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TO A SLUMBERING
CHURCH**

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Introduction

**THE CHRISTIAN WORLD IS IN ALMOST
TOTAL DENIAL.**

**FEW WANT TO FACE IT.
FEW WANT TO DISCUSS IT.
FEW WANT TO THINK ABOUT IT.
AND FEW WANT TO LOOK AT THE
EVIDENCE.
THEY WOULD RATHER END UP IN ETERNAL
RUIN.**

**“MANY will say to me in that day, LORD,
LORD, have we not
PROPHESED IN THY NAME?
AND IN THY NAME HAVE CAST OUT
DEVILS?
AND IN THY NAME DONE MANY
WONDERFUL WORKS?**

**and THEN will I profess unto them,
I NEVER KNEW YOU:
DEPART FROM ME, YE THAT WORK
INIQUITY.”
(Matthew 7:21-23)**

The Bible declares that Christians of all denominations are in grave danger, a danger that few will deal with and few who will want to confront the real issues involved. The many Christians that stand before Jesus Christ rejected in Matthew Chapter 7:21-23 at the final judgment are there for a very good reason.

It would seem that this question should be one of the most important questions ever asked, because it relates to something that went terribly wrong in Christian theology. If the majority of Christians (the many) are sent away, then the majority must have held a wrong salvation gospel, for we have no options. So then all we need to do is survey the salvation gospel that is the most popular and most accepted to find our answer to this question.

The warnings of the Bible, scattered throughout both Old and New Testament, are going totally unheeded except by a very few. The vast majority SPEAK EVIL of the “WAY” that Christ brought with Him, in total fulfillment of the prophecies against the Church, Church leadership and lay people alike (2 Peter 2:1-6).

The early Church was known as “**THE PEOPLE OF THE WAY**”, because the early Church knew all about the **strait gate and narrow way**, and **its hardships, trials and tribulations**. Modern Christian theology speaks little about this “way”, and when it does, it generally perverts the Scripture to fit the modern concepts of instant salvation doctrine.

The early Church knew what it meant to DIE THE DEATH, and they knew what COMING TO THE LIGHT TO HAVE THEIR DEEDS REPROVED ACTUALLY MEANT. They knew all about the REVELATION OF CHRIST, spoken of by Christ, Paul, Peter and John. They knew what actual repentance was, and they knew the horrible difference between the loves of man and the LOVE OF CHRIST.

The modern church, with its new salvation theology, has **ACTUALLY REDACTED** much of the New

Testament Scripture by claiming it was not written to the Christians, but to the Jews, or because they simply ignore any Scripture that goes against the “now established and politically correct theology”. It is not politically correct to speak of anything except that approved by the modern movers and shakers of the faith. It is as though some evil force has omitted vast portions of the Bible.

The facts are simple, and they have to be addressed. Millions of Christians are tossed aside by the Lord Jesus Christ with a severe rebuke and wave of the hand. If the vast majority of Christians, that is the “many”, do not make it to heaven, then there has to be a huge mistake or misunderstanding in what constitutes REAL SALVATION. Otherwise they would have been saved and not sent away.

These poor folks are not saved at all, but go into eternal ruin and loss. Why? The warnings of Scripture tell us why, as does the Lord Himself with His reply to the poor lost Christian. These warnings prove that modern Christian theology is false, it is a fake gospel, a watered down, all positive, no negative gospel that does not save anyone, but rather, according to the Bible itself, is a deception and a delusion that leads millions of Christians all through the Church age astray, and especially largely in the last days.

This is a challenge to everyone not to believe anything stated in this book, but rather to study it out, to then attempt to prove it wrong. If you cannot, then accept what the Bible has to say, both the positive and the negative sides of the salvation

**doctrine of Jesus Christ, and get on with
saving your soul in truth.**

The last days Church, according to Bible prophecy, is an unsaved Church, rich in the world, but poor, blind, naked, and sick in the Spirit. So-called revivals are not true revivals. When a soul finds out its true position before a Holy God, then, and only then, can **TRUE REVIVAL COME**. Only when a real and authentic FEAR OF THE LORD comes upon the souls of men and women can they begin to discern their position before a Holy God. When calls for repentance are made, they are rejected out of hand because it is deemed a “work”, or some type of “legalism”. Even when repentance is acknowledged, it is a worldly sorrow and a worldly repentance that is considered, for the Church does not seem to know what true Biblical repentance really is. It comes from GODLY SORROW, and finally a GODLY REPENTANCE, **wholly and totally different than anything taught or apparently known today.** It is just as Christ, Paul and Peter warned.

The love God has for every single human being born on Earth is so astounding it cannot be described. Yet God is a God of JUDGMENT. To us life on Earth is all we know, because we are born into a FALLEN STATE. It is normal for us. Beyond the veil of life here on Earth is another reality. There is another dimension, another world so radically different than ours that it defies the imagination. It is the realm of the Spirit. God is DIVINE LOVE and GOD IS A SPIRIT.

