do good, working good/good works
- God was with Him (ὅτι ὁ Θεὸς ἦν μετ' αὐτοῦ)
- All the things He did in Israel/Jerusalem (πάντων ὧν ἐποίησεν)
- Sinlessness of Christ verses: **Heb. 4:15-16, 7:26-28, 2 Cor. 5:21, 1 Peter 2:21-24, 1 John 1:5, 3:5, Acts 3:14, 7:52, 22:14**

Why is the sinlessness of Jesus critical to our salvation? Where are the Jesus was perfect/sinless passages in Scripture? What do we mean when we say Jesus demonstrated His deity and all the signs/powers/miracles during His 1st coming that will be true/real for 1000 years in the coming Kingdom (demonstration of His power over disease, disaster, demons, the devil, and death)?

5. Jesus' S_____ death on the cross = payment for our sins (His blood paid to God the Father to satisfy His justice/wrath so we have total forgiveness of sins past, present, and future) (10:39b)

- The tree: (ἀνεῖλαν κρεμάσαντες ἐπὶ ξύλου) (put to death, hang upon the tree)
- Cross/died for our sins verses: **1 Pet. 2:24, 3:18, Col. 2:13-15, Is. 53:4-6, 1 Cor. 15:3-4, Gal. 3:13-14, Heb. 9:27-28**
- Blood is the source verses: **1 John 1:7, Ephesians 1:7-8, Revelation 1:5-6, Romans 3:24-25, 5:8-9, 1 Peter 1:19**

Where and how many times did Jesus present His blood for us in order to obtain eternal redemption for us? (Heb. 9:11-12)

6. Jesus' V_____ resurrection = eternal life (promise/guarantee of our resurrection from the dead) (10:40)

- Raised on the 3rd day (ἐγήρω *egeiro*: to waken, to raise up)
- Resurrection of Jesus Chapters: **Mt. 28, Mark 16, Luke 24, John 20**

Why is the resurrection foundational to Christianity? (Read **1 Corinthians 15:12-20**)

7. Jesus' post resurrection A_____ (eye-witness testimony that is evidence of Jesus' deity/eternality) (10:40b-41)

- Visible/appeared - ἐμφανής *emphanes*: manifest
- Eyewitnesses of the Resurrection verses: **1 Cor. 15:3-8**

Why is eye-witness testimony vital to our faith? (Read **1 John 1:1-3, 2 Peter 1:18-21**) everything confirmed 2-3 witnesses—Dt.17:6,19:15,Mt.18:16,2 Cor.13:1,1 Tim.5:19,Heb. 10:28

8. Jesus' G_____ C_____ (we ALL are commanded by our Lord to preach the gospel to everyone and make disciples of all ethnicities/nations and to WARN people of the coming wrath/judgment of God through Jesus as the Judge of the Living and the Dead!) (10:42)

- Preach - κηρύσσω *kerusso*: to be a herald, proclaim
- Testify - διαμαρτύρομαι *diamarturomai*: to affirm solemnly
- Warn of Judgment – Jesus is coming back to judge the living and the dead
- Appointed by God (ὀρίζω *horizo*: to mark off by boundaries, to determine) as The Judge of the Living and the Dead (κριτής *krites*: a judge)
- Great Commission Verses: **Mt. 28:18-20, Mk. 16:15, Lk. 24:47-48, John 20:31, Acts 1:8, Romans 10:14-17**

How are you praying, playing, and striving/taking the initiative to be faithful to the Great Commission?

9. Jesus' awesome gospel/promise of salvation is to E_____!...everyone who believes receives forgiveness of sins (10:43)

- Believes - πιστεύω *pisteuo*: to believe, entrust
- Receives - λαμβάνω *lambano*: to take, receive
- Forgiveness - ἄφεσις *aphesis*: dismissal, release, fig. *pardon*, Origin: ἄφεςις *aphesis*: dismissal, release, fig. *pardon*
- Christ died for everyone: **John 1:29, 3:16-18, 4:42, 1 John 2:2, Rom. 8:32, 1 Tim. 2:4-6, Heb. 2:9, 2 Cor. 5:15-21, 1 Peter 3:18, 2 Peter 3:9, Ezek. 18:23, 32, Titus 2:11**
- Everyone is invited to salvation verses: **Mt. 10:32, 16:24-25, Luke 6:47-48, 12:8-9, 14:11, John 5:24, 6:40, 9:31/Acts 10:34-35, John 11:25-26, 12:46, Acts 2:21, 2:38/Joel 2:32, Acts 10:43, Romans 10:4, 9-13, Gal. 3:22, 1 John 4:15**

Why is it so dangerous and twisting the Biblical gospel when some preach Christ only died for the elect and NOT fore everyone? Is it good news for everyone if Christ might not have died for you, and might have elected you to Hell? How does this jive with Acts 10:34-35? Name one verse that supports Christ DIDN'T die for everyone? What do you do with 2 Peter 2:1, 2 Thess. 2:12, Romans 11:20-23?

10. Jesus' gift/baptism of the H_____ S_____ is given as immediate proof and validation of salvation (genuine belief/repentance/faith in Jesus as Lord) (10:44-45)

- Holy Spirit fell upon - ἐπιπίπτω *epiipito*: to fall upon
- Poured out - ἐκχύνω *ekchunno*: to pour out, fig. to bestow
- Gift - δωρεά *dorea*: a gift
- Tongues (languages) - γλῶσσα *glossa*: the tongue, a language
- Magnifying - μεγαλύνω *megaluno*: to make or declare great
- Verses on indwelling and seal of the Holy Spirit: **John 14:16-17, 15:26, 16:7-15, Romans 8:9, Eph. 1:13-14, 4:30, 1 Cor. 3:16, 2 Cor. 1:22, 6:16-19, 12:9, Eph. 2:22, 3:17, 2 Tim. 1:14, Titus 3:3-7**

For those who claim tongues are still for today, or that someone has to speak in tongues in order to be saved – how would you answer them from Scripture? (Read in 1 Cor. 12:40 - not every speaks in tongues/tongues clearly are NOT a requirement for salvation, 1 Cor.13:8 tongues, prophecy, and gift of knowledge will cease when the maturity of the church comes). Not everyone even in Acts speaks in tongues when they are saved (Jerusalem - Acts 2, Samaria - Acts 8, Saul - Acts 9, Gentiles - Acts 10, Philipians -Acts 16, Ephesians - Acts 19). For further research read the excellent article www.gotquestions.org/speak-in-tongues-saved.html

IV. Application: 1 Peter 1:17-21 – How can we better thank, praise, and worship the Lord for His PRECIOUS blood?



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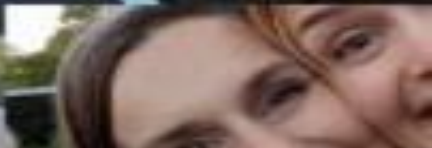
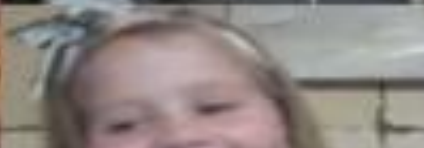
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LOVE GOD SUPREMELY

Matthew 22:37-38 ³⁷ And He said to him, "YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, AND WITH ALL YOUR SOUL, AND WITH ALL YOUR MIND." ³⁸ "This is the great and foremost commandment.

SERVE PEOPLE SINCERELY

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REACH THE LOST URGENTLY

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This week: 3 young girls outside pf in long dresses – Can we talk to you – Mormons? – Yes – 2 year mission – Yes. (seeing tbc sweatshirt – I pastor a local church – what is your favorite verse, Rev. 21:4 (quote), what is yours (Prov. 3:5–6). Chad – can I tell you 10 reasons why I’m not a Mormon/your religion is a cult? (lead girl – just 3).

