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There is one serious flaw and one simple answer, when it comes to man and his ideas of god and/or God, and it can be resolved with one definition and one analogy. It really is this simple; 'Man Gives us Religion ... God Gives us Truth.'

Consider that every religion in existence today, BUT ONE, apart from Judaism choosing to ignore their Messiah, was founded by one man only, from which has evolved into countless religions, trusted by millions for the eternal security of their soul.

While appreciating that our own legal and binding court system requires two or more witnesses to prove the legitimacy of a case, otherwise overruled for insufficient evidence ... is it wise of us to be placing our souls at the mercy of say one Guru, one Buddha (a former guru), or any one man, over the wisdom of the 'One' who created man and all wisdom?

You're encouraged to read this thought-provoking book, revealing a clear distinction between 'Human Accomplishment,' and 'Divine Accomplishment.'

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To the glory of God, thank you, Jesus, my Lord & Savior, friend, brother, and joint-heir in the kingdom of heaven, hallelujah, amen!

**WHAT IF** ... author's underlying intention for this book, although a Christian leader, was not necessarily about defending the Christian faith, as much as it was in defense of the billions of souls being lost to man-made religion; thus the reason for majority unrest?

A bold position, however, what if this position could be proven by using just one (1) analogy and one (1) definition; considering every religion in existence today, **BUT ONE**, apart from Judaism choosing to ignore their Messiah, was founded by one man only?

As you proceed through this book, each reader is encouraged to ponder the following two key points moving forward.

### **A Respectful Analogy**

In a court of law across the globe, two or more witnesses are needed to defend a case in court, otherwise it is thrown out for insufficient evidence. Why then do we, or would we, place our trust in 'one man' who founds a religion, on his 'one' opinion of god, and without evidence to support the positions

taken, including nirvana; reincarnation; being good enough; enlightenment, etc.?

### **A Respectful Definition**

IDOL'ATRY ... as defined by Noah Webster in his 1828 Dictionary reads as follows:

The worship of idols, images, or anything made by hands, or which is not God.

Idolatry is of two kinds; the worship of images, statues, or pictures made by hands; and the worship of the heavenly bodies, the sun, moon and stars, or of demons, angels, men and animals.

Excessive attachment or veneration for anything, or that which borders on adoration.

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## What we believe affects our present and our destiny



**O**ur world is morally bankrupt, segregated from the truth. It is currently bowing to falsehood, which has no validation other than mythology and human accomplishment. As a result of this misleading, through denial of the truth, the heart remains callused, full of pride and self will, harboring the foulness of evil such as greed, envy, murder, deceit, malice, gossip, slander, and arrogance, to name a few.

The heart of man, woman, and child must be changed by their 'Creator' (*Divine Accomplishment*), not by self, someone or something created (*Human Accomplishment*).

To ignore the truth of the living God with the power to resolve our societal dilemma is to embrace the very selfish and sinful acts that are imprisoning and destroying us, especially that of judging our fellow man.

“Man Gives us Religion – God Gives us Truth” was written in response to people seeking answers around *Religion, Bible, Heaven, Hell, Truth*, and the likes; *Who do we trust? Where do we turn? What do we believe?*

To live outside of truth is to deny the soul an eternal pardon, leaving it hostage to falsehood, temporal and mortal gratification, blinded to eternal condemnation; not a wise position. Augustine quoted: “The soul remains restless until it finds its rest in God.” Our shortfall today is, 'god or God?'

A clear distinction between fact and fiction challenges you in this book. All readers are encouraged to consider more seriously the evidence presented. Man can do nothing for us, but a personal relationship with the living God, Jesus Christ, can, in an instant, secure your soul for all eternity.



## Introduction!



It is often discouraging to think that so many attempts to do good in our society are being twisted around to appear bad, dirty, and ugly. This is the work of the devil and his ‘gods’ (religion/human accomplishment). Truth tells us in [Isaiah 43:10](#), “I alone am God. There is no other God – there never has been, and there never will be.”

The objective of this book, while loving all and judging none, as no man has this right, is to spread the good news, the message of hope and love, in a way that people will take notice of both sides, as with the need for every story, and perhaps for the first time, become

desirous for truth over fiction, falsehood, and mythology that is consuming the mind and running rampant in our ‘*anything-goes*’ culture.

Every man is created equal, no matter their nationality, culture, or geographical location. The sexes are uniquely, intentionally and divinely compatible, without superiority. [All men have sinned and fall short of the glory of God](#), and again, not one has a right to judge another for any reason. As a whole society, we are first failing ourselves by not recognizing our weaknesses as a result of unrepentant sin. Only when we first remove the plank from our own eye are we worthy to offer counsel regarding the [speck in the eye of another](#).

By the grace of God alone have I desired to learn of ‘absolute truth’ (*95% non-denominational, unorthodox study, with Christ as my teacher*), and all in thanks for what He (Christ), did for humanity on the cross. [While you and I were still sinners, He died for us](#), and for that, He is worthy of our honor and praise until the day He removes the very breath He freely provided us.





## Congratulations!



**B**y faith, you have stepped out of your comfort zone and taken a wise and courageous move to find answers. To assume something as the truth, when it is not, is our weakness to see and accept the truth.

From this point forward, the goal is to lead you and a world that has gone awry, back to the basics of logic and common sense. As a world or society, we have succumbed to fiction, wild imaginary, and countless belief systems, including, the claim that our earth is *'millions or billions of years old.'* There are no facts or equipment without bias available to support such outlandish claims. It has long been debunked, and yet,

mass numbers continue to believe in the advocates rather than the evidence; how sad! This sort of empty, one-sided-thinking causes millions to ask, *‘What do we believe? How do we know truth? Who do we trust?’*

I’m trusting you will soon appreciate that because man did not create the world in which we live, far exceeding what any man could ever believe and achieve, then we should see 'religion' as it is, mere 'Human Accomplishment.' Considering the evidence, anything apart from the all-holy and righteous living God, Jesus Christ, should be avoided like the plague.

The [truth will set you free](#), and as a result, the tide is instantly turned in your favor. The longer the pride of man continues in his attempt to explain away his unconfessed sin without consequence or accountability, the longer he suffers. And on the contrary, [whosoever believes in the living God, Jesus Christ, they shall live even though they die.](#)



## Let's get started!



**O**n an average monthly basis, a minimum of the following name/phrase searches occurs via the internet, clearly indicating that determined individuals are desperate for answers. Or should that read, *desperate individuals are determined to find answers*? Here are seven.

- Religion = 321,505
- Bible = 732,442
- Heaven = 163,115
- True religion = 138,257
- Hell = 63,032
- Truth = 60,278

- 'Relationship' related = on a monthly basis, is sourced out **3,814,175** times - with 'love relationships,' monthly search alone, 1,041,728

Are you grasping this number? Every month 3,814,175, shy of 4 million people are seeking answers around relationships alone; we human beings are seriously afraid of honest, sincere relationships.

If I were a gambling man, which I am not, I'd say the majority of these four million seekers are women. (Bear with me ladies before you bite my head off!) I'm on your side! \*\*\* **Men are simply not being accountable** to themselves or you, as they were called to do.

PS: No man-made religious book teaches on this one mere principle alone, with any depth let alone authority, yet we gravitate to said false hope by the billions.

Ladies, you have a right to be seeking answers because men haven't been stepping up to the plate for centuries. It's an embedded ego trip (male thing) that has been left alone without the power of The living God (Divine accomplishment), for far too long.

When it comes to the bedroom, men are the first to respond. Otherwise, they're too busy flirting with whom they shouldn't be flirting ... boasting about how tough they are ... how many pints they can chug-a-lug ... who has the biggest and most significant sports trophy ... or who won the latest hockey game, right!

Surprisingly enough ladies, and although the matter at hand has been around since breath was first breathed into mankind (not peoplekind), there are good and sound reasons for this, with a solution that speaks for itself, but first things first.



## Questions Yes! Doubts No!



There is much more at stake when we choose to believe in something. We must take eternity, for example, more seriously. When we close our eyes for the last time, what happens to us? Is there such a person and place as 'St. Peter at heavens pearly gates?' – Or the 'devil with the red face, two horns, and a pitchfork?' I'm being somewhat facetious here, but also very real.

All 'religions,' including Hindi, Islam, Buddhism, Judaism or Christianity, for example, proclaim, "We are the way." So, who's right? Is there more than one way



to heaven? Does it make sense that all prophets with different messages can be correct?

Should we not justify these beliefs, as a minimum, by considering the proof or factual evidence available in support of what is proclaimed as truth?

Are facts no longer relevant? Does a court of law, still not require some form of proof for a conviction to be effective? If no proof, is a case not thrown out of court for insufficient evidence?

Why do we treat our need for truth any different, especially concerning the eternal resting place of our soul—considering that today, life is overwhelmed with ideologies and falsehood to the point, when truth is shared, the person sharing is often looked upon as though they have three heads.

How is it that one Buddha says we have a soul, and another says we do not, and we never question it?

How is it another faith reasons we get to heaven by being good enough, with no means to justify one good

act over another; one steals two chocolate bars, another steals only one, so the latter goes to heaven?

How is it that the book of Mormon has zero evidence anywhere on God's green planet to support itself, and yet millions stand firmly as Mormons? Boldly, yet always loving all and judging none ... is this not like being behind bars, knowing you're innocent, having the proof to support that innocence, and saying; "*You know, I think I'll pass and stay right where I am?*"

Dear friend. Is it wrong of me, or anyone, to be suggesting that it be wise to consider the evidence in support of the very belief system that we are placing our eternal trust in ... our souls?

Man can change the mind, but only JESUS CHRIST LIVING GOD can change the heart.

How can one suggest confidence in an absolute truth, where we're told there is no such thing? If no evidence exists to discredit one iota of a 31,173 verses, with a 400 year gap between two parts, 40+ authors, and all in perfect sync, is not as absolute as humanly possible?



## Is it any wonder?



**W**hen it comes to my faith, I am bold and firm in supporting it because, after years of study (30+), it continues to confirm itself, that *not one piece of evidence is available in our universe to prove it wrong*; unbiased evidence, not talk, can substantiate this bold claim!

I am a Christian but ashamed of the denominational pride. I do not say this in judgment of the church or the people. I don't have that right! As a matter of fact, I'm one of few to respect anyone who chooses to believe in something rather than nothing—for when we stand for nothing; we fall for anything.

Listen in on a conversation or two today about death or beliefs, and yowza, we're missing it.

Our world is radically out of control, thanks to man's ego and proud wisdom. Until we are willing to humble ourselves long enough to accept the help of Jesus Christ, society will continue its downslide while we search for answers in the wrong directions, trusting the created over the Creator; the truth that will set us free.

It should also be noted, that many faiths, claiming to be 'Christian,' who are quick to bring up the name 'Jesus,' actually deny, that He (Jesus) is the Son of God, God incarnate, for which the proof is found in The Holy Bible—an unblemished, undeniable source, with '*zero*' to discredit it. He alone is worthy to be trusted as our guiding light into life everlasting, nothing added to His word, nothing taken away, word for word, thanks to the breath of our Creator.

Author stands firm with The Living God, Jesus Christ, inviting [you and your family to consider the same.](#)

Hollywood celebrities or TV sensations need only broadcast their beliefs to an audience one time, and in a matter of hours, millions are literally falling all over ‘THIS-MUST-BE-THE-ANSWER’ ... and we’re asking ourselves why our world is in the shape it is .

We are constantly soaking up the liberal (one-sided) news...indulging in celebrity and man-made wisdom where both sides of the story are never told and where facts have a way of disappearing.

Is it any wonder why billions are crying out for answers?

Again, this is not about judging anyone or their beliefs. Truth must be told, and we must willing to listen, learn, and do our own research; eternity is a long, long time.

**SADLY:** When I hear a Christian leader saying we need and must repent of our sins daily, I cringe, knowing, without judging that that person is living proof of denominational pride, while missing the [grace of God](#) for which Jesus came and died (See also [Galatians 5:4](#)).



## The Idealist



**Y**es, I'm an idealist in the truest sense where I believe in heaven and hell, good and evil, and that all people are created equal, apart from circumstantial inequities. We are not, nor can we become, individual gods as many are wrongly taught to believe. That makes as much sense as evolution. As one mere example, a certain protein is found in the blood of the Rhesus Monkey, that matches that of *'some'* human beings, and suddenly we must have evolved from monkeys! Endless evidence is available today to refute these archaic claims, not to mention, not one piece of evolution evidence in a museum glass case is free of carbon gases.



It should be noted that evolutionists use Radio-Metric dating (100% guessing and estimation with no time/date/age given), while others use Carbon Dating (100% guidance by emitted carbon gases, nothing to date still emitting said gases from items claimed to be millions or billions of years old,) proving a young earth.

