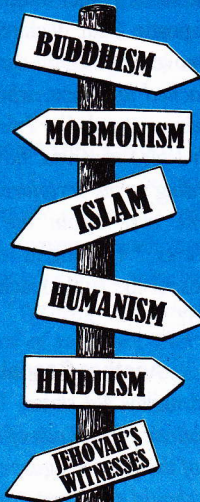


HAVE YOU BELIEVED



ANOTHER GOSPEL?

The Bible teaches that the gospel is Jesus Christ's death, burial, and resurrection for our sins. According to God's Word, placing your complete trust in Christ's atoning death is the only way to Heaven. *"Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."* (John 14:6) Although this message is clearly presented in the Bible, there are many people who teach other ways to God. Have you believed another gospel?

The word gospel means, "good news or glad tidings." The apostle Paul declared in 1 Corinthians 15:1; 3-4, *"Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand; For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures:"* Trusting in Jesus Christ for your salvation is the gospel the Bible teaches. Have you believed another gospel?

Another Gospel Deceives Your Mind

2 Corinthians 4:4 states, *"In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them."* Many people are blinded by vain teachings. Ephesians 5:6 states *"Let no man deceive you with vain words:"* The word vain means "having no real value; worthless, empty." The only message of real value is that salvation comes by faith in the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Have you believed another gospel?

Another Gospel Damns Your Soul

Peter asks in 1 Peter 4:17b, *"... what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God?"* God gives the answer in 2 Thessalonians 1:8-9. *"In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction..."* If you

your good deeds, church background, or obedience to a set of religious rules will help you escape this punishment, you are not obeying the gospel of Jesus Christ. Have you believed another gospel?

Another Gospel Denies God's Word

Paul states in Galatians 1:7-8; 11, "...*there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Christ. But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. But I certify you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached of me is not after man.*"

The Bible clearly teaches that a person must believe the gospel to go to Heaven. To teach any other way of salvation is to deny God's Word. Have you believed another gospel?

The Gospel of Jesus Christ Gives Assurance of Eternal Life

Paul stated in Romans 1:16, "*For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth.*" Friend, God does not want you to go to Hell when you die. In fact, the greatest gift ever given was the gospel, because it shows God's love for you. The gospel reveals that even though you are a sinner and deserve an eternal punishment in hell, you can be forgiven if you will believe God's Word and place your complete trust in Christ's atoning death. God promises in Romans 10:9-10, "*That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead,*

For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation."

Will you agree with God that you need to be saved and receive Jesus Christ as your personal Saviour? If you will, pray something like this: "Dear Heavenly Father, I know I am a sinner and need your forgiveness. I believe that Jesus died for my sin. I am willing to turn from sin. I now ask Jesus Christ to come into my heart and life as my personal Saviour. I am willing, by God's grace, to follow and obey Christ as the Lord of my heart and life. Amen."

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IS SOMETHING
MISSING
IN YOUR LIFE?

WHAT IS MISSING?

My friend, are you dead or alive? Do you ever feel that there is something important missing from your life? A vital part of your existence that isn't there, and has never been there? An empty void and longing, deep within the depths of your soul, crying out to be filled?

If you do not know the Lord Jesus Christ on a personal basis, that is the problem. God, the giver and sustainer of life, is missing from your life. The Bible says that without Jesus Christ as your personal Saviour, you are "*dead in trespasses and sins.*" (Ephesians 2:1b)

HOW DID IT HAPPEN?

In the Garden of Eden, before man's fall, Adam and Eve were alive, that is, they were "spiritually" alive. They walked in perfection, and oneness with God. "*And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.*" (Genesis 2:16-17)

On that day, when they disobeyed God and ate of the fruit, they died a "spiritual" death. Sin entered in, and they were separated from God. Since then, every one of us has been born into sin. "*Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:*" (Romans 5:12) "*Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me.*" (Psalm 51:5) "*As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one:*" (Romans 3:10) "*For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;*" (Romans 3:23)

The results of sin are a spiritual death, a physical death, and if you die without Jesus Christ, an eternal death. This is eternal separation from God in hell fire.

WHAT HAS BEEN DONE ABOUT IT?

Jesus Christ, the God-man, was not a partaker of man's sinful bloodline. He was perfect, sinless, righteous, holy, born of a virgin, and God in the flesh. *"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made."* (John 1:1-3) *"And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth."* (John 1:14)

He came to seek and to save that which was lost. He offered Himself the perfect, sinless sacrifice unto God, to redeem man from the sin which separates him from God. He came to give life back unto men. *"...I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly."* (John 10:10) *"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. Verily, verily, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live."* (John 5:24-25)

NOW IT IS UP TO YOU.

My friend, do you hear His voice calling you through these Scriptures? He wants to breathe life into you. This receiving of new life from Jesus Christ is what He called

being born again. We see this in the Bible when Jesus tells Nicodemus, *"...Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God...That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit."* (John 3:3,6)

My friend, repent! Turn to God from your sin, and embrace the Lord Jesus Christ by faith and be born of God. God promised in Romans 10:9, *"That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved."* When you turn to God, the missing link will be found, and the empty void will be filled. You will be one with God. He will be your Father, and you will be His son. You can rejoice with us in this great truth forever. Amen. *"He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life."* (I John 5:12)

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Who is the Real Biblical JESUS?