1. **Your books** – book of Mormon don’t line up with the Bible. Jesus is God, you think he is a created being, brothers with satan. What do you do with Col. 1 He is the image of the invisible God, from him/through him/for him all things were made, in Him the fullness of deity dwells in bodily form... Jesus said if you deny that I am you will die in your sins (John 8:32) referring to God as the I am from Exodus 3:14.
2. **Your founder** – justified pedophilia with his maid, practiced polygamy. Claimed angel gave him golden plates (that conveniently don’t exist, only a 3 saw, only one (Joseph Smith) could translate with special goggles from Egyptian hieroglyphics (at the time unknown, but since deciphered, modern shown to be gibberish). Died in a shootout (he was murdered).
3. **Your cult/blasphemy** – I’ve seen smuggled video from Mormon temple showing baptisms for the dead, secret handshake of Jesus behind the curtain to enter heaven, not to mention temple underware, and secret numbers. (How do you know this) But do you honestly believe that God was once a man, who ascended to godhead, got his own planet (Kolob), had physical sex with God the mother, and created spirit beings of Jesus and Satan who are demons? And that you can also ascend to godhood your self and get your own planet some day (Girl – yes). (Me – indignant – That blasphemous – you are in a cult and need to get out. (Girl abruptly – have a nice day / enjoy your workout)

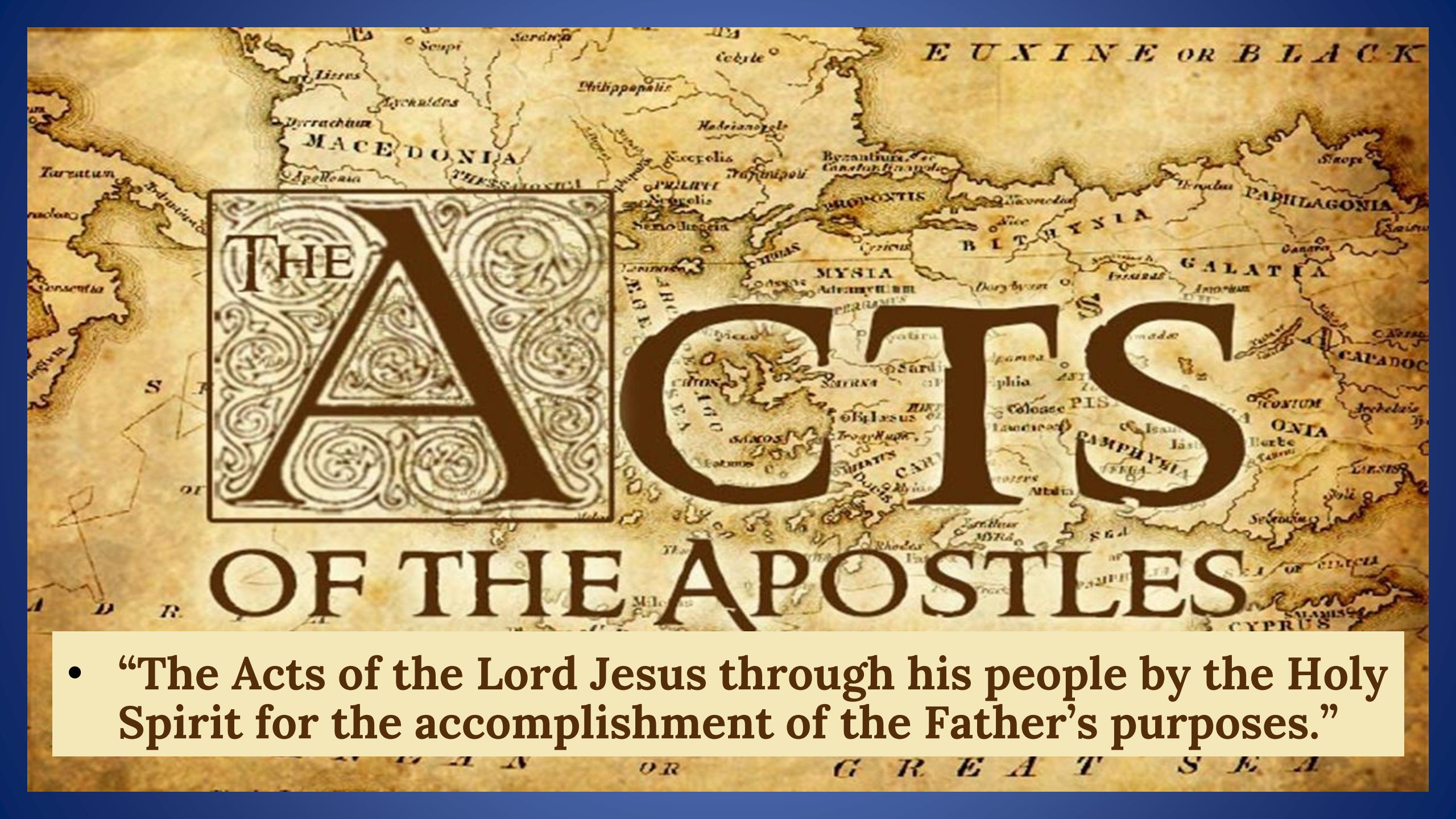
1. Their “Scriptures” – The Book of Mormon, Pearl of Great Price, and Doctrine and Covenants are not compatible/congruent with the Bible – the real/only Scripture

- a. Mormons teach that God the Father was once a man who ascended to godhead, had sex with God the mother, created Jesus as a spirit being who is brothers with Satan. Their belief was summarized by the 5th President of LDS Lorenzo Snow “As man now is, God once was; as God now is, man may become.” is blasphemous (Doctrine and Covenants 76:58; 132:19-20)
- b. The Bible teaches that Jesus is co-equal with God, God the Son of the Holy Trinity, and uncreated as fully divine (John 1:1–5, 14, 18, 36, Colossians 1:13–19, 2:9, 3:31–36, 8:58, 10:30, 11:25–27, Hebrews 1:1–4)

2. Their founder, Joseph Smith was anything but a holy man.

- a. As a young man involved in folk magic, seer stones – 1820 – God the Father/Jesus appeared in a vision – said all churches were corrupt, he was to restore the gospel and be God’s prophet.
- b. Visited by an angel or demon? (Nephi/Moroni) Told to find golden plates buried in countryside.
- c. Guilty of plagiarism (much of the book of Mormon 1830 is copied verbatim from the KJV) 65 days
- d. Justified sexual sin – pedophilia with maid & polygamy (3 wives) bec “an angel threatened by sword”
- e. Lied about golden plates being undecipherable hieroglyphics, googles with urim and thumin, formed a freemason lodge in 1842 (much of the Mormon temple rituals are borrowed from the Masonic Lodge)
- f. Violent man – formed Mormon militias, took over local governments, conflict with local, state, and federal governments. Died in 1844 in a shoot out from prison in Carthage IL. (gun smuggled to him, lynch mob killed him). President Buchanan sent US troops to Utah in 1857 to quell Mormon violence.

3. Their Blasphemy – Doctrine and Covenants 76:58; 132:19–20), as well as in sermons delivered by Joseph Smith. A couplet associated with President Lorenzo Snow, fifth president of the LDS Church, explains that “As man now is, God once was; as God now is, man may become.”



THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

- “The Acts of the Lord Jesus through his people by the Holy Spirit for the accomplishment of the Father’s purposes.”