For a young acquaintance of mine, to be murdered, having a knife shoved through his neck for supposedly looking sideways at a young woman is a far cry from being 'good,' evil perhaps!

The mass murders at Columbine High had nothing to do with anything 'good,' evil perhaps!

Since legalizing abortion in the United States in 1973, just fewer than 600,000 murdered babies then, to well over 1,000,000 yearly at the time of writing this, has nothing to do with anything 'good,' evil perhaps!

Since when has murder become a good thing? Truth is, evil (man intervention), the absence of the living God (divine intervention), is twisting our easily corruptible minds into thinking more of ourselves than

that of the defenseless human beings we grind up and spit out like hamburger in what's known as 'abortion.' This preposterous act is sadly promoted by a high profile group [founded by Margaret Sanger](#). Anyone who would support or defend the likes of Hitler, as did Sanger, is the absence of God with evil at its best.

Could the grace of our Living God remove these blinders and open the eyes and hearts of a person who is currently believing such deceit? Absolutely, 100% guaranteed!

We might better understand and appreciate all this 'evil' stuff, if we would only grasp that evil only exists in the absence of truth and that being God; a true, all loving, all-forgiving, and living God, Jesus Christ!

The world is our oyster, if we would only believe.

[Jesus says in John 11:40](#), "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?"



## CHAPTER 8

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### Twelve sacred texts on the ‘Golden Rule’



[NATIVE SPIRITUALITY](#) (Chief Dan George born: July 24, 1899-September 23, 1981) We are as much alive as we keep the earth alive. Chief Dan George

[BAHA’I FAITH](#) (Founded 1819-1850) Lay not on any soul a load that you would not wish to be laid upon you, and desire not for anyone the things you would not desire for yourself. Baha’u’llah, Gleanings

[BUDDHISM](#) (Former Hindu, Buddha-Siddhartha Gautama 535 BC) Treat not others in ways that you would find hurtful. The Buddha, Udana-Varga 5.1

[CONFUCIANISM](#) (Unicorns & legend) Loving-kindness...Do not do to others what you do not want to be done to you . Confucius, Analects 15:23

[HINDUISM](#) (Thousands of different religious groups since 1500 BC) This is the sum of duty: do not do to others what would cause pain if done to you. Mahabharata 5:1517

[ISLAM](#) (Muhammad born: 569 AD-632AD) Not one of you truly believes until you wish for others what you want for yourself. The Prophet Muhammad, 13<sup>th</sup> of the 40 Hadiths of Nawawi

[JAINISM](#) (Began 8.4 million years ago) One should treat all creatures in the world as one would like to be treated. Mahavira, Suttrakritanga ...

[SIKHISM](#) (No consensus exists of its origin) I am a stranger to no one, and no one is a stranger to me. Indeed, I am a friend to all. Guru Granth Sahib, pg. 1299

[TAOISM](#) (604-531 BC...founded by a contemporary of Confucius) Regard your neighbor's gain as your gain and your neighbor's loss as your loss. Lao Tzu, T'ai Shang Kan Ying P'ien, 213-218

[ZOROASTRIANISM](#) (Founded by Zarathushtra in about 1500 – 1000 BC) Do not do unto others whatever is injurious to yourself. Shayast-na-Shayast 13:29

[JUDAISM](#) (Beginning of time) What is hateful to you, do not do to your neighbors. This is the whole Torah; all the rest is commentary. Go and learn it. Hillel, Talmud, Shabbath 31a

[CHRISTIANITY](#) (1<sup>st</sup> century A.D.) “Do to others whatever you would like them to do to you. This is the essence of all that is taught in the law and the prophets.” Jesus Christ, [Matthew 7:12](#).



## Human Accomplishment or Divine Accomplishment



Looking at the above individual quotes, it becomes evident in all cases that there was most definitely plenty of human insight perhaps, but little [Godly wisdom](#). Man continues to take it upon himself in one belief system to reach a notion called enlightenment, or claiming to have received some form of revelation from God, and yet, all but 'One' from above, remain in the very grave in which they were placed, no different than any other human being following death...other than hearsay.



God doesn't make junk, I agree, however, we mustn't miss looking closely at the above quotes and seeing either of two things:

- An attempt to quote the words as though Christ, in hopes to be like Him who defeated death, or,
- A quote full of ingrained sinful human pride to bring glory to self.

We've all been impressed by the wisdom of others, children included, at one time or another. But should we be worshipping mere flesh? We are privileged to meet men and woman throughout our lives who are exceptionally intelligent in more ways than one—demonstrating keen abilities, to depict and decipher, or to analyze and discern, with the clearest of gifted distinctions.

Being gifted and being God are two drastically different matters. Blessed perhaps, deserving respect by all means, but definitely unworthy to be worshiped and adored as God. As a global society, we are guilty of worshipping the created over the Creator, and as a

result, evident to all, we suffer today for our unrepentant sin.

It has been said there are only two types of religion; “Human Accomplishment and Divine Accomplishment.”

**Only one** name from the above quotes can provide any evidence to support ‘Divinity.’

**Only one** name from the above quotes left human pride behind to avoid drawing attention to themselves.

**All but one** of the quotes from above are mere human insight, or more appropriately categorized as ‘Human Accomplishment,’ being the insightful but empty words expected from the lips of one created and not that coming from a Creator.

So similar are all the quotes, yet, only one could have come from [an Omniscient](#) – [an Omnipresent](#), and [an Omnipotent Creator](#) who's grandeur and awesomeness can be justified and evidenced by an inerrant and infallible Holy Scripture book; an absolute truth!

## Questions to ponder:

Would an all righteous, holy, forgiving, and Living God, send us many prophets all delivering a different message?

Would it make more sense for The Living God to send us His ultimate plan for eternal salvation by way of [legitimacy \(Isaac of the promise\)](#) or [illegitimacy \(Ishmael of the flesh\)](#)?

Would our Living God leave us in limbo and wonder ... OR ... with multiple answers to what He has already seen and knows to be fulfilled?



## Apples to Apples



I am on my deathbed, an agnostic (one who believes in something but not sure as to what) and a voice out of nowhere begins speaking, as an envelope floats onto my lap containing a brief message, as well as the exact Golden Rule quotes as shown above.

“By choosing to believe in just one of these beliefs, referring to the information in their quotes, which is more than enough if read carefully, and if you wish, reflecting on anything you may recall from prior study, your decision will decide your eternal destination; A/ eternal salvation with me in heaven, or B/ a sinners death, separated from me forever. You have one hour!

So, considering my clock was ticking, knowing that 'idolatry,' according to Noah Webster's 1828 dictionary, is defined as: the worship of images, statues, or pictures made by hands; the worship of the heavenly bodies, the sun, moon and stars; the worship of demons, angels, men and animals ... and reviewing the Golden Rule quotes provided ... as well as any prior studies ... my brief synopsis came out as follows.

**NATIVE SPIRITUALITY** ... It would appear to me that although wise in his old age, the Chief's statement gives me no reason why I should place my trust or soul in his hands. And from studies, although very little with this man, he did speak of God and to God, but always vaguely, and contrarily with reverence to the wolf, and shaman spiritual doctors, which I believe to be idolatry, so, Native Spirituality is merely human accomplishment...and unable to secure my soul!

**BAHA'I FAITH** (Founded 1819-1850). Because the *Bahá'í World Faith* is the youngest of the world's main religions, founded in Iran only during the mid 19th century by Siyyid 'Ali-Muhammad (1819-1850 AD)

and although they believe in a single God, they believe their God has repeatedly sent prophets into the world through whom he has revealed "*his word*" such as through Adam, Krishna, Buddha, Yeshua of Nazareth (Jesus), Mohammed, The Bab, and Baha'u'llah. And why would our living God send numerous prophets all delivering a different message? So, I see Baha'i Faith as human accomplishment...and unable to secure my soul!

**BUDDHISM** (Buddha-Siddhartha Gautama 535 BC). Because we know that prior to Buddhism's beginning, Buddha was first a Hindu ... and based on multiple Buddha's who claim we don't have a soul, when the next Buddha claims we do ... it becomes an easy decision to see Buddhism as mere human accomplishment ... and unable to secure the resting place of my soul, or anothers.

**CONFUCIANISM** (Unicorns & legends). Confucius was like all young men should be, interested in the best way to behave and live in this world. However, how can a mere mortal man lead us to eternal security or save us from our sins? Why would I risk eternity worshipping

this 'one' man, when logic suggests that man has a soul that needs saving? How can mortal save mortal? So, I see Confucianism as human accomplishment, man and pride at work, unable to secure the soul!

**HINDUISM** (Thousands of different religious groups since 1500 BC). Although this religion dates back to the time of Moses, it again has nothing concrete in what to believe, or who to believe or even how to believe, because there is so much to consider. And the thought of having hundreds of gods and goddesses, multiple headed and armed objects and statues and giant birds' with zero proof, is what I see to be confusing, without focus and hundreds of ways to nowhere... So, I see Hinduism as human accomplishment...and unable to secure my soul!

**ISLAM** (Muhammad born: 569AD - 632AD). Muslim's are truly beautiful people, however, Muhammad was a member of a tribe in Mecca, known as the 'Quarish,' and they worshipped 360 gods and one black stone, supposedly given to Abraham by Gabriel. The moon-god at that time was known as Allah.



Muhammad chose this name to be the god of his Quran. His father and uncle were also named after Allah. The symbol for Islam is the crescent moon, which can be found on stone statues, centuries prior to Muhammad. This man also claimed to be a descendant of Ishmael, and if correct, Ishmael was the illegitimate son of Abraham, not the legitimate, promised son (Isaac) of the blessing. There are many flaws to be found in the Quran; from a flat earth, the sun's resting place, being good enough to enter heaven (paradise), and plagiarism. So, I see Islam as human accomplishment...and unable to secure my soul!

**JAINISM** (Supposedly began 8.4 million years ago). Upon reading that the first Jina was traditionally believed to have been a giant who lived 8.4 million years ago, made it a quick and easy no. "The Great Hero" who was born in and about 550 B.C. also supposedly received enlightenment after 13 years. This is once again man caught up in his pride in an attempt to be a savior or god. So I see Jainism as human accomplishment...and unable to secure my soul!

**SIKHISM** (No consensus exists of its origin). Perhaps 500 years ago, as a result of misunderstandings between the two rivals of Hinduism and Islam...man again deciding to take his pride and ego and become god. So, I see Sikhism as human accomplishment...and unable to secure my soul or any soul!

**TAOISM** (6<sup>th</sup> Century BC...founded by a contemporary of Confucius, Lao Tze). Again, we witness the pride and human effort, attempting to out-rival their contemporaries, and in this case, Confucius. So, I quickly added Taoism to the human accomplishment list that is unable to secure my soul!

**ZOROASTRIANISM** (Founded by Zarathustra in about 1500 – 1000 BC). Another story unfolds of man gone good to save the world...certainly older than most, but although they say they believe in one God, they also believe in six lesser gods called the Amesha Spentas. To enter heaven their good deeds are weighed against their bad (where Muhammad perhaps got much information for his Quran with a similar 'good' theory), so sins do not enter the equation; simply if we

are good or bad is weighed out to decide on heaven or not, and the prophet Zoroaster also wrote his own scriptures ... So, I see Zoroastrianism as human accomplishment...and unable to secure my soul!

**JUDAISM** (Beginning of time). Appreciating that ‘one’ God had called the Hebrew people, the Israelites, His own, this was a consideration. However, since the Jewish scriptures speak of the coming Messiah, and knowing the evidence is available of His coming and going, while Judaism continues to ignore the legitimacy of the New Testament, sadly, it too remains guilty of human accomplishment (effort) ... and unable to secure my soul or their own!

**CHRISTIANITY** (1<sup>st</sup> century A.D.). Because of the quote, Jesus provides us in [Matthew 7:12](#), four points must be addressed:

FIRST: Jesus refers to the Old Testament when mentioning the ‘law and the prophets.’ This identifies the legitimacy of both the Old and the New Testaments, plus, it clearly indicates His willingness to

steer attention away from Himself, demonstrating His credibility in not seeking self-glory (Pride). If He were a mere man, full of envy and jealousy He would have been like the others, adding another worldly quote to keep the focus on Himself and not on His purpose.

SECOND: Jesus shows no rivalry, ego or pride as found between Lao Tze and Confucius, or Sikhism resulting from rivalry with Hinduism and Islamic beliefs, as mere examples.

THIRD: Jesus is not in competition, for He has no contemporary, demonstrated by consistently referencing His/Father and His word. He offers us, one way to heaven, not multiple ways; there is One Savior, One God, not multiple fictitious gods; no multiple headed, armed, legged or giant man gods, and no millions of years to debate.