Many men have been given the name "Jesus." In Bible times, the naming of children was more serious than today. Today, parents name their child after a loved one or friend, or perhaps a name they think is pretty. In Bible times, children were given names which related to certain things, especially those in reference to God. The Apostle Paul warned in 2 Corinthians 11:4 about the possibility of another Jesus being preached. We desire to present unto you the Jesus of the Bible. No person except Jesus Christ could fulfill the meaning of the name "Jesus," because of **who** and **what** He is.

HE IS THE SON OF GOD.

"...The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God." (Luke 1:35) "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved." (John 3:16-17) He also is God the Son! "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God...And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us..." (John 1:1,14) "And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh..." (1 Timothy 3:16)

HE IS THE SACRIFICE DEMANDED.

He is the only one God would accept. The Old Testament sets forth the principle that the only means of acceptance with God is through sacrifice. *"...we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. And every priest standeth daily ministering and offering oftentimes the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins: But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God;" (Hebrews 10:10-12) This implies that His work as Priest is accepted and His sacrifice is complete!*

HE IS THE SUBSTITUTE.

When our first parents willfully disobeyed the Lord, they lost their position and privilege of relationship with Him. Thus, Adam brought the consequences of that disobedience upon himself and all his lineage; for Adam was created in the image of God (Genesis 1:27), but Adam's lineage was begotten in his image, the image of the disobedient--the offender. (Genesis

Therefore, something or someone else must suffer the consequences of that disobedience in order for restoration to that standing prior to the act of disobedience. It could not be them (first parents) because they were guilty and the consequence of that guiltiness was death. (Genesis 2:17) The sufferer for the offence must be innocent of any offence before it (he) could suffer in behalf of another. It is said of Jesus, *"Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth...but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin."* (1 Peter 2:22; Hebrews 4:15)

God in His mercy made Adam and Eve coats of skins, and clothed them, which implies the slaying of an animal. (Genesis 3:21) Not only was there the dying, but the shedding of blood as well. This was all a type of Jesus Christ, who would be killed and His blood shed for offenders (sinners). Many animals died throughout the Old Testament era in behalf of an offender of God's Law. The author of Hebrews tells us, *"For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins...Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he (Jesus) entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us."* (Hebrews 10:4; 9:12)

HE IS THE SAVIOUR.

The name Jesus means "salvation of God," or, "God our Saviour." When the angel informed Joseph that the child his espoused wife Mary was to give birth to was to be named "Jesus" (Matthew 1:20,21), more was involved than the mere naming of a child: *"...for he (Jesus) shall save his people from their sins."* Every person whom God saves, He saves through this name. Jesus said, *"...I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."* (John 14:6) *"Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under*

heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." (Acts 4:12)

Dear friend, just think of that which God has done in giving Jesus to die in your stead, that you as an offender (sinner) might be forgiven your offense. Will you realize your need of the Lord Jesus Christ? Will you recognize yourself to be a sinner and under the consequence (condemnation) of sin? Will you request from God forgiveness of those sins? The Apostle Paul said, *"That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved."* (Romans 10:9) Will you repent (turn to Christ from your sins)? Will you receive Him as your sacrifice, substitute and Saviour? If so, will you please write to us and let us know, that we may rejoice with you?

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HELL!

Read how the Bible describes Hell.

1. A lake of fire. (Revelation 20:15)
2. A bottomless pit. (Revelation 20:1)
3. A horrible tempest. (Psalm 11:6)
4. A place of everlasting burnings. (Isaiah 33:14)
5. A furnace of fire. (Matthew 13:42)
6. A devouring fire. (Isaiah 33:14)
7. A place of torments. (Luke 16:23)
8. A place of everlasting punishment. (Matthew 25:46)
9. A place where people pray. (Luke 16:27)
10. A place where people cry for mercy. (Luke 16:24)
11. A place where people wail. (Matthew 13:42)
12. A place where people blaspheme God. (Revelation 16:11)
13. A place of no forgiveness. (Matthew 12:32)
14. A place of filthiness. (Revelation 22:11)
15. A place of weeping. (Matthew 8:12)
16. A place of sorrows. (Psalm 18:5)
17. A place of outer darkness. (Matthew 8:12)
18. A place where people have no rest. (Revelation 14:11)
19. A place where people gnaw their tongues. (Revelation 16:10)
20. A place of blackness and darkness forever. (Jude 13)

21. A place where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched. (Mark 9:48)
22. A place where people are tormented with fire and brimstone. (Revelation 14:10)
23. A place from which the smoke of people's torment ascendeth up forever. (Revelation 14:11)
24. A place where people do not want their loved ones to come. (Luke 16:28)

"And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire." (Revelation 20:15)
 The Bible asks in Hebrews 2:3, *"How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation..."* If you choose to go to Hell, do nothing! You have already done enough! *"For the wages of sin is death;..."* (Romans 6:23a) *"The wicked shall be turned into hell..."* (Psalm 9:17).