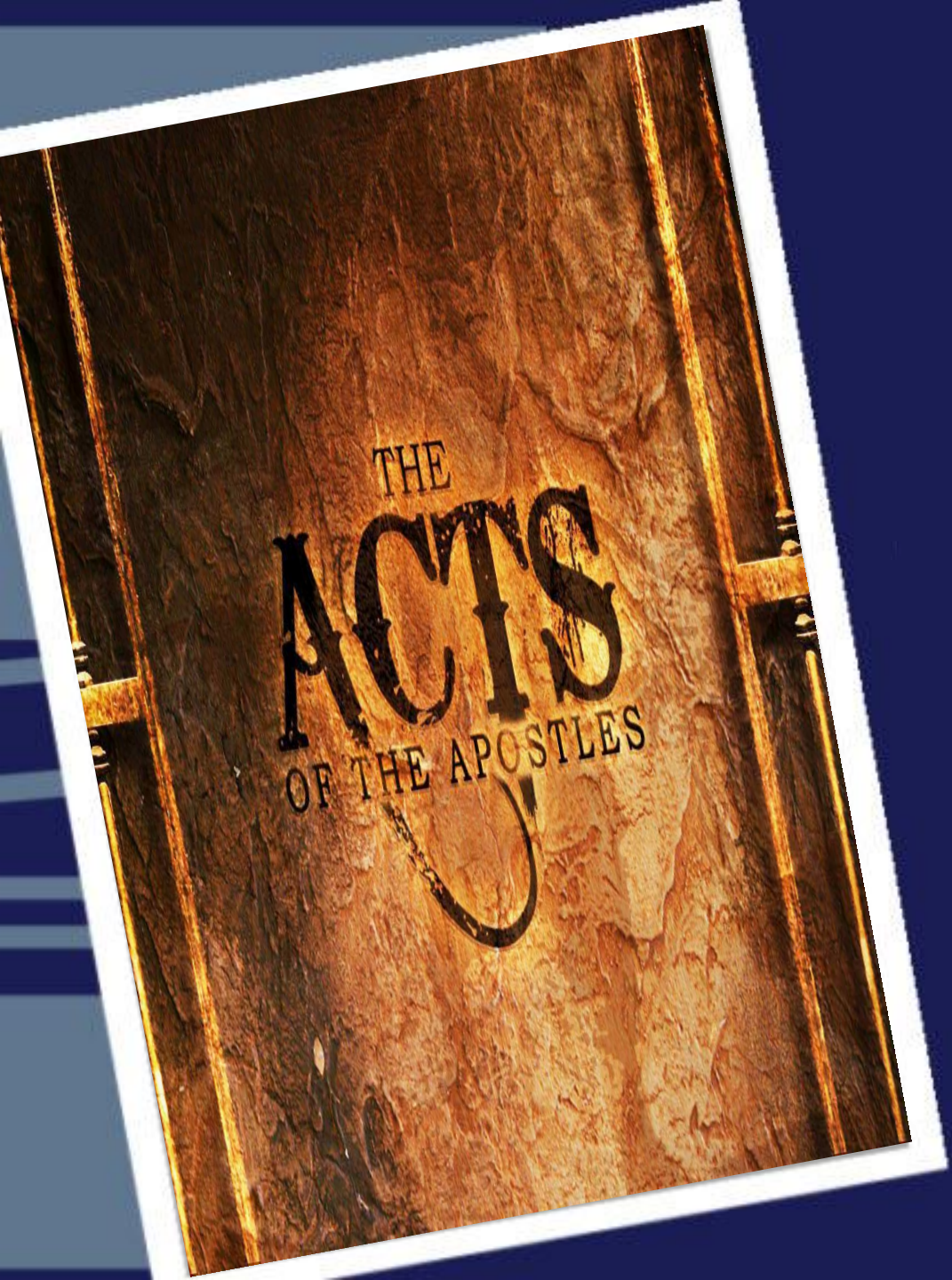
Today's Sermon Title:

Acts 10:33-48

**“The Gospel Peter gave
Cornelius”**

(10 Truths of Evangelism) Pt 2





Review



Acts 10:34-35

34 Ἀνοίξας δὲ Πέτρος τὸ στόμα εἶπεν· ἐπ' ἀληθείας
Having opened but Peter the mouth said over/on/at the time of truth
καταλαμβάνομαι ὅτι οὐκ ἔστιν προσωπολήμπτης ὁ θεός,
I apprehend/understand that not is one showing partiality the God
35 ἀλλ' ἐν παντὶ ἔθνει ὁ φοβούμενος αὐτὸν καὶ
but in all/every nation/ethnos the one fearing him and
ἐργαζόμενος δικαιοσύνην δεκτὸς αὐτῷ ἔστιν.
working righteousness acceptable/welcome to Him is

But Peter having opened the mouth said “In truth I understand that the God is not one showing partiality but in every nation the one fearing Him and working righteousness is welcome/acceptable/pleasing to Him.

BIBLICAL ORDER OF SALVATION (ORDIS SALUTIS)

1. God's Foreknowledge

Romans 8:29, 11:2
1 Peter 1:2
John 6:64, 2:25
Ephesians 1:4-5
Acts 2:23
(with anticipation of man's repentance/faith? or without anticipation of man's repentance/faith? It's a mystery but John 3:18 gives us a leaning)

2. God's Predestination/Election

of us before the creation of the world
Romans 8:29-30, 9:23,
1 Cor. 2:7,
Ephesians 1:4-6, 11, 3:11
1 Peter 2:9
Acts 4:27-28, 13:48

3. God's Effectual Calling

of us from all eternity
Romans 8:28, 9:24, 9:23,
11:29
1 Cor. 1:9, Gal. 1:6, 5:8
2 Timothy 1:9, Heb. 9:15,
1 Peter 3:9

4. God's Patience/Forbearance

Romans 3:25, 2:4,
9:22
1 Tim. 1:16. Eph.
2:7
1 Peter 3:20
2 Peter 3:9
Exodus 34:6, Num.
14:18, Deut. 4:31,
Neh. 9:17, Ps.
86:15, 103:8, 108:4,
145:8, Joel 2:13

5. God's Gracious Provision/Atonement

in sending Jesus as our Substitute/Propitiation
John 3:15-18
Rom. 3:21-26, 5:6-10, 8:32
2 Corinthians 5:19-21
Eph. 1:7, 2:13-18
Col. 1:13-22, 2:13-14
Titus 3:4-5
1 Peter 2:24, 3:18
1 John 2:2, 4:7-10, 19
Heb. 2:17, Luke 18:13

6. God's Drawing/Illumination

Mt. 23:37, Lk. 13:34
John 6:44, 12:32,
16:8, Romans 10:14-21,
Hebrews 3:7-14,
7:25, 2 Thess. 2:14,
Jeremiah 31:3, Hos.
11:4,
2 Cor. 4:4
2 Timothy 1:10
John 1:4-5, 9-13, 18,
3:19, 8;12, 9;5, 12:46

7. Man's Receiving (Repentance & Faith enabled by God) or Rejecting (Disbelief)

Believing the Gospel through Repentance of Sin and Faith in Jesus as Lord

Mark 1:15, Acts 20:21,
Hebrews 6:1, Acts 11:21,
16:31, 18:8, 19:4, Romans
10:9-13***

1 Timothy 1:15-16, Luke
8:12, 2 Thessalonians 2:10
John 1:12, 3:18, Ephesians
1:13

8. God's Justification and Regeneration

Justified – Acts 13:38-39, Rom. 3:20-30, 4:5, 5:1-9, 6:7,
8:1, 8:30-33, 1 Cor. 6:11, Gal. 2:16, 3:8-24, Adoption – John
1:12, 11:52, Romans 8:15-23, 9:4-8, Gal. 4:5, Eph. 1:5, 5:1,
Phil. 2:15, 1 John 3:1-10, 4:4, 5:2, Acts 13:33, 17:29

Sealing – 2 Cor. 1:22, Eph. 1:13, 4:30 Indwelling – Romans
8:9, 1 Cor. 3:16, 6:19-20, 2 Cor. 6:16 Transformation/Born
Again – John 3:3-7, 1 Peter 1:3, 1:23

New Creation – 2 Cor. 5:17 Gal. 6:15

Slaves of Righteousness – Romans 6:6-18, Eph. 6:6, 1 Peter
2:16, Rev. 19:5, 22:3

Regeneration - Titus 3:5-7, 1 Cor. 15:22, Eph. 2:5, Col. 2:13,
1 Peter 3:18

9. God's Sanctification and Perseverance

Rom. 6:19-22, 8:29, 12:2
1 Thess. 4:3-7, Phil. 1:6, 3:10-14
Eph. 4-6 (1:4, 4:11-14, 5:27)
Colossians 1:9-22, 3:1-4:6
2 Thess. 2:13, Heb. 12:2-14
John 10:28