FOURTH: There are forty+ God-inspired authors regarding the Holy Bible, compared to one man only founding ten (10) of the religions whose leaders died

and went to their graves; Christ defeated death, and Judaism refuses to accept the Messiah, their Savior!

Roman soldiers would have been put to immediate death had Jesus been stolen out from under their watch. So, without bias, on logic and common sense alone, it's fair to say that Christ presents multiple evidences for Divine Accomplishment ... therefore able to secure my soul, or any soul for, all eternity.

[Romans 10:9](#) (NLT) says: If you openly declare that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

[1 Thessalonians 4:14-17](#) (NLT) says: 14 For since we believe that Jesus died and was raised to life again, we also believe that when Jesus returns, God will bring back with him the believers who have died.

### **ANALOGY and STUDY CONCLUSION:**

My 1 hour time frame up, there's a knock on my door.

- Knock, knock, knock!

- "Who's there?"
- "Your time is up ... have you made your decision?"
- "Yes, I have. I used the information provided and also considered my studies over the years to arrive at my decision. I trust it is the right one!"
- "Well done [my good and faithful servant \(Matthew 25:21,23\)](#). I know your every thought before you think it, as I inspired my servant David to [make a note of Psalm 139:2](#), therefore I know your answer is the right one."
- "Does this mean"...
- "Yes, it means, as promised, that you will receive eternal salvation and spend eternity with me. You will not see death as man knows it — You will die, yes, but according to [My Word \(1 Thessalonians 4:14-17\)](#), you and all who believe in Me, my Son, Christ Jesus, will rise and live again with me for all eternity."



## “What about logic & common sense?”



Common Sense justified

**F**or clarification, much of my response is specifically and purposely based around logic and common sense, for the disappearance of this insightful enigma has severely affected and unnecessarily complicated the simplicity of life intended. The devil is very good at what he does, prowling around like a roaring lion seeking out more and more souls to devour ([1 Peter 5:8](#)) ... a master of confusion.

For example:

- If common sense still existed, a judge in British Columbia, Canada, would never have ruled that



child pornography was ‘ART,’ thus lightening a court sentence, when instead, it should have been more severely enforced; accountability!

- If common sense still existed, for three apparent reasons, the Bible would never have been prevented from being read and eventually removed from our schools (Canada/USA Judeo-Christian heritage)—initiated by [Madeline Murray O’Hare](#) (*who was found murdered*).
- The Holy Bible is the only controversial book on planet earth that has never been proven wrong contrary to biased interests.
- The Bible teaches, do not murder; do not steal; love your neighbor; while promoting love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.
- The Bible gives us the freedom to believe or not to believe...and it's full of endless pieces of

evidence as to why we should and need to believe its inerrant and infallible [living word](#).

- If common sense still existed, then a particular breed of dog (Pitt Bull) would never have been banned from a country because of the ignorance and carelessness of its human handlers; that's like putting the gun on trial and setting the shooter free.



## Was author bias in his study analogy?



No, the author was not being biased in his analogy. Yes he is a Christian, but if for one minute that Jesus Christ of The Holy Bible, as in The Father, The Son, and The Holy Spirit, any part of the forty authors, or of the undisputed sixty-six books from Genesis to Revelation were the slightest of fallible, not what it claimed to be, with a sense that eternal salvation would be missed, then he'd be all over the solution like white on rice. This is not just about the author, but the soul of every breathing human being who reads this.

Why consider trusting our soul into the hands of one mere man, who claims to have found enlightenment or

received a revelation from God with nothing to support their claim?

And how could anyone justify themselves as being good enough or achieving a state of nirvana, when neither can be justified on any account?

Why place trust in a belief that follows hundreds of gods and idols and practices rituals, or believes in an 8.4-million-year-old giant when no such evidence or equipment is available to measure time much beyond ten thousand years, let alone millions or billions?

**PS:** The point of this book ... of this chapter ... is not about who is right or wrong, but rather, questioning where we are placing our trust for the eternal resting place of our soul.

Mountains of evidence points to a living and breathing God who defeated death, with an answer everyone should have access to, in order to make an informed and justifiable decision; eternity is a long time.



## CHAPTER 13

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### James, son of Joseph, brother of Jesus



Let us consider for a moment the power of Media manipulation.

**O**n October 21, 2002 the existence of the ossuary or burial box of ‘James, son of Joseph, brother of Jesus,’ was announced in Washington, D.C., by the Biblical Archaeological Review. From the day of its discovery, with its inscription, ‘James, son of Joseph, brother of Jesus’ in full view for all to read, it remains to be anything and everything but authentic.

Just a thought, but something says that if, Jesus Himself placed a similar box in our hands, biased governance and perspective would rather allow us to pay the

unnecessary costs of societal consequences (created man *over Creator God*) than to face the facts of truth as presented to us.

But wait, here comes Mr. Hollywood, actor-extraordinaire, claiming Scientology is the answer we need.

Or is it the famous 'O' lady suggesting we are all 'gods,' or claiming more than one way to heaven, either way, 'voila,' all is good!

Although nothing to support this new-age thinking, as long as someone is wealthy, successful, and with a platform to be heard, then we must listen to what they have to say and run after and purchase whatever they're selling. Foolish as this may sound, sadly it is our way.

Or with evolution being seriously challenged on this one, who's pockets are greased to tone the outcome?

The Media is compensated horrendously to distort, hide or water down the real truth, from politics, banking, to the FDA; who can afford to challenge it?



Noteworthy: To those serious about faith, believing the Holy Bible to be the 100% inerrant infallible word of our Creator, do not consider their faith as a 'Religion,' but rather as a personal 'Relationship' with Jesus Christ, the Son of God, for the well being of their souls through eternal salvation, found only in Christ.

No one but our Living God, thank you, Jesus, has all the answers.

Author is merely a messenger. And his message for you this very moment is that if your current belief system, if not found within the pages of the Holy Bible, it's fair to reasonably conclude that life after death in your case, is not in your favor.

[John 14:6](#) tells us, "I am the way, the truth and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me."

God warns us of all falsehood; "If anyone comes to your meeting and does not teach the truth about Christ, don't invite that person into your home or give any kind of encouragement." ([2 John 1:10](#))

## For clarity, catch this!

Religion, or Human Accomplishment, never address the little things that the living God, Jesus Christ finds necessary to prioritize, including the above two points. Is this not a clear and obvious distinction between man at work and not the living God in whom we should be placing our eternal trust?

Up to this point, we have witnessed a long-lost common-sense approach; exactly and as passionately as needed, for us to see, in this case, the falsehood that is destroying the very goodness Jesus intended for all people to experience and share.

Heaven cannot be reached by following empty man-made religion. For man to experience the purest of God's intentions, the heart must be changed from the inside out by calling on, and acting upon, the absolute truth of Jesus Christ; yet, freedom of choice to believe as one chooses, must remain the priority on all counts.

[Jesus says in John 3:5-7](#), “I assure you, no one can enter the Kingdom of God without being born of water and the Spirit. Humans can reproduce only human life, but the Holy Spirit gives birth to spiritual life. So don’t be surprised when I say, ‘You must be born again.’”

For us to ignore the logic of a matter, is unquestionably our downfall. Many do not have the intellect, the will, or time, to investigate the resurrection evidence of Christ, or researching the origins of the Quran or the truth behind Jainism, for example.

This makes common sense and logic invaluable to people, if heaven is their hopeful destiny. And always wondering if we are good enough, or if we measure up, logically speaking, doesn’t make sense to get us there.

What we are witnessing today is evil at its best, and being convinced to ignore our need to repent of our sin (we all goof up), and our need of a Savior, is unwise.



## CHAPTER 14

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### We need to be connected



**A**ll need to be connected back to their true, life source, the living God, our Creator.

The moment Eve sinned, and Adam followed suit, was the pinnacle point that separated mankind from his Creator, forever; the only way out, or back if you will, is by trusting in what Christ did for us on the cross.

And [Jesus makes clear in John 15:5](#): “Apart from me you can do nothing”...

He is our bridge and our way back to our Creator and living God.

We must be willing to start with self to clean up our act. Once this is in tune, everything else begins to follow suit.

“Change is inevitable, but change starting with self, is worthy of applause” – Pastor Kevin

People who are serious about Christ, stick out like sore thumbs, thrust into the ‘Minority Spotlight’ standing firm and boldly at times, but never ever in judgment ... with morals and values bursting at the seams ... always making certain ... that people come first in all things, at all times.



**Dave's story: by Dave Egner from Our  
Daily Bread**



**M**any people are afraid of flying. The thought of being airborne fills them with anxiety. For that reason, the American Phobic Society recommends these techniques for coping with the fear of flying.

- Avoid sugar and caffeine before and during a flight.
- Lean back at takeoff; let your muscles go limp.
- Rate your anxiety on a scale from 1 to 10. Think positive thoughts; note how much your fear decreases.



- Breathe deeply; close your eyes; stretch your arms.
- Wear a rubber band on your wrist and snap it to break unpleasant thoughts.

These are five good suggestions. And there's a sixth one that works with all kinds of fear ... the most important of all: Put your trust in the living God!

[That's what David did in Psalm 31.](#) A conspiracy had come against him. His friends had abandoned him. His reign appeared to be over. Death seemed certain. But he made a choice and declared, "*As for me, I trust in You, O Lord*" (Psalm 31:14).

When you're afraid, it may help to breathe deeply or snap rubber bands. But don't leave out the best way to cope with the fear of flying—or any other fear.

Follow David's example and put your trust in God. —  
Dave Egner

## So, what's with Dave's story?

It's a story with absolute truth as the underlying factor. With man, we can count on good recommendations, worldly wisdom, and plenty of ideals to boot. But they are empty and void of eternal benefits unless Jesus is a part of the equation.

Although the Phobic Society's suggestions are good ones, we must not forget that God needs to be factored in on a daily basis to filter and process our intake of information.

If not, and your author can testify to this ... apart from Him (Jesus), we can do nothing ([John 15:5](#)) ... for He is the potter and we are the clay ([Romans 9:20-21](#)).



## Idolatry Defined



Eleven of the twelve individual faiths and their founders (leaders) noted previously were no different than any other sinner; the 12th bore no sin!

No matter their motives, perhaps brilliant amongst their peers and deserving of respect, but as with you and I, they were still mortal beings and died.

As for idolizing and worshipping man-made religion and founders, it is revealed through *idolatry* as an unwise choice ... leaving billions of souls at risk.

To worship man is no different than a groupie who idolizes celebrities, singers, or actors. For your author

to prioritize the Pope or my Pastor, or Mary, mother of Jesus, or my wife, anyone or anything before Jesus Christ, our Creator, is a grave error.

As noted, IDOL'ATRY, is defined by [Noah Webster in his 1828 Dictionary](#) as follows (\*\*\*):

\*\*\* The worship of idols, images, or anything made by hands, or which is not God.

\*\*\* Idolatry is of two kinds; the worship of images, statues, or pictures made by hands; and the worship of the heavenly bodies, the sun, moon and stars, or of demons, angels, men, and animals.

\*\*\* Excessive attachment or veneration for anything, or that which borders on adoration.



## Is Your Religion/Faith Idolatry?



**NATIVE SPIRITUALITY**, for example - Our friend would always be speaking of the wisdom and courage of the wolf ... **THE WORSHIP OF ANIMALS IS ADORATION AND IDOLATRY!**

**BAHA'I FAITH** for example - They believe in one god, but in one who sent a variety of prophets from all different faiths to share his word...**THE WORSHIPPING OF ANYTHING THAT IS NOT GOD IS ADORATION AND IDOLATRY!**

**BUDDHISM** for example - They worship 'The lotus plant' ... 'The Buddha statue and all Buddha's' ...

THE WORSHIP OF STATUES AND IDOLS IS  
IDOLATRY!

**CONFUCIANISM**, for example - They worship 'Confucius' the founder...God said in Exodus 20:3 "You shall have no other gods before me." ... THE WORSHIP OF THAT WHICH IS NOT GOD IS ADORATION AND IDOLATRY!

**HINDUISM** for example - They worship hundreds of gods and goddesses, including special family gods ... THE WORSHIP OF IDOLS, IMAGES AND OTHER GODS IS ADORATION AND IDOLATRY!

**ISLAM** for example - They lift up 'Muhammad' and worship the arabic moon god, 'allah' as their primary god, plus the city of Mecca in recognition of where Muhammad received his supposed revelation ... THE WORSHIP OF MAN, HEAVENLY BODIES, IDOLS AND FALSE GODS IS IDOLATRY!

**JAINISM** for example - They worship man, Mahavira "The Great Hero" and believe in an 8.4



million year old legend ... THE WORSHIP OF MAN AND IDOLS IS IDOLATRY!

**SIKHISM** for example - They worship all previous Gurus for their wisdom and insight, and as that leader dies the new Guru adds his wisdom, as with Buddhism ... THE WORSHIP OF MAN IS IDOLATRY!

