

# The Whole Truth

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*How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation: which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard him. – Heb. 2.3*

It was the apostles who heard the Lord, and they gave unto us the true gospel. When we deny that Jesus Christ is the only Lord God, we condemn Jesus, the apostles and the prophets. Jesus said to the woman, "I am the Messiah" (John 4:26). Jesus told the devil that he was God (Matt 4:7). If ye believe not that I am he, ye shall die in your sins (John 8:24).

Jesus said to Philip that He was the father (John 14:9), and when you say that Jesus is not God, you condemn the Scriptures of the apostles, and prophets, and Jesus. You condemn the Church, and the foundation of the Church; for the Church is built upon the apostles and prophets, and Jesus Christ himself. Jacob called Him Shiloh (Gen. 49:10). Isaiah called Him the Immanuel (Isa. 7:14). Isaiah declared that he is the Might God, the Everlasting Father (Jesus), the Prince of Peace (Isa. 9:6). Isaiah called Him the Saviour 712 years before He came (Isa. 43:11). Micah said His "goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting" (Mich 5:2). Zechariah declared there will be one Lord and His name one (Jesus) (Zech. 14:9). You condemn Peter for he said he is both Lord and Christ (Acts 2:36). You condemn Paul who was an apostle to the Gentiles, for Paul said He was God manifested in the flesh (1 Tim 3:16). Paul called Him the Great God and the Blessed Hope (Tit. 2:13). John declared that He was in the world and the world was made by Him and the world knew him not (John 1:1). In Gen 1:1, it says: "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth." John said that Jesus created the world, so we see that God and Jesus are the same one. When He made the world He was an eternal Spirit, but after man sinned that same eternal Spirit had to take on flesh and come down here and die; for Paul said in Hebrews 2:14, as the children were partakers of flesh and blood, he (God) took part of the same. So you see now, dear reader, that John was right when he said that He was in the world and the world was made by Him and the World knew Him not. Truly the world didn't know who Jesus is. They say He is the Son and only the Son, but we see Him as God manifested in the flesh like Paul saw Him in 1 Timothy 3:16. Paul said that Jesus created all things that are in heaven and that are in earth (Col. 1:16). John declared that this same God died (1 John 3:16). Jesus told John in the Revelation that He was Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, the Almighty (Rev. 1:8). He also said that He was dead and was alive for evermore.

Now we can see, dear reader, whoever he or she may be who teaches that Jesus is not God condemns the Old and New Testaments, Jesus, the apostles and the prophets. When a man or woman doesn't believe that Jesus is the only Lord God he doesn't believe the bible. For the Scriptures saith that they all shall know me from the least of them to the greatest of them they all shall know me. There are many men and women today who are trying to preach Jesus and don't know who he is. They are something like Philip before He knew who Jesus was; was with Him but did not know Him. And some of these preachers have been preaching Jesus for years and

don't know who He is. If you tell them that Jesus is God, right away they will start fighting the Bible that they are carrying around, yet telling the people that the Bible is right. And the same Bible that they are carrying around is talking to them, saying to them: "Know ye the Lord he is God" (Psa. 100:3)? And Jesus certainly was the Lord. May God open up your understanding and let you know the truth is my prayer, for I am ready to answer the world on this truth.

**BAPTISM** – They also condemn Baptism in Jesus' name. They declare that those who baptize in Jesus' name are of the devil. How sad. It is for them to look right at the Scriptures and condemn them and not believe what their eyes see.

Jesus gave the gospel to Peter to take to both the Jews and the Gentiles. We see how the apostles preached on the day of Pentecost, which was first to the Jews. They baptized three thousand souls on the day of Pentecost in the name of Jesus Christ (Acts 2:38). He also took the same gospel to the Gentiles at Caesarea and commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord (Jesus) (Acts 10:48). Philip preached the same gospel in Samaria. He baptized them in the name of Jesus (Acts 8:16). Paul baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus (1 Cor. 1:15), and they were also baptized in Acts 19:5, in the name of the Lord Jesus. Paul declares in Col. 3:17, Whatsoever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus. Peter also declares in Acts 4:12, Neither is there salvation in any other name given under heaven whereby we must be saved by the name (Jesus).