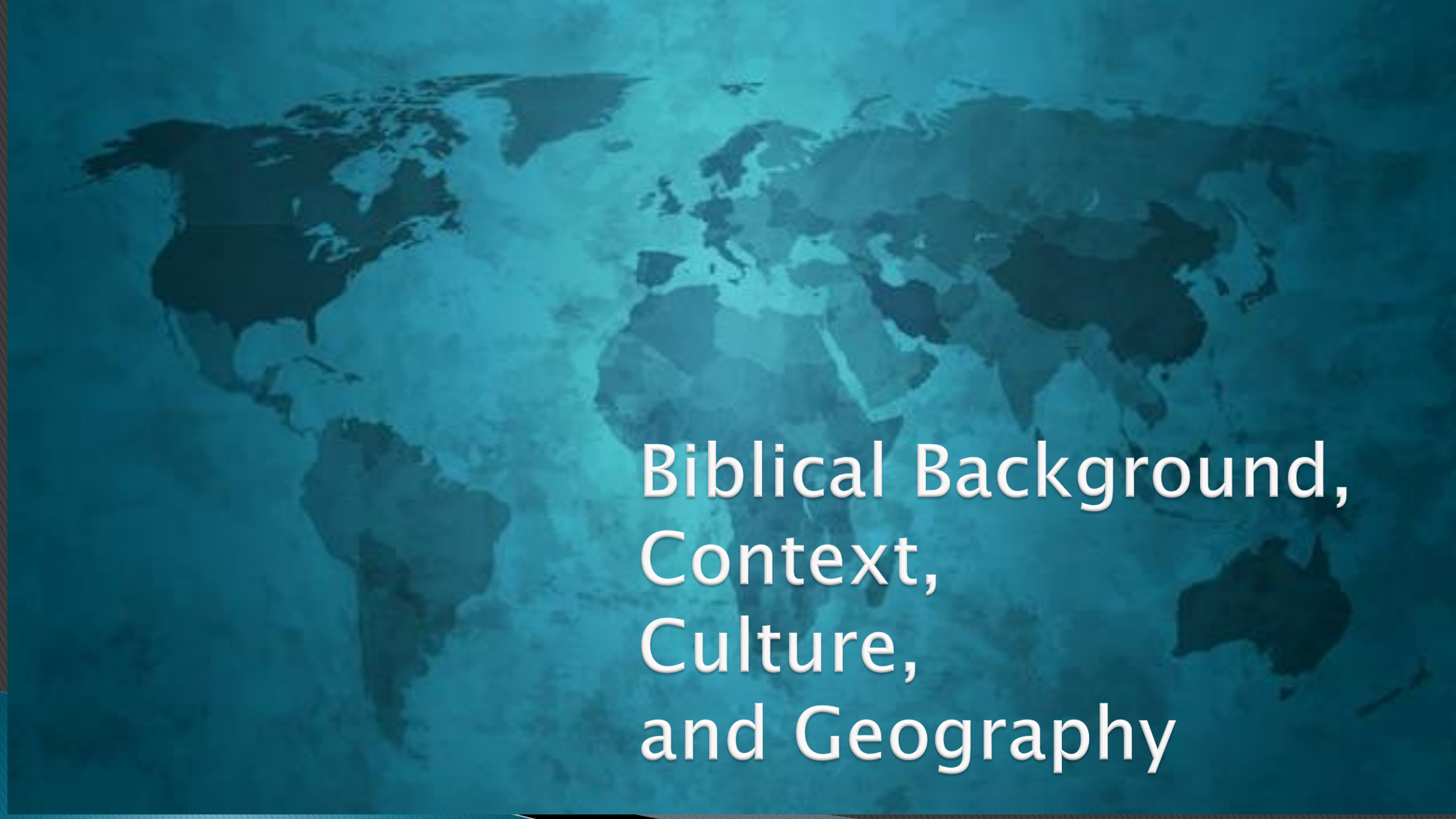
Jude 1:24, Romans 16:25, 1
Peter 5:10, 2 Timothy 3:16-17, 2
Tim. 2:21, Heb. 10:35-39, 13:21

10. God's Glorification

Romans 8:29, Phil. 1:6
John 10:28, 2 John 1:8
Hebrews 11:6, 12:2, 9:15
2 Cor. 4:14, Col. 1:12, 3:23-24

2 Tim. 4:8, 18
1 Cor. 3:8-14, 15:1-58
Ephesians 1:18-23
1 Peter 1:3-9

Matthew 5:12-6:18, 10:41-42
Revelation 11:18, 22:12



Biblical Background,
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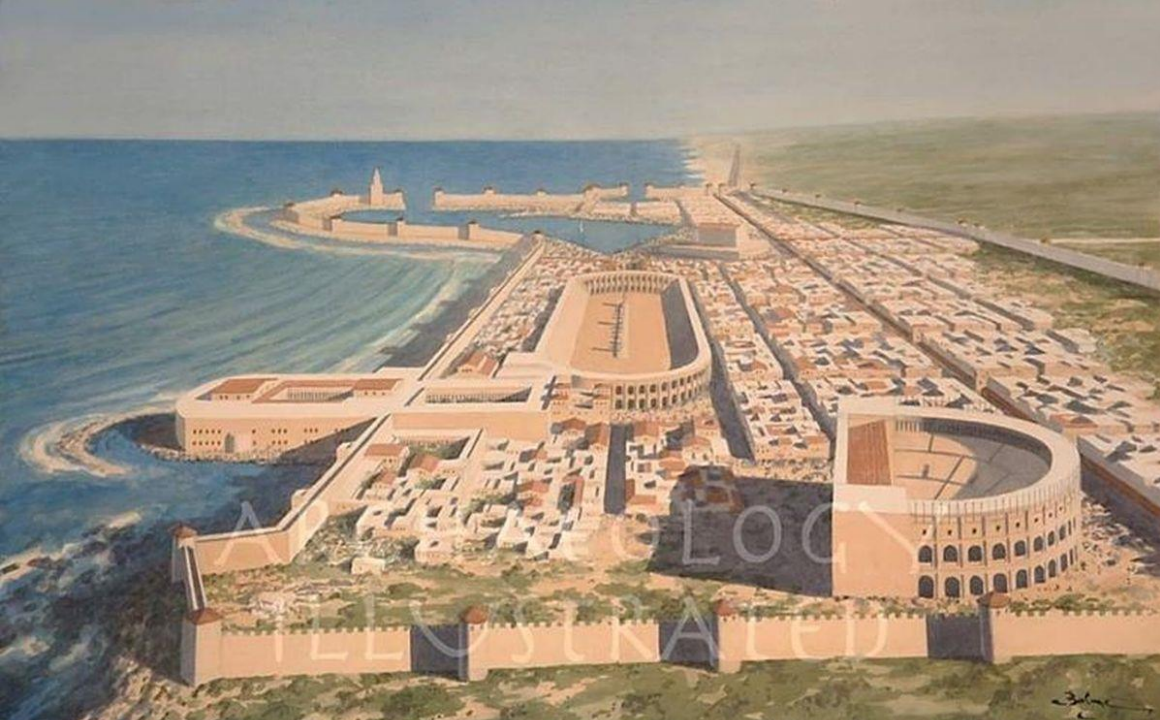


Herod's Harbor

This site was insignificant until Herod the Great began to develop it into a magnificent harbor befitting his kingdom. The harbor was built using materials that would allow the concrete to harden underwater. The forty-acre harbor would accommodate 300 ships, much larger than the modern harbor existing today.