**TAOISM** for example - They worship the founder Lao Tze; a contemporary of Confucius ... THE WORSHIP OF MAN IS IDOLATRY!

**ZOROASTRIANISM** for example - They worship their founder...a good man but a man just the same THE WORSHIP OF MAN IS IDOLATRY!

**JUDAISM** for example - They worship one God, the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, following everything, especially the Torah, the first five books of the Old Testament, the Laws of Moses...but pass when it comes to accepting the New Testament for which they do not believe that Jesus Christ was and is the Messiah as promised in the OT and law of Moses. So,

although they may not be practicing IDOLATRY in worship (serious issue for centuries), they are still missing the essential and only link according to the New Testament, in which they and all people can be saved ([Acts 4:11-12](#)); first the Jew and then the Gentile ([Romans 2:9](#)). The Old Testament is full of the coming Messiah prophecy, and fulfilled with overwhelming evidences from scrolls, star charts and personal testimony.

**CHRISTIANITY** for example - They worship God as in Judaism, but go beyond the Old Testament while embracing the New Testament with the fulfillment of the promised Messiah as prophesied in the Old Testament scriptures. They believe in the Holy Trinity (Father, Son, Holy Spirit). It is this true and living God that has provided us the foundation and evidences in support of global laws, our calendar and clock, the positioning of our sun, moon, and stars, as well as the likes of understanding and appreciation for our hydrological cycle and oceanography etc.



## God's Strongest Weak People



**O**utside a relationship with the true and living God, our strengths and weaknesses rest upon our shoulders. For example, many struggle with money management.

Not until we realize that Jesus is everything He claims to be, inviting Him into our lives, asking Him to help us restore, rebuild and master this money management issue, can our weakness in this area become our strength. [He says in John 14:14](#): “Ask me anything in my name, and I will do it!” And James 4 says we do not have because we do not ask God with the right moves.

**KEY POINT:** So, I can ask God for anything, and He will give it to me? No! God’s word in Genesis 1:1 – Revelation 22:21 is evidently distinct from falsehood, and He knows our hearts and thoughts before we do, and secures His plan and gift of inheritance from greed, through multiple reference sources. Watch!

Whenever we reference [John 14:14](#), many assume we can ask for anything we want and expect God to provide it according to His word/promise. What is meant by the previous paragraph by God, securing His plan and gift of inheritance through multiple reference sources, is that although His word says He will provide us whatever we ask, we need to do so with the right motives and reasons. If we’re sincere or notso He knows!

[James 4:2-3](#) says: “Yet you don’t have what you want because you don’t ask God for it. And even when you ask, you don’t get it because your motives are all wrong—you want only what will give you pleasure.”

So God chooses to give us the desires of our hearts--- but we cannot abuse His word by adding or taking away bits and pieces, because [‘ALL’ of His word](#) is relevant. Also, using what sounds good, in expectation of an abundant blessing based on **John 14:14** without bringing **James 4:2-3** into the equation ... not to mention many other similar passage examples.

Prosperity preaching can mislead listeners, resulting in disappointment and discouragement, all because they were not provided the conditions behind the promise.

[God guides us in Deuteronomy 6:4-9](#) and even if an individual is misled by a false teacher who quotes **John 14:14** without explanation, then stumbles and falls, they have no one to blame but themselves. We cannot blame a false teacher because of our disobedience in not reading God’s word for ourselves ([Armour of God](#)), intended to protect us in recognizing such wrong leading. We need to know God’s conditions at all times.

[God tells us in 2 Corinthians 12:9](#), “My grace is all you need. My power works best in weakness.”



## Truth Must Replace Falsehood!



**P**aul humbles himself in [Philippians 4:13](#) by saying, “I can do all things in Christ who gives me strength,” meaning, not us but The Holy Spirit, the power of The Living God within us, is our strength.

No matter what religion one chooses to follow, we do so to fill a void; an unidentified emptiness within the soul that needs to be filled, better known as restlessness...or...no truth.

Although we don’t completely understand what this void is until [‘absolute truth’](#) has taken its place, it does help us, however, to recognize when and why people



today are so restless, on edge and always looking for quick-fix answers; perhaps ‘garbage in garbage out!’ Augustine said it best when he pinned; “The soul remains restless until it finds its rest in God.” So because falsehood has never known truth, the restlessness remains, and of no merit to man whatsoever.

Again reverting to me saying that if you are still looking for answers, being restless and without explanation, then that void is screaming to be filled.

If Jesus Christ is not front-row-center of our life, and we are striving to be living life in our own strength, rather than in and by His grace in faith, whose fault is this but our own? The Gospel of absolute truth is knocking at your door! Replace the ‘life-soul-stealing-lies,’ and live life as divinely intended under the power of The Holy Spirit; our helper, our comforter.

We see around us the result of prioritizing the physical and mental while leaving out the most important, the Spiritual. [Paul shares in 1 Timothy 4:8](#): “Physical

exercise has some value, but spiritual exercise is much more important, for it promises a reward in both this life and the next.”

As a brief example, having a perfectly fit body, absent of the spiritual connection, is gaining temporal gratification only and not the eternal.

Same idea, being mentally prepared to work with numbers, facts and figures, but being unwilling to act on that purpose, is again not God’s intention. His ultimate plan for us is to have a balanced ‘Spiritual,’ ‘Physical,’ and ‘Mental’ well being.

Our ‘Spiritual’ well being must take precedence for it is the Holy Spirit, the third part of the Holy Trinity that prepares our ‘Mental’ well being according to Christ's good and perfect will for us ([Romans 12:2](#)).

A humble, well equipped, and balanced mind is then able to steer the ‘Physical’ well being to a better understanding of its own needs to endure God’s overall intentions. A complete and sound balance of our ‘well

being' is essential for the challenges we will face in our stand for truth and its corresponding act of integrity.

Are You Content In The Valley Of The Shadows Of Death?

We are all sinners, one sin is no less of a sin than the other. The reason we struggle with gambling, drug addictions, vulgarity, anger, adultery, idolatry, envy, stealing or even murder, is because of that 'void' in need of being filled, and that can only happen by the grace of our living God, the finished works of Christ.

Falsehood or atheism are unable to satisfy these unquenchable desires because deception is unable to be healed by further deception. It needs truth!

Until man reconnects with his Creator, he remains like the solar systems that God has placed in the heavens, floating around in limbo, but without the reigns that keep them held fast to their boundaries.

Thus, within the unrepentant heart, remains this insatiable compulsion to sin in an attempt to satisfy that

which cannot be satisfied without knowing, living and serving in the absolute truth of our living God.

Without repentance we are left feeling antsy, restless and unable to sense [Paul's contentment in Philippians 4:11-12](#): “I have learned how to get along happily whether I have much or little. I know how to live on almost nothing or with everything. I have learned the secret of living in every situation, whether it is with a full stomach or empty, with plenty or little.”

In fairness, I don't believe the founders of false religions, set out with the wrong intentions. None the less, it is still false hope. The real culprit is pride.

Without caution, [satan sinks in his claws](#) into anyone who loves the spotlight. “Wow, they are worshipping me! All this is mine!” [Solomon says in Proverbs 16:18](#), “Pride goes before destruction and haughtiness before a fall.”

We mustn't however, lose focus of the fact that ‘Good people don't go to heaven...believers go to heaven,’ so it is essential we understand that following nice people,

good intentions or otherwise, cannot and will not get us into heaven.

Now considering we know the aforementioned to be accurate as found in the Holy Bible...that Jesus shares with us that [He is the only way to heaven in John 14:6](#), with no evidence to prove Him wrong, why butt heads?

We know and can see for ourselves from gamuts of overwhelming evidence that the Christian faith does not fit the mold for idolatry ... confirmed by definition in the Noah Webster 1828 dictionary, so fondly I ask, “Are you content in the valley of the shadows of death? Can you rest peacefully knowing for certain that if you breathe your last breath this evening, your spot in paradise is secure?”



## What Separates Jesus Christ From Falsehood?



**T**he Holy Bible is the ‘Living Word,’ from ‘The Living God,’ Jesus Christ {Father, Son, and Holy Spirit}, delivered to us by way of forty-plus God-inspired authors, never to be confused as in ‘Human Accomplishment’ (idolatry), noting that absolute truth can only come to us by means of ‘Divine Accomplishment’ ... ‘DIVINE’ means of truth.

For example, it would have been impossible for Muhammad to remember 6,237 verses in his Quran; A/ - it is not realistic from a memory perspective! B/ - God does not dictate, He inspires through the power

of the Holy Spirit. And, C/ - Islam does not believe in 'The Holy Spirit.'

Author lives to love all and judge none, and has had the privilege of meeting and enjoying the company of many who follow the Muslim faith. With that said, if ever asked as to why I am not a Muslim, my response would begin by directing them to a youtube video entitled: Ex Muslim Scholar now Preaching Crucified Christ.

All forty-plus, God-inspired authors of the Living Word, were unveiled in scripture as ordinary, meek and humble men, revealing strengths as well weaknesses, indicating God's inspirational power over each as they were guided on their way by the power of the Holy Spirit that ultimately provided us with 31,173 God-breathed verses and sixty-six books.

The Holy Bible is the most studied, ridiculed and critiqued book ever written, remaining the number one best-selling book on planet earth, as divinely intended.

The articulation of The Holy Bible is unprecedented in its delivery. It is said to be the most powerful message



ever written. Not just because it's Christian, but because it is the Living Word of God, Creator of all things, grounded on the rock of salvation.

Not all people who claim the Christian title, are true Christians. [Jesus says in Matthew 7:22-23](#) “On judgment day many will say to me, ‘Lord! Lord! We prophesied in your name and cast out demons in your name and performed many miracles in your name. But I will reply, I never knew you. Get away from me, you who break God’s laws.’”

If I was a prosperity, or holy healing preacher, I'd be concerned!

Countless lives have been changed at the soul, thanks to Jesus Christ and His word. Numerous authorities have tried to ban it. Some godless people have burned it. Many Christians have died to preserve it. But it continues to hold its own! Why?

One of Jesus' closest friends, Peter, wrote, “Above all, you must realize that no prophecy in Scripture ever came from the prophet's own understanding, or from

human initiative. No, those prophets were moved by the Holy Spirit, and they spoke from God.” ([2 Peter 1:20-21](#)) This identifies with God’s authenticity. This is how ‘He’ literally comes as part of every Bible purchased (the Living Word) because He is real! ... He is genuine, living in and outside His word!

[And in 2 Timothy 3:16](#), the apostle Paul reminded his student, Timothy, that “All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right.”

As you can see, the message from the Holy Bible is timeless, personal and powerful. It speaks to our deepest needs because of its *divine accomplishment*, contrary to human accomplishment (idolatry).

God’s word provides comfort, encouragement, hope, inspiration, and guidance that you can experience and feel deep in your soul. Answers to life’s most simple and confusing questions, as well as difficult problems, are at our fingertips thanks to the Holy Spirit; with us

24/7, 7 days a week, 365 days a year, any place, any time, to listen, resolve, guide and console.

The Holy Bible goes beyond being a book for life's problems. It is also made up of exciting adventures, inspiring stories, beautiful poetry, convicting messages, and the hope-giving life story of Jesus Christ in the flesh! It is truly God's roadmap to life for every heart that beats from conception.

Despite its many authors, all sixty-six books (Thirty-nine in the Old Testament and twenty-seven in the New Testament), the Holy Bible has one overall message ... that God loves us and has a plan and purpose for each and everyone of us, including eternal salvation ... and all we need to do is accept it.



## Jesus has a plan for your life



God is the One who prepares the plan for your life. [John 3:27](#) says, “No one can receive anything unless God gives it from heaven.” [In Jeremiah 29:11](#) we are told: “For I know the plans I have for you,” says the LORD. “They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope.” If you’re reading this, it’s fair to say God is attempting to get your attention.

God’s plan gives you meaning and direction. [We are told in Romans 12:2](#), “Don’t copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God’s will for you, which is good

and pleasing and perfect.” We all seek meaning and purpose in life, but we do so by turning to things and people (created), and not to God (Creator).

[Jesus tells us in John 8:12](#) (NLT), “I am the light of the world. If you follow me, you won’t have to walk in darkness, because you will have the light that leads to life.”

By aligning ourselves with the light of ‘The Living God,’ He guides us with endless direction as in [Proverbs 3:5-6 that teaches](#), “Trust in the LORD with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding. Seek his will in all you do, and he will show you which path to take.”

God’s plan brings you peace. [Jesus says in John 14:27](#), “I am leaving you with a gift—peace of mind and heart. And the peace I give is a gift the world cannot give. So don’t be troubled or afraid.” [And in Matthew 28:20](#), He confirms His position by saying, “I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”

Yes, there is peace in knowing that Jesus is with us at all times---and additionally---when you wake up working His plan for you, going in His direction, and with His meaning in your heart ... that is the electrifying peace of mind I'm getting at.