I read a circular written by a minister of the Church of God in Christ. It read as follows: "Don't you know that a son is a more excellent name than Jesus?" He was fighting Baptism in Jesus' name. He showed the height of his ignorance, trying to pervert the truth of God to justify his unbelief. Let us read this from Paul's letter to the Philippians" "Wherefore God hath highly exalted Him and given Him a name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus, every knee should bow of things in heaven and things in earth" (Phil. 2:10,11). So we see that he is wrong when he says that "son" is a more excellent name than Jesus. Who will you believe now – him or the Scriptures that say Jesus' name is above every name in heaven and in earth? The Bible says let God be true but every man a liar (Rom. 3:3). Truly the devil hates the name of Jesus, and everybody is deceived of the devil will fight Jesus' name.

Demons are cast out in Jesus' name. The sick are healed in Jesus' name, and the Holy Ghost is given in Jesus' name. Jesus said: "Whatever you ask in my name." The lame man was healed in Jesus' name. The dead were raised in Jesus' name - all these things and many more than I have space to write were done in Jesus' name. Some are supposed to be preaching Jesus and when we baptize in Jesus' name like the Bible says, they will fight us and say we are of the devil. How blind they are. Truly Jesus said that if the blind lead the blind they will all fall into the ditch.

Any thing that is done without the name of Jesus being called is of none effect. You can say Father, Son, Holy Ghost, God, Lord or whatever you want to say. I want to tell you that you haven't used that sweet name Jesus. We are to use the name Jesus in everything we do. Father is no name and Holy Ghost is no name. Jesus is the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. That is the reason the apostles used the name (Jesus) and did not use the titles. Dear reader, how were you baptized? Were you baptized in that sweet name, Jesus? If not, don't let these blind leaders deceive you. Come on and let us obey these Scriptures: Acts 2:33; 8:16; 10:48; 19:5.

Some near-sighted people say that they would rather obey what Jesus says than to obey what the apostles say. Such ignorance is painful. How do they know what Jesus said, if the apostles had not told us? Don't you know that Jesus wrote nothing but what He wrote on the ground? The apostles wrote the New Testament many years after Jesus had gone back to heaven. Do you mean to tell me that you believe the writing but don't believe the writers?

**TRUE HOLINESS** - Without Holiness no man shall see the Lord. You may join every church in the world. You may become bishop, preacher or deacon, but without Holiness, no man shall see the Lord. There are thousands upon thousands, both white and black, who are church-goers and belong to all kinds of denominations who call themselves Christians. But they say they are not holy. But I want to say to you again in the language of the Scriptures: Without holiness no man will see the Lord (Heb. 12-14; Eph. 1:3,4). Jesus is coming for a holy church which is a spirit-filled people baptized in Jesus' name (Acts 2:38), baptized with the Holy Ghost with signs following, speaking with other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance (Acts 2:4) which is the only way to be holy. Dear reader, if you haven't got it like the Bible says it, your worship is in vain; for Jesus said: "In vain do they worship me, teaching for doctrine the commandment of men (Matt. 15:9).

**DIVINE HEALING** is able to heal your bodies without the aid of medicines of help of man. He promised it in the Scriptures and His word is true. In Isa. 53:5 it saith: With His stripes we are healed. In James 5:14, he saith: Call for the elders of the church and let them anoint with oil in the name of the Lord, (Jesus), the prayer of faith saved the sick and the Lord, even Jesus, shall raise them up. Dear reader, believe God and take Him at His word and He will heal you of that disease that is now in your body if you will only believe.

**WOMEN PREACHERS** – God has never called a woman to preach the Gospel and never will. It matters not who stands for it or justifies it. Let God be true and every man a liar (Roman 3:4). God said, I suffer not a woman to teach nor usurp authority over a man but to be in silence (1 Timothy 2:12). So how can a woman be a preacher – if she can't teach men? Jesus aid to His preachers (men) to "go ye therefore and teach all nations" (Matt. 28:19). God said for a woman to be shamefaced (1 Tim. 2:9). How can she preach? God told his preachers (men) to be bold as a lion. God said, Let your women keep silence in the churches (1 Cor. 14:34). How can she preach if she is not allowed to set the church in order? God told the old women to teach the young women (Titus 2:3,4); told the young women to marry and bear children (1 Tim. 5:14). Please tell me what Bible authority does a woman have to preach the Gospel?

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