Caesarea Maritima







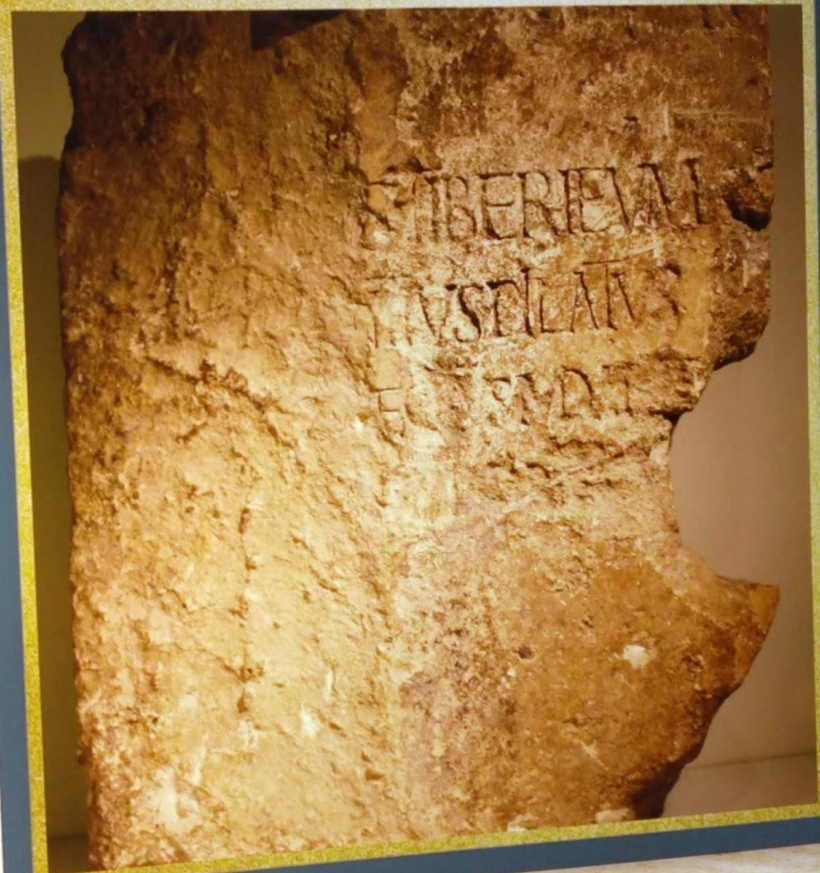


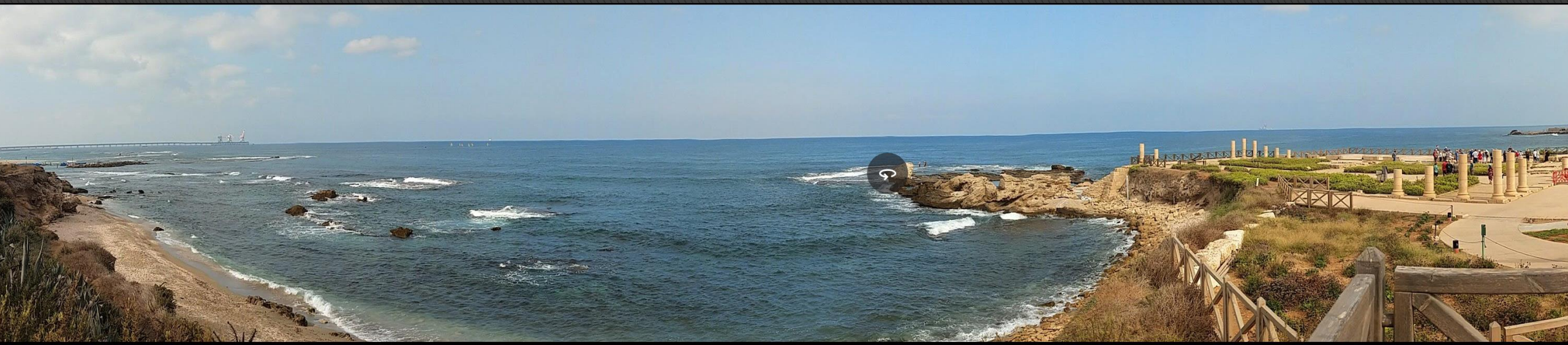
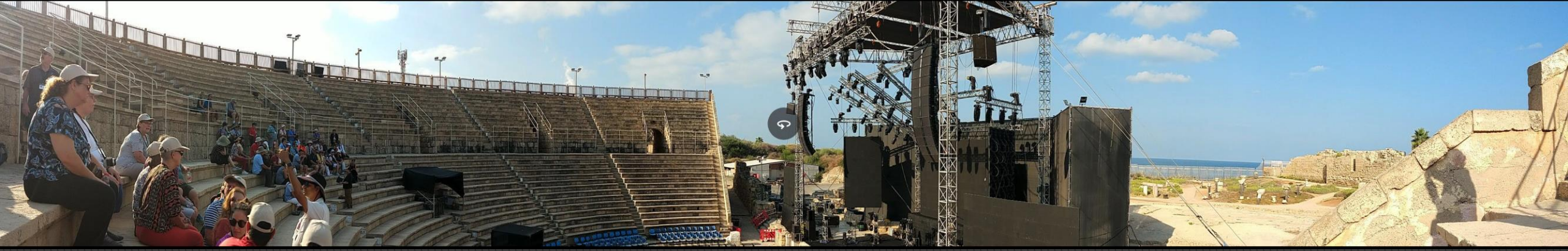


HISTORICAL | ACCURACY

PILATE STONE

Carved limestone found in Caesarea in 1961 that confirms the governorship of Pilate over Judea during the time of Christ.















The Theater

Herod the Great also constructed a theater with a seating capacity of 3,500. According to Josephus, this is where the death of Herod Agrippa occurred, as recounted in [Acts 12](#). The theater was covered with a skin covering (vellum), and visitors probably brought cushions with them to soften the stone seats.





Promontory Palace

Josephus called this a “most magnificent palace” that Herod the Great built on a promontory jutting out into the waters of Caesarea. The pool in the center was nearly Olympic in size, and was filled with fresh water. A statue once stood in the center. Paul may have been imprisoned on the grounds of this palace ([Acts 23:35](#)).



The Aqueduct

The lack of fresh water at Herod's new city required a lengthy aqueduct to bring water from springs at the base of Mount Carmel nearly ten miles away. In order that the water would flow by the pull of gravity, the aqueduct was built on arches and the gradient was carefully measured. Later Hadrian and the Crusaders would attach additional channels to Herod's aqueduct.





Main Points
of the Sermon

10 Truths of
Evangelism

With 5 Scriptures to back up each TRUTH

Acts 10:36a³⁶ "The word which He sent to the sons of Israel, preaching peace through Jesus Christ (He is Lord of all)--

1. The Gospel is a word/message of Peace (reconciliation with God)

- ▶ **Peace** (εἰρήνη *Eirene*: peace, welfare, to be undisturbed Origin: from εἰρω *eiro* (to join))
- ▶ **God of peace, peace from God Verses:** Lk. 2:14, Rom. 1:7, 5:1, 14:17, 15:13, 3, 16:20, 1 Cor. 1:3, 7:15, 14:33, 2 Cor. 1:2, 13:11, Gal. 1:3, 6:16, Eph. 1:2, 6:23, Phil. 1:2, 4:7, 9, Col. 1:2, 1 Thess. 1:1, 5:23, 2 Thess. 1:2, 1 Tim. 1:2, 2 Tim. 1:2, Tit. 1:4, Phlm. 1:3, Heb. 13:20, 1 Pet. 1:2, 2 Pet. 1:2, 2 Jn. 1:3
- ▶ **Peace with God/reconciliation with God verses:**
- ▶ Romans 5:1–11,
- ▶ Col. 1:20–22,
- ▶ 1 Peter 3:18,
- ▶ Eph. 2:13–22,
- ▶ 2 Cor. 5:15–21

Romans 5:1-11

- ▶ Therefore having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom also we have obtained our introduction by faith into this grace in which we stand; and we exult in hope of the glory of God. ... ⁸ But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. ⁹ Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from the *wrath of God* through Him. ¹⁰ For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life. ¹¹ And not only this, but we also exult in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received the reconciliation.