Blessings are overwhelming when Jesus Christ, the true King of kings, sits in the drivers' seat of our life. One might go as far as saying it to be exhilarating.

With that said, [He tells us plainly in John 15:5, 7](#): “Apart from me you can do nothing. But if you remain in me and my words remain in you, you may ask for anything you want, and it will be granted!” \*\*\* NO NOT \*\*\* as in a genie in a bottle ... but rather ... follow me, and be blessed with favor and anointing ... don't follow me, and struggle beyond what is necessary, needlessly.

God's plan is for you to live with Him in heaven for eternity. [Jesus tells us in John 3:16](#), “For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life.”

Before Eve, and then Adam, sinned ([Genesis 3](#)), they had a great relationship with God and could come into His physical presence. But after they sinned, they lost that relationship (CATCH THIS!) ... and could no longer experience His physical presence.

Sin separated them and all people from that time on from having that intimacy with God. But God, in His wonderful and marvelous mercy and grace, desired that relationship with His creation, so He provided a way to be cleansed of our sins (latter remembered no more) and to live with Him forever as intended, in heaven.

Voila ... He gave us His Son, Jesus Christ, who never sinned, to be the offering for our sin, so that we could be made right with God through Christ ([2 Corinthians 5:21](#)).

All we need to do is believe by faith. [Romans 10:9](#) tells us, “If you openly declare that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.” Done ... it is finished ... amen!





## Key points to secure your eternity in heaven



**W**e need to recognize that we are sinners. In [Romans 3:23](#) we are told, “For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God’s glorious standard.” [Romans 3:10](#) says, “No one is righteous— not even one.”

Because we are all sinners, no one deserves to spend eternity in heaven with God. Nor can this life be earned. God gives eternal life to everyone who calls on the name of His Son ([Acts 2:21](#)). To fully appreciate what Jesus can do for you, you need to confess your

Sins to God, asking His forgiveness. To ignore this is to forfeit God's gift of inheritance ([1 Peter 1:4](#)); your ticket into heaven.

[Colossians 1:22](#) says, "Yet now he has reconciled you to himself through the death of Christ in his physical body. As a result, he has brought you into his own presence, and you are holy and blameless as you stand before him without a single fault."

If you recognize that you are a sinner, then you may be ready to ask Jesus to forgive you.

Do you believe Jesus is the eternal Son of God, who died to pay for your sins? If yes, and you have never thanked Christ for dying for you, thank Him now in a simple prayer, such as: "*Lord, I thank you for paying the price for my sins. Please forgive me. I make you Lord & Savior of my life. Teach me and help me to trust in you alone. Amen.*"

**We need** to turn away from our sins. [1 John 3:9](#) says, "Those who have been born into God's family do not make a practice of sinning, because God's life is in

them. So they can't keep on sinning, because they are children of God.”

As a new Christian, it will take time to break free of your sinful nature. You have to want to be free of your former sinful lifestyle (no matter how good you are) and humble enough to ask Jesus for His help. He will carry you to any goal or through any struggle when you ask Him.

The sinful nature and your new spiritual nature will always be fighting within you for dominance. And considering the sinful nature has been with you since birth, you must appreciate the stronghold it has on you and to win the battle from sin, Jesus Christ is the only one who can help you. He loves you and will forgive you unconditionally when you ask Him to do so; His truth will set you free.

You are worthy in His eyes. No sin is too bad for God to forgive. We can all start over just by asking. And when you do this sincerely, He not only forgives you but writes your name in the Book of Life, never to see

death as man knows it to be. When your eyes close here, they open up there, in paradise (heaven).

[Jesus tells us in John 11:25](#), “I am the resurrection and the life. Anyone who believes in me will live, even after dying.”



## **The Bible is not**

The bible is not myths, fables, or wives tales!

[1 Timothy 4:7 \(NLT\) says,](#)

“Do not waste time arguing over godless ideas (myths) and old wives’ tales. Instead, train yourself to be godly.”

## A few suggestions

- Keep everything you hear, do and say referenced biblically!
- Get involved in a Bible-believing/teaching church. **NOTE:** [If the church you're considering does not believe the Holy Bible to be the 100% inspired, inerrant and infallible word of the living *God*, or makes reference to any other source of knowledge outside of the 'Holy Bible', (*New World Translation Bible or Book of Mormon or Ellen G. White for example*) then you need to turn and run Forest, run, because *God* is not #1 at that church, man is.] God does not need the help of man to read or understand His word.
- Develop the habit of daily bible study immediately. *Start slow*, live in grace, and let Him add to your learning, as you are ready. You will know when for you won't be able to get enough.



\*\*\* Read & reference [HERE](#) - Listen [HERE](#)

Get yourself an New Living Translation (**NLT**) Red Letter Bible (Amazon is a good place) ... Author uses same for ease of understanding and comprehension.

- **NOVICE** study suggestion: (*Brand new Christian*) Begin reading the book of John, the fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) book of the New Testament (NT) on a daily basis...a sentence, paragraph, a chapter or however God leads you without getting information overload. The book of John was written specifically for the Gentiles, the unbelievers...so new believers are encouraged to begin here ... then Matthew ... then Mark ... then to Luke, and through the balance of NT.
- **INTERMEDIATE** study suggestion: (*Four-Six months+ as Christian*) Add the Proverb of the day, example Proverbs 1 for January 01, Proverbs 2 for January 02, etcetera... (there are 31 Proverbs), along with your New Testament reading ... striving for a minimum of a chapter

from each (Proverbs & NT). You will truly be amazed at what begins to transpire in your life, as God unfolds His absolute truth & will to you.

- **MATURE** study suggestion: (*1 year or longer as a Christian*) You aim to have a system that will allow you to read through the bible in one year. A daily practice is to read two or three chapters from both the Old and New Testaments ... as well as your daily Proverbs and Psalm.

When one discovers how exciting the bible truly is, what begins perhaps as routine, quickly becomes habit-forming; enjoyable, refreshing and relaxing where life contentment takes on new meaning.

God will reveal Himself to you; the truth will set you free ... and in addition, the fruit of the spirit ([Galatians 5:16-26](#)) begins to impact those after God's own heart, as [His living word](#) comes to life within you.

Trusting, the Holy Spirit has inspired you to take these suggestions seriously, I would highly recommend for

you to add what is known as a daily devotion to your time table, perhaps ‘10’ minutes a day.

I would first encourage you to connect with a local body of believers in your home town and allow its leadership to direct you to a good devotional.

Just in case, for whatever reason, you are unable to, or feel uncomfortable doing so, here are three ministries that God has revealed to me over the past few years, convicting and directing me to correct my own self-righteous spirit, as ministries that He is showing abundant favor and blessings, as a result of their full and true obedience to Him and His living word ... teaching “ALL” of His word, and not “BITS & PIECES” as do their accusers, who are not being blessed as a result of pride and disobedience.

[Joel \(Victoria\) Osteen Ministries - \(Y.T.Channel\)](#)

[Creflo \(Taffy\) Dollar Ministries - \(Y.T.Channel\)](#)

[Kenneth \(Gloria\) Copeland Ministries - \(Y.T.Channel\)](#)

## **The evidence of it all! Science and the Bible**

Although this book is not intended to go much beyond the ideals of my convictions for the use of ‘Common Sense’ which stands on its own, I do feel it appropriate to add a few key attributes for mere interest sake.

Endless resources and evidence is available to anyone desirous to experience absolute truth, as found only in ‘The Holy Bible,’ the foundation and root of the ‘Christian’ faith and our existence.

Contrary to popular belief, even now in the twenty-first century, that the Bible is built upon scientific inaccuracies and misconceptions, is the furthest thing from truth. Students are often given the impression that numerous scientific fallacies, including a flat earth and a geocentric universe, are found within its pages.

However, when the biblical text is carefully examined, the reader quickly discovers grounded truth; scientific accuracy unparalleled by any document of antiquity.

Within the text of the Holy Bible, we find an extraordinary number of obvious and undeniable statements regarding the creation and design of the universe, planet earth, and its life forms. The Bible describes scientific phenomena in common terminology with unmistakable clarity.

In virtually all ancient religious documents, scientific inaccuracy and mythology is commonplace regarding the nature of the universe and the life forms on planet earth. Any cursory review of ancient mythology will readily confirm this statement.

The Bible, however, is unique because of the conspicuous absence of such myths. Not to mention that God, being an all Holy and Righteous God, cannot lie ([Psalm 89:35](#) | [Numbers 23:19](#) | [Hebrews 6:18](#) | [Isaiah 45:23](#) | [Luke 1:37](#)) let alone be deceptive. He addresses the falsehood of myths in [1 Timothy 4:7](#), noted in the previous chapters.

Throughout the Bible, we find scientifically accurate concepts about the physical universe that were not

“discovered” by modern scientists until very recent times. This scientific foreknowledge, written thousands of years before its modern discovery, is evidence that the distinctly selected and inspired men of God who penned the Bible had “*inside information.*”

As you will see for yourself, it becomes evident that the author of life and the physical universe is, in fact, [JESUS CHRIST LIVING GOD](#), the true source of all “*inside information.*”

**Cosmology:** The fact that matter can neither be created nor destroyed (*the First Law of Thermodynamics*) and the universal law of decay (*the Second Law of Thermodynamics*) is clearly taught in the Bible.

**Time, Space, and Matter:** In the [Very first verse of the Bible, Genesis 1:1](#), we find remarkable evidence of supernatural authorship. “At the beginning (time), God created the heavens (space) and the earth (matter).” Not until the twentieth century, after thousands of years of speculation, did physicists confirm that the universe, at its foundation, consisted of time, space and

matter. Since God created the earth, this foreknowledge has been there awaiting our discovery as proof that He is the great ['I Am.'](#)

**The Hosts of Heaven:** At the time the Bible was penned (*Approx 1500 B.C*) there were no telescopes to aid in the study of the cosmos. On a clear night, unencumbered by the light of the moon, only about 3000-4000 stars could be seen with the unaided eye.

Yet in the eighth century B.C., God told the prophet [Jeremiah in Jeremiah 33:22](#) that the number of stars could not be numbered: *“And as the stars cannot be counted and the sand on the seashores cannot be measured, so I will multiply the descendants of David, my servant, and the Levites who minister before me.”*

When Jeremiah wrote this verse, there was no way he could have known that the stars were innumerable. In fact, in the eighth century B.C., astronomers believed that it was possible to number the stars as evidenced by the many star charts that were done before the advent of the telescope. Astronomers now estimate that there

are at least 100 billion stars in our Milky Way galaxy and 100 billion galaxies in the universe. For anyone to number the “hosts of heaven” (the total number of stars) would be a truly impossible task. Counting at a rate of ten stars per second it would take over 100 trillion years.

**The Rising of the Sun:** Some of the most accurate scientific statements in the Bible are concerning the nature of our solar system. Nearly 3000 years ago, the psalmist, David, inspired by God, wrote that the sun follows a circuit or circular path through the universe.

[In Psalm 19:6](#) we read: “The sun rises at one end of the heavens and follows its course to the other end. Nothing can hide from its heat.” Although critics have argued for years that David was simply proclaiming that the sun rotated around the earth, the term “sunrise” is a common phrase used by astrophysicists and is not intended to be a scientific declaration. Thanks to astronomers, we know that the sun is part of an enormous spiral galaxy, the milky way and that it moves in a “circuit” or circular course, at speeds approaching



600,000 miles per hour within one of the spiral arms of the milky way galaxy.

In addition to this, the Milky Way itself hurtles through space at an estimated speed of 2,000,000 miles per hour. Without “*inside information*” from an extraterrestrial source, there is no way that David could have possessed such incredible insight.

**The Flat Earth:** Nowhere in the Holy Bible is a flat earth proclaimed, this comes from when John makes reference in [Revelation 7:1](#) to the “four corners” of the earth. The literal translation from the original Greek text is the “four quarters” of the earth, as in the four directions (north, south, west, and east) which is used in standard surveying and mapping today.

However, despite contrary assertions, the fact of a spherical earth was clearly proclaimed by the prophet Isaiah. [We read in Isaiah 40:22](#), “God sits above the circle of the earth. The people below seem like grasshoppers to him! He spreads out the heavens like a curtain and makes his tent from them.” When Isaiah

wrote this verse, he used the Hebrew word “[khug](#)” to describe the shape of the earth. Although this word is commonly translated into the English word “circle,” the literal meaning is “a sphere.” See also GotQuestions’ [Does Bible Teach Earth is Flat?](#)

**Atlas, Elephants, Turtles or Job:** Throughout the century’s philosophers, theologians and scientists have speculated about the resting place of planet earth. Upon what or whom the earth is resting became an important part of mythology in many ancient cultures. To the ancient Greeks, the candidates were Atlas and Hercules. The Hindus believed that elephants or turtles were the pillars upon which the earth rested. The fact of free-floating earth in a world where objects fall rapidly to their destruction, such a suggestion must have been terrifying.