If you choose to escape Hell, you must do several things. First, you must believe you are a sinner. *"For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;"* (Romans 3:23)

Secondly, you must believe you deserve to go to Hell. *"Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:"* (Romans 5:12)

The third thing that you must do is to repent of your sins. *"...As I live, saith the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live..."* (Ezekiel 33:11)

You must also believe Jesus died to pay for your

sins. *"But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."* (Romans 5:8)

Finally, you need to trust Jesus to be your Saviour. *"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) *"That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved."* (Romans 10:9)

YOUR BIGGEST DECISION

Jesus has already **"Paid In Full"** the price for your eternal life. However, He leaves the final decision entirely up to you. So what will you do with Jesus Christ? Will you receive Him, or will you reject Him? Jesus gives you this promise: *"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)

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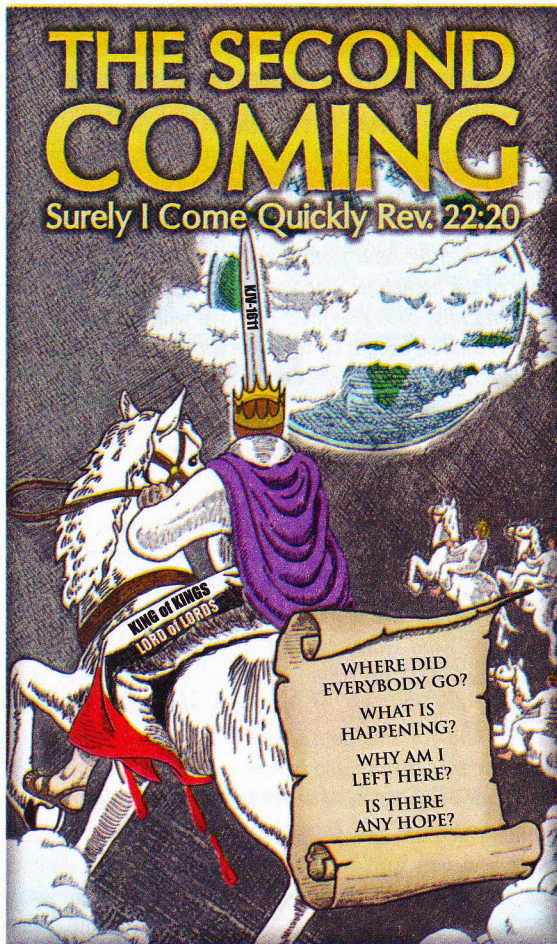


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The questions on the cover are some you might be asking if you miss the first phase of the Second Coming of Jesus Christ to the earth, called the rapture!

WHAT IS THE RAPTURE?

This is when Jesus Christ comes for His saints, those who have by faith completely trusted the eternity of their souls to His saving power with nothing else added. *"For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord."* (1 Thessalonians 4:16-17)

WILL YOU BE LEFT BEHIND?

Those left behind will cry out for help and comfort. Questions will arise in every heart. Where did the "Christians" go? One man, Satan's soul-incarnate, the antichrist, will have all the answers. *"Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie: That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness."* (2 Thessalonians 2:9-12)

THE GREAT TRIBULATION

Peace will reign for 3 1/2 years. Then, in this time called

the Great Tribulation in Revelation 7:14, all of God's judgment will be meted out on this world as Satan's emissaries, the beast, the antichrist, and the false prophet wreak havoc on mankind.

Revelation 16 records seven great judgments poured out on a God-forsaking world and its Satanic leaders! Putrifying painful sores, seas of deadmen's blood, rivers filled with blood, and the stench of dying aquatic life will plague man and beast. The sun will scorch the flesh of blasphemous man, and then disappear into the blackness of full darkness, as men gnaw their tongues in pain. The Euphrates River is dried up and God sends great earthquakes, tremendous thunderings and lightnings, and huge hail stones that pound the remnant of earth's inhabitants. "It is done," thunders from heaven as God's wrath is satisfied.

THE SECOND COMING

Then the second phase of Christ's Second Coming transpires! "...the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all his saints." (1 Thessalonians 3:13b) He comes and defeats the armies of the antichrist. The Lord Jesus will then reign for 1000 years! You say, "I just cannot believe it. I have so many questions." Let's allow God's Word to answer them for you.

When will the rapture take place? SOON!

"...for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh." (Matthew 24:44b) "But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only." (Matthew 24:36)

Will it affect me? YES!

"Then shall two be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left." (Matthew 24:40) If you miss the rapture, you will be left behind to go through the Great Tribulation. Then as a non-believer, you will end up in hell for all eternity.

How can it be true? JESUS SAID SO!

"... I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also." (John 14:3b) Jesus Christ would not lie. He promised to come again, and He will for those who are ready - the saved.

What should I do? REPENT, BELIEVE, BE SAVED!

"Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out," (Acts 3:19a) "...Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house." (Acts 16:31b) "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God." (Ephesians 2:8)

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