Colossians 1:13-22

- ▶ ¹³ For He delivered us from the domain of darkness, and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. ¹⁵ And He is the image of the invisible God, the first-born of all creation. ¹⁶ For by Him all things were created, *both* in the heavens and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities-- all things have been created by Him and for Him. ¹⁷ And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. ¹⁸ He is also head of the body, the church; and He is the beginning, the first-born from the dead; so that He Himself might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹ For it was the *Father's* good pleasure for all the fulness to dwell in Him, ²⁰ and through Him to reconcile all things to Himself, having made peace through the blood of His cross; through Him, / say, whether things on earth or things in heaven. ²¹ And although you were formerly alienated and hostile in mind, *engaged* in evil deeds, ²² yet He has now reconciled you in His fleshly body through death, in order to present you before Him holy and blameless and beyond reproach—

1 Peter 3:18

- ▶ ¹⁸ For Christ also died for sins once for all, *the* just for *the* unjust, in order that He might bring us to God, having been put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit;

Ephesians 2:13-22

- ▶ ¹³ But now in Christ Jesus you who formerly were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴ For He Himself is our peace, who made both groups into one, and broke down the barrier of the dividing wall, ¹⁵ by abolishing in His flesh the enmity, *which is the Law of commandments contained* in ordinances, that in Himself He might make the two into one new man, *thus* establishing peace, ¹⁶ and might reconcile them both in one body to God through the cross, by it having put to death the enmity. ¹⁷ And He came and preached peace to you who were far away, and peace to those who were near; ¹⁸ for through Him we both have our access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹ So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints, and are of God's household, ²⁰ having been built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus Himself being the corner *stone*, ²¹ in whom the whole building, being fitted together is growing into a holy temple in the Lord; ²² in whom you also are being built together into a dwelling of God in the Spirit.

2 Corinthians 5:15-21

- ▶ ¹⁵ and He died for all, that they who live should no longer live for themselves, but for Him who died and rose again on their behalf. ¹⁶ ...¹⁷ Therefore if any man is in Christ, *he is* a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come. ¹⁸ Now all *these* things are from God, who reconciled us to Himself through Christ, and gave us the ministry of reconciliation, ¹⁹ namely, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and He has committed to us the word of reconciliation. ²⁰ Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were entreating through us; we beg you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. ²¹ He made Him who knew no sin *to be* sin on our behalf, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

2. Jesus is the Christ (the anointed/chosen one, Messiah–Deliverer/Redeemer)

- ▶ **Christ** – Χριστός *Christos*: the Anointed One, Messiah, Christ
- ▶ משיח *mashiach*: *anointed* (Deliverer, Redeemer, Savior, Prophet like Moses, Priest in the order of Melchizedek, King in the line of David)
- ▶ “Lord Jesus Christ” 63 verses in NT
- ▶ “Jesus Christ” 134 verses in the NT
- ▶ **Jesus is the Christ verses**: Mt 12:40, 16:15–21, 26:63, Mark 8:29–31, 9:31, 10:34, Lk. 9:20–22, 22:67, 24:46, John 10:24, 11:27, Acts 2:31, 3:18, 16:31, 17:2–3, 26:23

Matthew 16:15-17 (Mark 8:27-29, Luke 9:18-20) (Son of the living God)

- ▶ ¹⁵ He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" ¹⁶ And Simon Peter answered and said, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God." ¹⁷ And Jesus answered and said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Barjona, because flesh and blood did not reveal *this* to you, but My Father who is in heaven.

Matthew 26:63-64 (Son of God / Son of Man)

- ▶ ⁶³ But Jesus kept silent. And the high priest said to Him, "I adjure You by the living God, that You tell us whether You are the Christ, the Son of God." ⁶⁴ Jesus said to him, "You have said it *yourself*; nevertheless I tell you, hereafter you shall see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of Power, and coming on the clouds of heaven."
- ▶ Daniel 7:13-14 ¹³ "I kept looking in the night visions, And behold, with the clouds of heaven One like a Son of Man was coming, And He came up to the Ancient of Days And was presented before Him. ¹⁴ "And to Him was given dominion, Glory and a kingdom, That all the peoples, nations, and *men of every language* Might serve Him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion Which will not pass away; And His kingdom is one Which will not be destroyed.

Luke 23:35 (God's Chosen One)

- ▶ ³⁵ And the people stood by, looking on. And even the rulers were sneering at Him, saying, "He saved others; let Him save Himself if this is the Christ of God, His Chosen One."

John 1:40-41, 11:25-27 (Messiah, Son of God)

- ▶ Jn. 1:40-41 ⁴⁰ One of the two who heard John *speak*, and followed Him, was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. ⁴¹ He found first his own brother Simon, and said to him, "We have found the Messiah " (which translated means Christ).
- ▶ Jn. 11:25-27 ²⁵ Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in Me shall live even if he dies, ²⁶ and everyone who lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?" ²⁷ She said to Him, "Yes, Lord; I have believed that You are the Christ, the Son of God, *even* He who comes into the world."

Acts 2:31, 3:18, 10:42–43, 16:31, 17:2–3, 26:23

(The Christ will suffer, rise, be exalted, return, judge/restore all things)

- ▶ **The Christ would Rise from the Dead** - Acts 2:31-33 ³¹ he (David) looked ahead and spoke of the resurrection of the Christ, that He was neither abandoned to Hades, nor did His flesh suffer decay. ³² "This Jesus God raised up again, to which we are all witnesses. ³³ "Therefore having been exalted to the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He has poured forth this which you both see and hear.
- ▶ **The Christ would first suffer but then restore all things, which is what Jesus did and will do** - Acts 3:18-21 ¹⁸ "But the things which God announced beforehand by the mouth of all the prophets, that His Christ should suffer, He has thus fulfilled. ¹⁹ "Repent therefore and return, that your sins may be wiped away, in order that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord; ²⁰ and that He may send Jesus, the Christ appointed for you, ²¹ whom heaven must receive until *the* period of restoration of all things about which God spoke by the mouth of His holy prophets from ancient time.
- ▶ **Jesus as the Messiah/Christ will judge the living and the dead at His 2nd coming** - Acts 10:42-43 solemnly to testify that this is the One who has been appointed by God as Judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³ "Of Him all the prophets bear witness that through His name everyone who believes in Him receives forgiveness of sins."
- ▶ **Christ is not Jesus' last name but His role/position/authority as THE ONE sent from God** - Acts 16:30-31 "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" ³¹ And they said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus CHRIST, and you shall be saved, you and your household."
- ▶ **Jesus is the Christ/Messiah sent from God and the Son of God** - Acts 17:2-3 ² And according to Paul's custom, he went to them, and for three Sabbaths reasoned with them from the Scriptures, ³ explaining and giving evidence that the Christ had to suffer and rise again from the dead, and *saying*, "This Jesus whom I am proclaiming to you is the Christ."
- ▶ **Jesus as the Christ/Messiah by His resurrection gives light/hope to both Jews and Gentiles** - Acts 26:23 the Christ was to suffer, *and* that by reason of *His* resurrection from the dead He would be the first to proclaim light both to the *Jewish* people and to the Gentiles."

3. Jesus is Lord (King of kings, Lord of lords)

- ▶ **Lord** – κύριος *kurios*: lord, master Origin: from κῦρος *kuros* (authority)
- ▶ Jesus is Lord of all – the good confession is an oath, a promise, commitment, covenant that asks Jesus to be your personal LORD
- ▶ “Lord Jesus is 101 verses in the NT
- ▶ The good confession is “Jesus is Lord” – Romans 10:9, 1 Cor. 12:3
- ▶ You/me/everyone must confess Jesus is Lord – Phil. 2:11
- ▶ Even Jesus confessed He was Lord/King/God before Pilate – 1 Tim. 6:12-13 / John 18:36-37
- ▶ Jesus is King of kings and Lord of lords – 1 Timothy 6:15, Revelation 17:14, 19:16

Romans 10:9-13

- ▶ ⁹ that if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved; ¹⁰ for with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation. ¹¹ For the Scripture says, "WHOEVER BELIEVES IN HIM WILL NOT BE DISAPPOINTED." ¹² For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same *Lord* is Lord of all, abounding in riches for all who call on Him; ¹³ for "WHOEVER WILL CALL ON THE NAME OF THE LORD WILL BE SAVED."

1 Corinthians 12:3

- ▶ ³ Therefore I make known to you that no one speaking by the Spirit of God says, "Jesus is accursed"; and no one can say, "Jesus is Lord," except by the Holy Spirit.