However, in the book of Job, commonly believed to be the oldest book in the Holy Bible, we find an astonishing piece of scientific foreknowledge. While speaking of the incredible power of God, [Job states of](#)

[the earth in Job 26:7](#) “God stretches the northern sky over empty space and hangs the earth on nothing.”

**Physics:** One of the most significant discoveries of the last one hundred years is the elucidation of the structure of the atom. All matter in the universe consists of atoms, or their component parts, protons, neutrons or electrons. These are in turn composed of smaller sub-atomic particles such as quarks, pions, gluons etcetera.

The author of the book of Hebrews, whom many scholars believe to have been Paul, delivers to us [in Hebrews 11:3](#) what seems to anticipate atomic structure that reads as such: “By faith we understand that the entire universe was formed at God’s command, that what we now see did not come from anything that can be seen.”

We are seeing here at a time when the basic structure of matter was unknown, another of God’s appointed leaders is accurately describing the fact that the matter we can see is made of particles which are not visible in natural light.

Also in 2 Peter 3:10 (NKJ) Peter is referring to the result of an atomic explosion, as the elements involved “melt with fervent heat.”

[2 Peter 3:10 \(NKJ\)](#) reads as follows: “But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up.” Peter is describing aspects of the subatomic structure as well as the results of nuclear fission almost two thousand years ahead of time.

**Oceanography:** In 1855 Matthew Fontaine Maury (1806-1873), the “[Father of Oceanography](#),” published a book on his remarkable discovery that the oceans possess predictable currents or paths. He encouraged sailors to use these shipping paths to increase efficiency and decrease the number of accidents.

Though Maury’s discovery was indeed crucial to his time, almost twenty-eight centuries earlier David, God’s ordained and beloved psalmist, inspired of God,

added to the scriptures [Psalm 8:8 which reads](#), “The birds in the sky, the fish in the sea, and everything that swims the ocean currents.” When these verses were written (circa. 1100-586 B.C.) the only seas known to the ancient Hebrews were the Mediterranean and Red Seas as well as the large inland lakes (The Dead Sea and the Sea of Galilee).

None of these bodies of water possess significant observable currents. Matthew Maury’s discovery was based on observational data collected from the fifteenth to nineteenth centuries A.D., thousands of years after that very concept was made public by God through His psalmist David.

**The Hydrologic Cycle:** Nearly 300 years ago European scientists [Pierre Perrault and Edme Mariotte](#) collected evidence about the flow of the Seine River that eventually led to an accurate and detailed understanding of the water cycle on planet Earth. During the Middle Ages, the source of rainwater was something of a mystery. The observations of Perrault,

Mariotte, and others eventually led to the discovery that rain clouds develop from evaporation of ocean water.

Job, however, beat them to it...all according to God's planning, by about four thousand years as God shared through him [in Job 36:27-28](#), "He draws up the water vapor and then distills it into rain. The rain pours down from the clouds, and everyone benefits from it."

Centuries later, King Solomon, King David's son, wrote in the [Book of Ecclesiastes 1:6-7](#), "The wind blows south, and then turns north. Around and around it goes, blowing in circles. Rivers run into the sea, but the sea is never full. Then the water returns again to the rivers and flows out again to the sea."

King Solomon lived about three thousand years ago and is providing an accurate and astonishing description of the circular flow of air around the earth, called the "jet stream," well known to anyone who watches the evening news and weather reports.

King Solomon understood the source of how river water came from the oceans by stating, "Then the water

returns again to the rivers and flows out again to the sea.’

And the prophet Amos nearly 2700 years ago stated [in Amos 9:6](#), “The LORD’s home reaches up to the heavens, while its foundation is on the earth. He draws up water from the oceans and pours it down as rain on the land. The LORD is his name!”

When we see in the living word of God that the source of rainwater is oceanic evaporation, known nearly twenty-five hundred years before the eighteenth-century scientists made what the new world assumed to be the first of a great discovery, my appreciation is deepened, and I give thanks daily for His wisdom, knowledge, and understanding, granted me by grace.

**Medical Science:** In the book of Genesis, God specifically directed Abraham to circumcise all newborn males [on the eighth day \(Genesis 17:12\)](#). Why the eighth day? Twentieth-century scientists discovered that when an infant is born, the blood clotting

mechanism is immature. Any cut or injury in the first few days of life can result in excessive bleeding.

After several days of life, the vitamin K in the infant's diet allows for a vital blood clotting factor, called [Prothrombin](#), to be produced in sufficient amounts to effect efficient clotting of the blood.

Today, infants are given an injection of vitamin K at birth (*Human Accomplishment*). Consequently, efficient blood clotting is established within hours. Without such therapy, it turns out that the Prothrombin concentration reaches its peak on the eighth day of life (*Divine Accomplishment*).

It appears that Abraham also had “inside information” from the One who created the clotting mechanism in the first place.

The Holy Bible provides us dozens of additional examples of Bio-medical knowledge, and here are a few more.



[In the book of Deuteronomy 23:12-14](#), Moses instructed the Israelites to bury human waste products for hygienic purposes.

While obvious to us now, during the Middle Ages, Europe was nearly wiped out, failing to heed this advice. As a result of dumping human waste into the streets, millions of people died from the “Black Plague,” a disease caused by the microscopic organism ‘*Yersinia Pestis*. These organisms thrived in human waste and were carried into the homes by fleas on the backs of rats. Had they followed God’s simple biblical teaching, (*common sense*) these plagues could have been avoided.

[In Leviticus 17:11](#) God stated that “for the life of the body is in its blood. I have given you the blood on the altar to purify you, making you right with the LORD. It is the blood, given in exchange for a life, that makes purification possible.”

What God is implying when He says, “the life of the body is in its blood,” is that blood contains vital

ingredients that sustain the life of animals and man. Although a prominent piece of information, this was not always the case in beliefs.

In recent times it was believed that the blood needed to be “let out” when people fell ill---thus the practice known as “blood-letting” (draining the blood out of an individual) in an attempt to rid the body of unwanted poisons. As you may have guessed, many died. In fact, [George Washington](#) was a victim of this very procedure at the end of his life.

In the twentieth century, medical science has proven true with this statement by Moses, as the blood of man and animals certainly does carry all the necessary nutrients for the maintenance and repair of living systems. Without a functioning cardiovascular system and adequate supply of blood, there can be no life---something Moses understood nearly 3500 years prior.

We must admit, this is all a little too coincidental, to say the least!

## **Would Jesus read His horoscope? Should we?**

I saw an article, one time written by Lindy Keffer, who lives in Colorado Springs and works with the Focus on the Family Institute for college students, entitled, “Would Jesus Read His Horoscope?” and couldn’t pass it up.

No, this doesn’t have to do with facts per se, however, it does border on my ideals in supporting logic and common sense. A horoscope is a chart of the positions of the sun, moon, and planets, created with the belief that the placement of those celestial bodies affects our lives. Horoscopes are about as credible as Elephants or Turtles being the pillars on which our planet earth rests itself, according to one religious’ belief.

People throughout the ages have sought to know the future. Many have tried to figure it out by consulting a medium, a fortune-teller or star chart. The real question should be; after seeing the weaknesses behind eleven of

the faiths mentioned above, does God want me to know my future? No, He does not!

Pseudo Psychology of any form, palm reading, fortune-telling, or so-called profilers, have zero substantiated proof to support them. A-little-bit-of-something-for-everyone, is their magical formula used to draw in desperate seekers.

Through the prophet Isaiah, God speaks of ‘astrologers [and] stargazers who work the odds in making predictions and says, “[But they are like straw burning in a fire; they cannot save themselves from the flame.](#)” [Isaiah 47:13-14](#). He is saying that gathering information about the future from sources other than those He has provided is meaningless and will end in destruction. Anyone seeking absolute truth, especially God’s children, should consult Him who created all truth, and not man’s idea of quick-fix results from wishful thinking and horoscopes!

Lindy goes on to share with us that the reason God doesn’t give us an easy way like a horoscope, palm

reader, or psychic etcetera, is that if we knew exactly what our future held, we wouldn't need Him.

In addition, God has given us resources for walking confidently into the future: His word, The Holy Spirit, and the wise counsel of godly people. Each of these resources provides us with all we need to know about living today and facing tomorrow. They also keep us in healthy relationships with God and others.

We are [referred to Matthew 24:36](#) that reads, “However, no one knows the day or hour when these things will happen, not even the angels in heaven or the Son himself. Only the Father knows.”

Since, Jesus Christ, the Son of our living God is unaware of His glorious return, and considering our discussion earlier, ‘Is your faith Idolatry,’ showing the Christian faith as being the only absolute truth to substantiate itself as ‘Divine,’ then we should remain content without need to worry about our future; The Holy Spirit is in control!

*So would Jesus be reading His horoscope?*

Let's just say, if His (our), Heavenly Father, who spoke the world into being through Him ([John 1:3](#)), therefore knowing all things, and doing only what His Father tells Him to do ([John 5:30](#)) without waiver, through to obedience of dying on a cross without sin ([Hebrews 9:14](#)), for the sins of all the world ([1 John 2:2](#)) ... it's fair and makes perfect inerrant and infallible sense to emphatically proclaim ... ABSOLUTELY NOT!

## Speaking of Credibility

Is there really any other book on planet earth with so much information and knowledge to be found within its pages for life, sustenance and our wellbeing?

And it makes perfect sense that the nation most mentioned in the Holy Bible is Israel.

However, did you know the second most mentioned nation is Iraq. Although the name, 'Iraq' does not appear, Babylon, Shinar, and Mesopotamia do, which are today known as Iraq.

1. The Garden of Eden was in Iraq! (Genesis 2, 3, Ezekiel 36, Joel 2)
2. Adam and Eve were created in Iraq! (Genesis 2:7-8)
3. Satan made his first recorded appearance in Iraq! (Genesis 3:1-6)

4. Mesopotamia, now Iraq, was the cradle of civilization! (Genesis 24, Deuteronomy 23, Judges 3, 1 Chronicles 19, Acts 2, 7)
5. Noah built the Ark in Iraq! (Genesis 6)
6. The Tower of Babel was in Iraq! (Genesis 11:1-7)
7. The confusion of languages took place in Iraq! (Genesis 11:7-9)
8. Abraham was from Ur, which is in Southern Iraq! (Genesis 11, 15, 1 Chronicles 11, Nehemiah 9)
9. Isaac's wife Rebekah was from Nahor, which is in Iraq! {as in God's promised son to Abraham and Sarah} (Genesis 15:4, Genesis 21:1-7, Genesis 24)
10. Jacob (as in Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob) met Rachel in Iraq! (Genesis 28, 29)
11. Jonah (as in Jonah and the whale) preached in Nineveh, (Jonah 3) which is Iraq!



12. Assyria, which was in Iraq, conquered the ten tribes of Israel! (2 Kings)
13. Amos cried out in Iraq! (The book of Amos)
1. Babylon, which is in Iraq, destroyed Jerusalem! (2 Chronicles 36:17, 2 Kings 25, Jeremiah 52)
2. The 3 Hebrew children were in the fire in Iraq! (Daniel 3)
3. Belshazzar, the King of Babylon, saw the ‘writing on the wall’ in Iraq! (Daniel 5)
4. Daniel was in the lion’s den in Iraq! (Daniel 6:16-23)
5. Nebuchadnezzar, King of Babylon, carried the captive Jews into Iraq! (2 Kings 24:8-17)
6. Ezekiel preached in Iraq! (Ezekiel 24:1-14)

## Come to me – Devotion

On October 08, 2005, a devotion for the day from ‘Our Daily Bread’ ([RBC.net](http://RBC.net)) was entitled, ‘Come to me’. It offers some critical answers to questions concerning, ‘what does God have that I need?’ Take a look!

When Jesus lived on earth, He invited people to come to Him, and He still does today...”I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry again. Whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.” ([John 6:35](#))

But what does He and His Father in heaven have that I/we need?