Philippians 2:5-11

- ▶ ⁵ Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷ but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond-servant, *and* being made in the likeness of men. ⁸ Being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹ For this reason also, God highly exalted Him, and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name, ¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus EVERY KNEE WILL BOW, of those who are in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and that every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

1 Timothy 6:11-16

- ▶ ¹¹ But flee from these things, you man of God, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, perseverance *and* gentleness. ¹² Fight the good fight of faith; take hold of the eternal life to which you were called, and you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. ¹³ I charge you in the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who testified the good confession before Pontius Pilate, ¹⁴ that you keep the commandment without stain or reproach until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵ which He will bring about at the proper time-- He who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, ¹⁶ who alone possesses immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no man has seen or can see. To Him *be* honor and eternal dominion! Amen.

Revelation 17:14, 19:16

- ▶ Rev. 17:14 ¹⁴ "These will wage war against the Lamb, and the Lamb will overcome them, because He is Lord of lords and King of kings, and those who are with Him *are the* called and chosen and faithful."
- ▶ Rev. 19:12-16 ¹² His eyes *are* a flame of fire, and on His head *are* many diadems; and He has a name written *on Him* which no one knows except Himself. ¹³ *He is* clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God. ¹⁴ And the armies which are in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white *and* clean, were following Him on white horses. ¹⁵ From His mouth comes a sharp sword, so that with it He may strike down the nations, and He will rule them with a rod of iron; and He treads the wine press of the fierce wrath of God, the Almighty. ¹⁶ And on His robe and on His thigh He has a name written, "KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS."

Acts 10:37-39a ³⁷ you yourselves know the thing which took place throughout all Judea, starting from Galilee, after the baptism which John proclaimed. ³⁸ "You know of Jesus of Nazareth, how God anointed Him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and how He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him. ³⁹ "We are witnesses of all the things He did both in the land of the Jews and in Jerusalem.

4. Jesus' perfect life = imputed righteousness/right standing with God

- **Anointed by the Holy Spirit** (πνεύματι ἁγίῳ)
- **Power** (δύναμις *dunamis*: miraculous *power, might, strength*)
- **Doing good** (healing ALL oppressed by the devil) **εὐεργετέω** *euergeteo*: to do good, working good/good works
- **God was with Him** (ὅτι ὁ θεὸς ἦν μετ' αὐτοῦ)
- **All the things He did in Israel/Jerusalem** (πάντων ὧν ἐποίησεν)
- **Sinlessness of Jesus verses**: Heb. 4:15–16, 7:26–28, 2 Cor. 5:21, 1 Peter 2:22, 1 John 3:5, Acts 3:14, 7:52, 22:14 (the RIGHTEOUS ONE)

Hebrews 4:15-16

- ▶ ¹⁵ For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as *we are*, yet without sin. ¹⁶ Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Hebrews 7:26-28

- ▶ ²⁶ For it was fitting for us to have such a high priest, holy, innocent, undefiled, separated from sinners and exalted above the heavens; ²⁷ who does not need daily, like those high priests, to offer up sacrifices, first for His own sins and then for the *sins* of the people, because this He did once for all when He offered up Himself. ²⁸ For the Law appoints men as high priests who are weak, but the word of the oath, which came after the Law, *appoints* a Son, made perfect forever.

2 Corinthians 5:21

- ▶ ²¹ He made Him who knew no sin *to be* sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

1 Peter 2:21-24

- ▶ ²¹ For you have been called for this purpose, since Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example for you to follow in His steps, ²² WHO COMMITTED NO SIN, NOR WAS ANY DECEIT FOUND IN HIS MOUTH; ²³ and while being reviled, He did not revile in return; while suffering, He uttered no threats, but kept entrusting *Himself* to Him who judges righteously; ²⁴ and He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you were healed.

1 John 3:5

- ▶ ⁵ You know that He appeared in order to take away sins; and in Him there is no sin.

Acts 10:39b They also put Him to death by hanging Him on a cross.

5. Jesus' sacrificial death on the cross = payment for our sins

(His blood paid to God the Father to satisfy His justice/wrath so we have total forgiveness of sins past, present, and future)

- **The tree:** (ἀνεῖλαν κρεμάσαντες ἐπὶ ξύλου) (put to death, hang upon the tree)
- **Cross/died for our sins verses:** 1 Pet. 2:24, 3:18, Col. 2:13–15, Is. 53:4–5, 1 Cor. 15:3–4, Gal. 3:13, Heb. 9:28
- **Blood is the source verses:** 1 John 1:7, Ephesians 1:7, Revelation 1:5, Romans 3:25, 5:8–9, 1 Peter 1:19

1 Corinthians 15:3-4 / 1 Peter 2:24

- ▶ ³ For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴ and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures,
- ▶ ²⁴ and He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you were healed.

Colossians 2:13-15

- ▶ ¹³ When you were dead in your transgressions and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He made you alive together with Him, having forgiven us all our transgressions, ¹⁴ having canceled out the certificate of debt consisting of decrees against us, which was hostile to us; and He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross. ¹⁵ When He had disarmed the rulers and authorities, He made a public display of them, having triumphed over them through Him.

Isaiah 53:4-6

- ▶ ⁴ Surely our griefs He Himself bore, And our sorrows He carried; Yet we ourselves esteemed Him stricken, Smitten of God, and afflicted. ⁵ But He was pierced through for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; The chastening for our well-being *fell* upon Him, And by His scourging we are healed. ⁶ All of us like sheep have gone astray, Each of us has turned to his own way; But the LORD has caused the iniquity of us all To fall on Him.

Galatians 3:13-14

- ▶ ¹³ Christ redeemed us from the curse of the Law, having become a curse for us-- for it is written, "CURSED IS EVERYONE WHO HANGS ON A TREE"-- ¹⁴ in order that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham might come to the Gentiles, so that we would receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

Hebrews 9:27-28

- ▶ ²⁷ And inasmuch as it is appointed for men to die once and after this *comes* judgment, ²⁸ so Christ also, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time for salvation without *reference to sin*, to those who eagerly await Him.

Ephesians 1:7-8

- ▶ ⁷ In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace ⁸ which He lavished on us.

1 John 1:7

- ▶ ⁷ but if we walk in the Light as He Himself is in the Light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin.

Revelation 1:5-6

- ▶ ⁵ and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To Him who loves us and released us from our sins by His blood-- ⁶ and He has made us *to be* a kingdom, priests to His God and Father-- to Him *be* the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Romans 5:8-9

- ▶ But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. ⁹ Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from the wrath *of God* through Him.

Romans 3:24-25

- ▶ ²⁴ being justified as a gift by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus; ²⁵ whom God displayed publicly as a propitiation in His blood through faith.

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Application



1 Peter 1:17-21 17 If you address as Father the One who impartially judges according to each one's work, conduct yourselves in fear during the time of your stay on earth; 18 knowing that you were not redeemed with perishable things like silver or gold from your futile way of life inherited from your forefathers, 19 but with precious blood, as of a lamb unblemished and spotless, the blood of Christ. 20 For He was foreknown before the foundation of the world, but has appeared in these last times **for the sake of you** 21 who through Him are believers in God, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

6. Jesus' victorious resurrection = eternal life (promise/guarantee of our resurrection from the dead)

- ▶ **Raised on the 3rd day** (ἐγείρω *egeiro*: *to waken, to raise up*)
- ▶ **Resurrection of Jesus Chapters:** Mt. 28, Mark 16, Luke 24, John 20
- ▶ **Why is the resurrection foundational to Christianity?)**
- ▶ (1 Corinthians 15:12–20)

1 Corinthians 15:12-20

- ▶ ¹² Now if Christ is preached, that He has been raised from the dead, how do some among you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? ¹³ But if there is no resurrection of the dead, not even Christ has been raised; ¹⁴ and if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is vain, your faith also is vain. ¹⁵ Moreover we are even found *to be* false witnesses of God, because we testified against God that He raised Christ, whom He did not raise, if in fact the dead are not raised. ¹⁶ For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised; ¹⁷ and if Christ has not been raised, your faith is worthless; you are still in your sins. ¹⁸ Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. ¹⁹ If we have hoped in Christ in this life only, we are of all men most to be pitied. ²⁰ But now Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who are asleep.