SALVATION: Jesus is the only way to have forgiveness of sin and the promise of heaven. “everyone who believes in him will have eternal life.” ([John 3:15](#)) [Reconnected back with God]

PURPOSE: By faith we trust with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength in Jesus. “If any of you

wants to be my follower, you must give up your own way, take up your cross, and follow me.” ([Mark 8:34](#))

COMFORT: In trial or sorrow, the “All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is our merciful Father and the source of all comfort. He comforts us in all our troubles so that we can comfort others. When they are troubled, we will be able to give them the same comfort God has given us.” ([2 Corinthians 1:3-4](#))

WISDOM: We need wisdom beyond our own for making decisions. “If you need wisdom, ask our generous God, and he will give it to you. He will not rebuke you for asking.” ([James 1:5](#))

STRENGTH: When we’re weary, “The LORD gives his people strength. The LORD blesses them with peace.” ([Psalm 29:11](#))

ABUNDANT LIFE: The fullest life is found in a relationship with Jesus. “My purpose is to give them a rich and satisfying life.” ([John 10:10](#)) Jesus said,

“However, those the Father has given me will come to me, and I will never reject them.” ([John 6:37](#))

So what could be better than knowing you have secured your eternal *salvation*? When your time is finished on earth, today, tomorrow, next week, next year or fifty years from now, you are guaranteed a spot in heaven!

Until that time, you know with confidence you can enjoy life with meaning and a *purpose* that only you can accomplish using your unique gifts and talents

While facing the trials and tribulations of life, you have the *comfort* of knowing that Jesus Christ, the President/CEO of the universe is right beside you every step of the way, never leaving you nor forsaking you... ([Deuteronomy 31:6](#))

Having knowledge is a blessing, but having the *wisdom* to know what to do with said knowledge is yet another. “In him lie hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.” ([Colossians 2:3](#)).

Imagine having the *strength* to endure the impossible because our strength comes from Him who gives life [\(Philippians 4:13\)](#) to be living an *abundant life*, content with much or with little.

My friend, it's the plan, the meaning, the purpose, the direction and the peace of mind of knowing that you are in control, by giving up control, to the very one who instilled the breath of life within you; and to this day, "Your word is a lamp to guide my feet and a light for my path" [\(Psalm 119:105\)](#).

## Beyond Man!

I want to share two scriptural references that go beyond man's insight. Many people, including Albert Einstein are renowned for countless documented statements full of wisdom no doubt. But true wisdom, that which can cleanse the heart and mind and save the soul, can only come from the Creator, not the created.

Paul, formerly known as Saul of Tarsus, a persecutor of Christians in an unsaved body with hate in his heart, is suddenly sharing a message of love with the very people, whom only months before, he would have personally executed.

1. [Philippians 4:8](#), reads as follows: **8** “And now, dear brothers and sisters, one final thing. Fix your thoughts on what is true, and honorable, and right, and pure, and lovely, and admirable. Think about things that are excellent and worthy of praise.”
2. [Romans 12:9-16](#), reads as follows: **9** Don't just pretend to love others. Really love them. Hate what is wrong. Hold tightly to what is good. **10** Love each

other with genuine affection, and take delight in honoring each other. **11** Never be lazy, but work hard and serve the Lord enthusiastically. **12** Rejoice in our confident hope. Be patient in trouble, and keep on praying. **13** When God's people are in need, be ready to help them. Always be eager to practice hospitality. **14** Bless those who persecute you. Don't curse them; pray that God will bless them. **15** Be happy with those who are happy, and weep with those who weep. **16** Live in harmony with each other. Don't be too proud to enjoy the company of ordinary people. And don't think you know it all!

These two verses speak loud and clear of our current times, but not necessarily in how we respond, and guilty also, is yours truly.

The changed life of Paul is clear, as seen in these scriptural references. We need to see this for what it really is---the intention of God and not the work of man; rebellion. Man and his wisdom, insights, and ideas cannot change a heart. The created can have all he needs from the Creator. A servant is never greater than

his master. God is our 'Master' and 'Maker;' we must learn to respect that.

For Paul or any man, to experience life-transforming change as referenced above, with a heart that is no longer self-seeking and humbled beyond his capabilities, is the evident grace of Jesus Christ.

Man cannot follow man-made religion (founded by one human being for example), and expect the heart to experience this magnitude of change.

To go from murderer to lover, from thief to law-abiding citizen, from adulterer to one spouse, is found only in the love and forgiveness of an all-loving and gracious Savior. Man must repent!

Jesus Christ has given us the freedom to decide, 'for Him' or 'against Him.' He does this in utmost humility because there is no in-between ... no luke-warm. [\(Revelation 3:16\)](#)



The choice we make will decide our eternity. He wants us to spend it with Him, but He also knows that choice must be our own.

Have you ever pondered the words, Heaven ~ Eternity ~ Salvation or Truth? Go back to the beginning of this book, 'Let's Get Started!'

When millions monthly are seeking out answers about heaven, eternity, salvation, truth, hell, relationships, religion, and/or anything regarding our culture today, then it becomes evident we need help beyond what man-made notions, tips, ideals, and solutions can offer.

Our help lies with the Creator; an all-loving, all-forgiving, Holy and Righteous living God, who divinely has our best interest at heart, making it crazy easy ... to place our trust in His very own Son, who died on a cross for our sins, [that we might live, even though we die](#) ... if we would just place our trust and faith in Him.

## Apples to Apples 2

I want to share an analogy at this time, however, as you will see, it doesn't matter if I were Muslim, Hindu, Christian, or of any other faith, it would make no difference to the end result.

Let's say you want to know about life-after-death, and three of your closest friends, A/ a Christian, B/ a Muslim, C/a Buddhist, have offered you their insight.

This is for illustrational purposes only and not meant to infer any bias. As I have mentioned before, if I felt at anytime the evidence available, including the common sense of it all, was falling short of knowing where I go when I die, then the Christian faith would be moved to the back burner until I could satisfy the missing links.

We are also assuming in fairness that these friends (Christian/Muslim/Buddhist) have an equally balanced perspective on life and you have asked of each of them,

to share in 100 words or less, their beliefs regarding life-after-death.

With that said

**Your Christian friend says** to you: "The Holy Bible (40 authors) teaches in [Romans 10:9](#), that *"If you openly declare that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved."* And Jesus tells us in [John 3:16](#), *"For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life."* Also He says in [John 14:6](#), *"I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me."*

**Your Muslim friend says to you:** "The first thing created by God was the intellect. He who wishes to enter paradise at the best door must please his mother and father. *"Be quick in the race for forgiveness from your Lord, and for a Garden (paradise) whose width is that of the heavens and of the earth, prepared for the righteous - Those who spend (freely), whether in prosperity or in adversity, who restrain (their) anger and pardon (all) men - for God loves those who do good."*

[Chapter 3, Verses 133-134](#) (The Quran – 1 author) Be kind to others, please your mother and father, and reside in heaven.’

**Your Buddhist friend says to you:** With much enlightenment, our fundamental belief, amongst many, involves reincarnation: the concept that one must go through many cycles of birth, living, and death. After many such cycles, if a person releases their attachment to desire and the self, they can attain [Nirvana](#) - a state of liberation and freedom from suffering. We have Three Training Practices; *Sila, Samadhi* and *Prajna* --- Four Noble Truths; *Dukkha, Samudaya, Nirodha, Magga* --Five Precepts; *Do not kill, Do not steal, do not lie, do not misuse sex, do not consume alcohol or other drugs*, and an Eight Fold Path; *discernment, virtue, meditation*.

Your Christian friend has pointed out:

- 40 different authors

- Only through faith in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, are we saved, being allowed to enter into heaven
- Regarding heaven and hell, when you die you go to heaven or hell, one or the other
- And Jesus says that through Him by faith and not by works is the only way to the Father (heaven).

Your Muslim friend has pointed out:

- 1 Author/Founder is acknowledged
- The first thing God created was ‘intellect.’
- Your best door entrance into paradise (heaven), is by pleasing your mother and father
- Being good will get you into heaven

Your Buddhist friend has pointed out:

- Many authors (ongoing Buddha's and enlightenment)
- Life goes on indefinitely (reincarnation)
- If a person after many births, living and death experiences, releases their attachment to desire and the self, they can attain Nirvana
- They follow three training practices, four noble truths, five precepts, and an eight-fold path.

Now without considering any other information than what has been provided here by your friends, which life-after-death path will you entrust your soul, if any?

### CRITIQUE OF BUDDHIST RESPONSE

Buddhism is led by many different men who claim to have reached enlightenment, (a total understanding of life, our needs, and how to resolve/avoid problems). But who is to know who has actually achieved this so-called, enlightenment? They don't have a god to pray to, so to whom or to what are they mediating or praying

to, other than themselves and a stone/wooden statue? *Is this not worldly wisdom?* One believes we have a soul, the other does not. Founding Buddha was first a Hindu.

If all Buddha's are wise, and considering that the very first [Buddha was born in 563 B.C.](#), then what about the years before him and all in between?

How then can one man who claims to have found enlightenment, which there is no way of measuring it's attainment, claim to have all the answers the world requires, and be worthy of being worshipped forever and placing our trust for eternal security? Nothing is mentioned of heaven!

Reincarnation! Where is the proof? What evidence is there, especially when the founder is a human being like the rest of us, who showed up on the scene after the world had already been in existence and then died a normal human life at the age of 80, and who is still in the grave?

Important! Buddhism claims that when a person *after many births, living, and death experiences*, releases their attachment to desire and the self, they can attain Nirvana, the blissful state to ending all suffering.

HOWEVER, when their first leader died at age 80 (Siddhartha Gautama) the Buddhist's say he entered this Nirvana...but how is this possible when they claim that this only happens after many birth, life and death cycles; how is this person's multiple births, living and death cycles substantiated to make such claims?

Who is to know that this man indeed released himself from desire and self...and if so ... how or why did he accomplish such a feat the first time and not in his second, third or whatever numbers of lives? Reincarnation has no evidence in itself! No other sources, or reasonable cause exists to assume more than one lifetime was lived by each Buddha--those to come and die; no second birth, life, or death.

CRITIQUE OF MUSLIM RESPONSE



The Muslim faith has one author/founder, (Muhammad). This again is another 'man' not 'God' who made claim that god spoke to him and provided him a revelation. But what evidence is there of this, other than 'his' writings to be found in his Quran?

Muslims claim that the first thing God created was the [intellect](#) (the pen ???). If it was intellect, who did 'his god' create this intellect for? And if 'his god' were all holy and righteous, mighty and powerful, as one would expect from being a 'god,' then it would make sense to implant the intellect within each creation at the time of creating and prior to 'his god' creating humans, then he would be the 'intellect'.

To say intellect was the first thing created, is like putting the cart before his horse, is it not?

To enter the best door to paradise (heaven) one needs to be good to their mother and father. How good? What is good? What about being good to others? The whole point of having a true and living God is to know and understand that He is the potter, we are the clay.

## CRITIQUE OF CHRISTIAN RESPONSE

The Christian faith is supported by forty authors. Forty persons to one person is a huge difference. Even in a court of law, two or more witnesses are needed for a case to be heard. Forty different authors, at varying times and places, all found to be in perfect sync and harmony in their writings, with many being martyred hundreds of miles apart from each other, refusing to deny what they had personally witnessed is unprecedented and distinct of man-made religion.

To consider that a sinner can defeat death in moments by confessing their belief in Jesus Christ is intriguing. This simple act of faith is far more comforting and realistic than leaving to chance that we may live another life (*without evidence to support it*) or wondering if we were good enough (*how good is good enough?*).

The cut and dried concept of heaven and hell is transparent, fair and not left in limbo. As well, being told there is only one way to heaven, with no rituals or conditions attached, (*other than obedience*) all based on

faith, is more in line with what one would think to be a holy, righteous and all-forgiving Creator.

\*\*\* The ultimate decision must come from each of us. We have the freedom to believe or not to believe --- to believe in what we choose, and to decide and see for ourselves, how the wisdom of the created and the wisdom of the Creator are like night and day, with eternal consequences at stake.

Logic alone says, there are forty authors of one faith, side-by-side of only one founder of countless others, two in this example alone, with zero evidence to support the claims, other than one man's testimony.

In fairness, there is no debate! If I were on trial for murder and one lawyer wishing to represent me had forty witnesses to prove my innocence, and another had only one witness, I'd be hiring the first lawyer on logic and common sense alone ... and confident a million in a similar position would do the same.

**THE GREAT DECEPTION** by Susan Graham  
Mathis

Said article was found in the October 2005 edition of 'Focus on the Family' magazine at a dental office.

Yoga was the only physical education class opened, so I signed up. The exercises seemed to bring some peace from the stresses of college life. But soon the simple yoga class became a teaching session for transcendental meditation, claiming to relax and rejuvenate through yoga's system of sitting, chanting and breathing. The goal was to find the god within, to ultimately become "one with god."

I had no idea of the dangers, even though I grew up in the church. Like many other collegians, I was still forming my worldview. But that seemingly innocent gym class led me deep into new age spirituality. Its practices opened me up to deception, spiritual bondage, and confusion --- and I didn't even realize it was happening.