Romans 1:4

- ▶ ⁴ who was declared the Son of God with power by the resurrection from the dead, according to the Spirit of holiness, Jesus Christ our Lord,

Acts 2:24, 3:14-15, 4:10, 5:30-31, 13:30-37

- ▶ ²⁴ "But God raised Him up again, putting an end to the agony of death, since it was impossible for Him to be held in its power.,
- ▶ ¹⁴ "But you disowned the Holy and Righteous One and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, ¹⁵ but put to death the Prince of life, *the one whom God raised from the dead, a fact to which we are witnesses.*
- ▶ ¹⁰ let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead—
- ▶ ³⁰ "The God of our fathers raised up Jesus, whom you had put to death by hanging Him on a cross. ³¹ "He is the one whom God exalted to His right hand as a Prince and a Savior, to grant repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins.

Romans 8:11

- ▶ ¹¹ But 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.

John 10:17-18

- ▶ ¹⁷ "For this reason the Father loves Me, because I lay down My life so that I may take it again. ¹⁸ "No one has taken it away from Me, but I lay it down on My own initiative. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This commandment I received from My Father."

Acts 10:40b-41 and granted that He become visible, ⁴¹ not to all the people, but to witnesses who were chosen beforehand by God, *that is*, to us who ate and drank with Him after He arose from the dead.

7. Jesus' post resurrection appearances (eye-witness testimony that is evidence/proof of Jesus' deity and eternity)

- ▶ **Visible/appeared** – ἐμφανής *emphanes*: manifest
- ▶ Eyewitnesses of the Resurrection verses: 1 Cor. 15:3–8
- ▶ **Why is eye-witness testimony vital to our faith?**
- ▶ 1 John 1:1–3, 2 Peter 1:18–21
- ▶ **everything confirmed 2–3 witnesses** – Deut. 17:6, 19:15, Matt. 18:16, 2 Cor. 13:1, 1 Tim. 5:19, Heb. 10:28)

1 Corinthians 15:3-8

- ▶ ³ For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴ and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, ⁵ and that He appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶ After that He appeared to more than five hundred brethren at one time, most of whom remain until now, but some have fallen asleep; ⁷ then He appeared to James, then to all the apostles; ⁸ and last of all, as to one untimely born, He appeared to me also.

Acts 10:42 ⁴² "And He ordered us to preach to the people, and solemnly to testify that this is the One who has been appointed by God as Judge of the living and the dead.

8. Jesus' Great Commission (we ALL are commanded by our Lord to preach the gospel to everyone and make disciples of all ethnicities/nations and to WARN people of the coming wrath/judgment of God through Jesus as the Judge of the Living and the Dead!)

- ▶ **Preach** – κηρύσσω *kerusso: to be a herald, proclaim*
- ▶ **Testify** – διαμαρτύρομαι *diamarturomai: to affirm solemnly*
- ▶ **Warn of Judgment** – Jesus is coming back to judge the living and the dead
 - **Appointed by God** (ὀρίζω *horizo: to mark off by boundaries, to determine*)
 - **Judge of the Living and the Dead** (κριτής *krites: a judge*)
 - **Great Commission Verses:** Mt. 28:18–20, Mk. 16:15, Lk. 24:47–48, John 20:31, Acts 1:8, Romans 10:14–17

Matthew 28:18-20

- ▶ ¹⁸ And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. ¹⁹ "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

Mark 16:15-16

- ▶ ¹⁵ And He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation. ¹⁶ "He who has believed and has been baptized shall be saved; but he who has disbelieved shall be condemned.

Luke 24:45-48

- ▶ ⁴⁵ Then He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, ⁴⁶ and He said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ would suffer and rise again from the dead the third day, ⁴⁷ and that repentance for forgiveness of sins would be proclaimed in His name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ "You are witnesses of these things.

John 20:30-31

- ▶ ³⁰ Therefore many other signs Jesus also performed in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹ but these have been written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing you may have life in His name.

Acts 1:7-8

- ▶ ⁷ He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or epochs which the Father has fixed by His own authority; ⁸ but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth."

Romans 10:14-15

- ▶ ¹⁴ How then will they call on Him in whom they have not believed? How will they believe in Him whom they have not heard? And how will they hear without a preacher? ¹⁵ How will they preach unless they are sent? Just as it is written, "HOW BEAUTIFUL ARE THE FEET OF THOSE WHO BRING GOOD NEWS OF GOOD THINGS!"

Acts 10:43 ⁴³ "Of Him all the prophets bear witness that through His name everyone who believes in Him receives forgiveness of sins."

9. Jesus' awesome gospel/promise of salvation is to EVERYONE...everyone who believes receives forgiveness of sins

- ▶ **Believes** – πιστεύω *pisteuo*: to believe, entrust
- ▶ **Receives** – λαμβάνω *lambano*: to take, receive
- ▶ **Forgiveness** – ἄφεσις *aphesis*: dismissal, release, fig. *pardon*,
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- **Christ died for everyone verses**: John 1:29, 4:42, 1 John 2:2, John 3:16–18, Rom. 8:32, 1 Tim. 2:4–6, Heb. 2:9, 2 Cor. 5:15–21, 1 Peter 3:18, 2 Peter 3:9, Ezek. 18:23, 32, Titus 2:11
- **Everyone is invited to salvation verses**: Mt. 10:32, 16:24–25, Luke 6:47–48, 12:8–9, 14:11, John 5:24, 6:40, 9:31 / Acts 10:34–35, John 11:25–26, 12:46, Acts 2:21, 2:38 / Joel 2:32, Acts 10:43, Romans 10:4, 9–13, Gal. 3:22, 1 John 4:15

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10. Jesus' gift/baptism of the Holy Spirit is given as immediate proof and validation of salvation (genuine belief/repentance/faith in Jesus as Lord)

- ▶ **Holy Spirit fell upon** – ἐπιπίπτω *epiipipto*: to fall upon
- ▶ **Poured out** – ἐκχύννω *ekchunno*: to pour out, fig. *to bestow*
- ▶ **Gift** – δωρεά *dorea*: a gift
- ▶ **Tongues (languages)** – γλῶσσα *glossa*: the tongue, a language
- ▶ **Magnifying** – μεγαλύνω *megaluno*: to make or *declare great*
- ▶ **Verses on indwelling and seal of the Holy Spirit:** John 14:16–17, 15:26, 16:7–15, Romans 8:9, Eph. 1:13–14, 4:30, 1 Cor. 3:16, 2 Cor. 1:22, 6:16–19, 12:9, Eph. 2:22, 3:17, 2 Tim. 1:14, Titus 3:3–7

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11. Believer's Baptism in water should follow SOON after conversion/making the good confession/commitment (Jesus is Lord) as EVIDENCE/proof of salvation

- ▶ **Baptized in water** (βαπτίζω *baptizo*: to dip, sink, immerse, envelope/overwhelm completely)
- ▶ **Who have received the Holy Spirit** (λαμβάνω *lambano*: to take, receive)
- ▶ **Baptized in the NAME of Jesus Christ** (ὄνομα *onoma*: a name, authority, cause)

Verses on Believer's Baptism:

- ▶ **Command to baptized:** Matt. 28:18–20 (Why does God command believers to be baptized in water?)
- ▶ **Symbolism of Baptism** (Jesus life, death, resurrection, spiritual rebirth, spiritual cleansing)
- ▶ Rom. 6:3–11, Acts 22:16 (Why should a believing child wait to be baptized if they don't yet comprehend the symbolism of baptism?)
- ▶ **John the Baptist's baptism of repentance** (preparation for salvation)
- ▶ Matt. 3:11, Mk. 1:8, Lk. 3:16, Jn. 1:26, 1:31, 1:33, 3:23, Acts 1:5, 11:16
- ▶ **Jesus' baptism** (why do you think Jesus was baptized?)
- ▶ Matt. 3:13–17, Mk. 1:9–11, Lk. 3:21–22
- ▶ **Jesus' disciple's baptizing** (why do you think the disciples rather than Jesus did the baptizing?)
- ▶ Jn. 3:22, Jn. 4:1–2
- ▶ **10 examples of Believer's Baptism in water in the book of Acts:**
- ▶ Acts 2:41, Acts 8:12, Acts 8:13, Acts 8:35–39, Acts 9:18, Acts 10:47–48 Acts 16:14–15, Acts 16:33, Acts 18:8, Acts 19:1–7

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