The cold, hard truth

New age spirituality and its knockoffs reject the spiritual realities of the Bible, while often using biblical ideas or Christian jargon. According to Chuck Colson, “[New age spirituality] assuages the ego by pronouncing the individual divine, and it gives a gratifying sense of spirituality without making any demands in terms of doctrinal commitment or ethical living.”

While the Bible teaches that prayer and spiritual growth require you to use your mind and soul, new age requires you to empty yourself of thoughts to become enlightened relying only on feelings. In the book of [Romans 12:1-2](#), we are directed not to leave our minds. Biblical meditation expects you to engage your mind and to understand how to apply God’s Word to your life in today’s complex culture.

New age teaches you should no longer believe the “archaic idea of sin,” you simply need to achieve “higher consciousness.” Through meditation, it says, a person can become “divine” apart from God. But [Romans 8:5](#) says our sinful nature sets our mind on

natural desires, and that's exactly where spirituality apart from God takes us.

Many other beliefs are associated with new age': If you feel something is true, then it's true. The intellect is too limited; trust your instincts and feelings. Only by reuniting with the god within do we become free. There is no real evil, only ignorance; no real redemption, only enlightenment. All religions are the same. There's no supreme being, just a cosmic force. New age promises optimistic utopian newness, peace, harmony, and unity, but it provides none of it.

“[New age teaches] that we are saved not by trusting a transcendent God who reaches down to us in grace, but by realizing that God is within us, that we are God.

Salvation is not a matter of recognizing our sin; it's a matter of raising our consciousness until we realize our inner divinity,” Colson says.

“The new age god, who is little more than a warm feeling within or at worst a dabbling in occult powers,

is merely a ratification of whatever the human ego wants.”

### **The spiritual danger**

I was a student teaching at a progressive middle school when I noticed something unusual. Every day the kids went to the library for a 20-minute relaxation session -- a thinly veiled time of transcendental meditation --- with the librarian. It was called “library time,” so neither parents nor teachers suspected a thing.

Throughout the semester, I watched those children change from bright-eyed fourth graders to sullen, dark, and sometimes mean children. I’d been noticing similar changes in my own life. What began as a seemingly good idea for relaxation and stress relief had introduced unwanted and scary changes in the children *and* me. What was happening?

[2 Corinthians 11:14](#) says Satan masquerades as an angel of light, and I met that awful angel on my journey of the new age. Until I realized I was being deceived by false enlightenment, I was caught in its trap.

“New age practices are not merely psychological exercises. They’re spiritual practices, and they may well tap into alien and dangerous spiritual realms,” Colson says. “Christians ought to realize the danger of contacting any spiritual force other than the God of the Bible. The Bible warns that when we dabble in the spiritual world even with the best of intentions we may actually make contact with the demonic.”

Fortunately for me, two Christian professors --- my geology and philosophy professors of all people shared with me about the dangers of spirituality apart from God’s Word and the reality of who Christ is. The truth delivered me from the grips of the lies.

I learned that only by trusting in Jesus, getting to know Him personally, trusting His word and talking to Him through prayer, could I know the truth. I’ve enjoyed living in this truth ever since.

As an innocent P.E. student who was sucked into a lie, I’m keenly aware of the forces that can influence a person’s world for eternity. Our children, young



people, and neighbors need to understand the deception awaiting them in their gym classes or on their campuses, whether they are a fourth-grader, a collegian or an adult just taking an exercise class.

Susan goes on to share, “Activities that can be an entrance into new age spirituality:”

- Meditation , yoga, holistic health, chiropractic healing, and therapeutic touch – *when used with a spiritual component* personal spirituality, transcendental meditation, “higher self” teaching, chanting, channeling, dreamwork, tarot cards, re-imaging, crystals, guided imagery, aligned energyfields, angel contact, soul brightening, tai chi, past-life therapy, horoscopes, astrology, reincarnation, communicating with the dead,
- Psychic powers, spiritual messengers, sacred psychology, rebirthing, Silva Mind control, life force teachings, higher consciousness, universal

mind, karma, aura detecting, hypnosis, illicit drug use, Mother Earth worship, divination.

“Other names, roots or forms of new age spirituality:”

- Cosmic Humanism, Zen, Relativism, Spiritualism, Spiritism, Taoism, Gnosticism, Theosophy, Monism, Scientology, Wicca, Ancient folk religions, Animism, Nature worship, Pantheism, Neopaganism, The Goddess Movement, Kabbalah.

End of quote: From Susan Graham Mathis

## Third-Party Credibility

Two prolific websites that I have come to reference often are, [www.answersingenesis.org](http://www.answersingenesis.org), and [www.creationmoments.com](http://www.creationmoments.com). Both, non-biased sites, can back up the Christian faith far better than I.

*[I have no connection with these sites or their founders.]*

These sites provide ongoing, upto-date evidence in support of a true, living, and all-loving and forgiving God, who is unquestionably the Creator of this amazing universe in which we live. Proof to back up most of what is found in ‘The Holy Bible’ comes alive through these sites in an unbiased, bold and non-judgmental fashion. They, like me, say it as it is, and choose to share both supportive and non-supportive finds, in full confidence, that only the ultimate absolute truth (God) will shine through.

1. There is **no proof** of evolution as anything more than the creative ideas of humanistic effort, and still, people believe it!

2. There is no proof or equipment available today to measure or date our world as millions or billions of years old, and yet, people still believe it!
3. There is no proof of Scientology/New Age to be anything more than wild human imaginary, and yet, people continue to believe it!
4. There is no proof of the Book of Mormon to be anything more than the figment of Joseph Smith's (*The founder of Mormonism*) wild imagination, and yet, Salt Lake City, Utah USA is committed hook, line, and sinker, + millions more...literally!

Everyone has the right to choose what they believe, yet, if what you believe has no proof to support itself, is it wise to gamble with your soul for all of eternity? *Is it worth the temporal gratification?*

I believe you deserve to know the truth, why you need to know it, where to find it, and how to know for sure that the so-called 'said-truth is nothing but the truth.

This is why I am here and why I choose to boldly stand with the minority in the face of adversity, in hopes that I will make you feel uncomfortable enough to reconsider your options.

## **ALBERT, THE Professor & the Law of Physics**

The university professor challenged his students with this question:

“Did God create everything that exists?”

A student bravely replied, “Yes, he did!”

“God created everything?” the professor asked.

“Yes, Sir,” the student replied.

The professor answered, “if God created everything, then God created evil; since evil exists and, according to the principle that our works define who we are then God is evil.”

The student became quiet before such an answer. The professor, quite pleased with himself, boasted to the students that he had proven once more that the Christian faith was a myth.

Another student raised his hand and said, “Can I ask you a question, professor?”

“Of course,” replied the professor.

The student stood up and asked, “Professor does cold exist?”

“What kind of a question is this?” Of course, it exists. Have you never been cold?”

The students snickered at the young man’s question.

The young man replied, “In fact, Sir, cold does not exist. According to the laws of physics, *what we consider cold is, in reality, the absence of heat*. Everybody or object is susceptible to study

When it has or transmits energy and heat is what makes a body or matter have or transmit energy. Absolute zero (-460F) is the total

absence of heat; all matter becomes inert and incapable of reaction at that temperature. Cold does not exist. We have created this word to describe how we feel if we have no heat.”

The student continued, “Professor, does darkness exist?”

The professor responded, “Of course it does.”

The student replied, “Once again you are wrong Sir, darkness does not exist either. *Darkness, in reality, is the absence of light.* Light can be studied, but not darkness. In fact, we can use Newton’s prism to break white light into many colors and study the various wavelengths of each color.

You cannot measure darkness. A simple ray of light can break into a world of darkness and illuminate it. How can you know how dark a certain space is? You measure the amount of light present. Isn’t this correct? Darkness is a term used by man to describe what happens when there is no light present.”

Finally, the young man asked the professor, “Sir, does evil exist?”

Now uncertain, the professor responded, “Of course as I have already said. We see it every day. It is in the



daily example of man's inhumanity to man. It is in the multitude of crime and violence everywhere in the world. These manifestations are nothing else but evil."

To this, the student replied, "Evil does not exist, Sir, or at least it doesn't exist unto itself. *Evil is simply the absence of God.* It is just like darkness and cold, a word that man has created to describe the absence of God. God did not create evil. Evil is not like faith or love that exists just as does light and heat. Evil is the result of what happens when man does not have God's love present in his heart. It's like the cold that comes when there is no heat or the darkness that comes when there is no light."

The professor sat down.

The young man's name! Albert Einstein.

And let us take one closer look as to why '*The Holy Bible*' continues to be the world's number one bestselling book year in and year out from the old testament's prophecies to the new testament's fulfillment

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Chronological Prophecy Concerning Christ & its Fulfillment

Genesis 3:15 - the “Seed of a Woman” - Galatians 4:4

Genesis 18:18 - Promised Seed of Abraham - Acts 3:25

Genesis 17:19 - Promised Seed of Isaac - Matthew 1:2

Numbers 24:17 - Promised Seed of Jacob - Luke 3:34

Genesis 49:10 - From Tribe of Judah - Luke 3:33

Isaiah 9:7 - Heir to the Throne of David - Matthew 1:1

Micah 5:2 - Place of Birth - Matthew 2:1

Daniel 9:25 - Time of Birth - Luke 2:1, 2

Isaiah 7:14 - Born of a Virgin - Matthew 1:18

Jeremiah 31:15 - Massacre of Infants - Matthew 2:16

Hosea 11:1 - Flight into Egypt - Matthew 2:14

Isaiah 9:1, 2 - Ministry in Galilee - Matthew 4:12-16

Deuteronomy 18:15 - As a Prophet - John 6:14

Psalms 110:4 – Order of Melchizedek - Hebrews 6:20

Isaiah 53:3 - His Rejection by Jews - John 1:11

Isaiah 11:2 - Some of His Characteristics - Luke 2:52

Zechariah 9:9 - His Triumphal Entry - John 12:13, 14

Psalms 41:9 - Betrayed by a Friend - Mark 14:10

Zechariah 11:12 – Sold for Thirty Pieces Silver -  
Matthew 26:15

Zechariah 11:13 - Money Returned for Potter's Field -  
Matthew 27: 6, 7

Psalms 109:7, 8 - Judas' Office Taken by Another - Acts  
1:18-20

Psalms 27:12 - False Witnesses Accuse Him - Matthew  
26:60, 61

Isaiah 53:7 - Silent When Accused - Matthew 26:62, 63

Isaiah 50:6 - Smitten and Spat Upon - Mark 14:65

Psalms 69:4 - Hated Without a Cause - John 15:23-25

Isaiah 53:4, 5 - Suffered Vicariously - Matthew 8:16, 17

Isaiah 53:12 - Crucified with Sinners - Matthew 27:38

Psalms 22:16 - Hands and Feet Pierced - John 20:27

Psalm 22:6-8 - Mocked & Insulted - Matthew 27:39, 40

Psalm 69:21 - Given Gall and Vinegar - John 19:29

Psalm 22:8 -Prophetic Words Repeated in Mockery -  
Matt. 27:43

Psalm 109:4 - Prays for His Enemies - Luke 23:34

Zechariah 12:10 - His Side to be Pierced - John 19:34

Psalm 22:18 - Soldiers Cast Lots for His Coat - Mark  
15:24

Psalm 34:20 - Not a Bone to be Broken - John 19:33

Isaiah 53:9 - Buried with the Rich - Matthew 27:57-60

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Psalm 16:10 – His Resurrection - Matthew 28:9 / Luke  
24:36-48

Psalm 68:18 - His Ascension - Luke 24:50, 51 / Acts  
1:9

## Dear World!

As long as biased facts are favored, supported, and propagated, we will continue to get what we've been getting, to our detriment.

For me, my objective, without pointing fingers, nor the right to do so, is to spread the 'Good News,' the Gospel of Grace of Jesus Christ and His absolute truth, while at the same time revealing to the public, as needed, the lies and deception that surrounds us on a daily basis in its attempt to secure a stronghold on all vulnerable and desperate souls, perhaps not strong enough to seek the help and truth needed.

- Do you believe in an 'Absolute truth?'
- Have you just stopped looking?
- Do you appreciate the difference between 'Truth' and 'Absolute Truth?'

‘Truth’ is what the world (Man) sees/defines as true;  
‘Absolute Truth’ is what God (Our Creator) intended  
as being valid.

How about you?

Congratulations for sticking with it!

You are through , and perhaps, you have a few more  
nuggets to take with you on your spiritual journey.

May our King of kings and Lord of lords, JESUS  
CHRIST LIVING GOD, richly bless you with much  
favor, and do so abundantly, according to His word,  
His will, His intention, and His purpose ([Jeremiah  
29:11](#)) for your predestined ([Romans 8:29](#) | [Ephesians  
1:5](#)), existence, thank you, Jesus.

Your friend and Pastor ... Kevin

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