Jesus Christ is the only “religious” leader in the history of the world to lay down a full challenge before the

entire human race. All the others simply say “believe”. Here it is:

John 7:15-17

“And the Jews marvelled, saying, How knoweth this man letters, having never learned?”

Jesus answered them, and said, My doctrine is not mine, but his that sent me.

If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself.”

He told us how to do it. He told us we could do it with His and The Father’s help. He also told us that FEW WOULD EVEN ATTEMPT IT, but if they would comply, and do as He commanded, then and ONLY THEN, would the **greatest secret of the universe be revealed!**

The world argues over Jesus Christ endlessly. Every Christmas, every Easter, the arguments and the questions arise anew. Who was He? What did He really want? Was it real? Was He really the Messiah? Did He come to redeem? What does it all mean, anything, or is it all just a made up story? Did Jesus get married and have children, as the DaVinci Code claimed? Was he just some great teacher, an avatar, some ascended master? What is the REAL TRUTH, AND HOW DO WE FIND IT? These questions have plagued mankind for 2000 years!! Yet, for all of that,

all they have to do is **do as Christ commanded**. They would find out that Christ is alive and well, running the affairs of the universe and His Church on Earth.

The answers are often stark and not at all pleasant. Mankind is in actuality in terrible trouble. The Bible stands as a written indictment against us by the Great Judge. We just don't want to admit it. We do not want to face it, but face it each one of us will, sooner or later when we die. And then if it is not sooner, it is too late to do anything about it after physical death.

This judgment will come with certainty, and most of mankind will utterly fail. Not because they could not be saved, but because they WOULD NOT be saved! Salvation from eternal damnation IS REAL. HELL IS REAL, no matter how politically incorrect that may be. It is a place so horrible that there are few words to describe it. It does not matter what anyone believes, or what anyone thinks. It is all there, waiting for all of us if we fail **to use the escape hatch provided**.

What is the escape hatch? It is called SALVATION. It is called REDEMPTION, and Jesus Christ is the ONLY anointed of God to rescue the human race. He can and will PROVE IT to any one who does what He commanded them to do! Mankind has no excuse. They can argue, reject, get angry or whatever. Nothing will change, for the reality of our position before a Holy God is well laid out.

What you are about to read, **if** you will heed it, **if** you will examine it closely, comes as a final warning to the last days APOSTATE AND LOST CHURCH upon Earth. It is addressed to the leaders and the laymen alike. The end is close, the signs are all here and

converging rapidly. If you reject it, because of bias, theological positions or denominational difference, that is your right, but **you have been put on legal notice, and your blood is not on the Lord's hands, for you made the choice and refused His counsel.**

The Bible finally has this to say as a warning:

Prov 18:12-13

**“Before destruction the heart of man is haughty,
and before honour is humility.**

He that answereth a matter before he heareth it, it is folly and shame unto him.”

Time after time, event after event, Christians hear the WARNINGS that are direct from Christ, and become so angry, so agitated, they cannot go on, and throw out the messenger with violence! Why all the hostility? One would think that this issue of salvation would be the most important issue of all and that people who believe in Christ would want to study the matter out, and take no ones word for it!!

The Bible has this to say concerning this lackadaisical attitude of the vast majority of modern Christians:

Jeremiah 6:16-17

**“Thus saith the LORD, Stand ye in the ways,
and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls. But they said, We will not walk therein.”**

**Also I set watchmen over you, saying,
Hearken to the sound of the trumpet. But
they said, We will not hearken.”**

Jesus Christ laid down a very specific **and very conditional** protocol for the salvation of the soul. The multitudes that stand before Christ utterly rejected are lost because they said **“WE WILL NOT WALK THEREIN”**.

Study intently what is presented in this “POOR LOST CHRISTIAN” series. Cross compare, and ask the Holy Spirit to guide you and show you the **real truth** of the matter, and take nothing for granted. Check it out, over and over again. Prove it wrong, if you can. Take no ones word except the Word itself.

This small book concerns itself with only ONE FACT. Millions of Christians, **all of whom were positive they were saved and going to heaven, ENDED UP IN ETERNAL RUIN AND LOSS.** Although we touch upon some aspects as to why, the how and the why require a much deeper examination. This will be coming in future volumes if the Lord is willing.

And one last thing, there are many who cry, “this man is not qualified, he has never graduated from a well known theological university, so who does he think he is to be teaching us of these things?” This is my reply to all of them, from the Doctors of Theology to the layman:

John 9:18-41

“And they asked them, saying, Is this your son, who ye say was born blind? how then doth he now see?”

His parents answered them and said, We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind:

But by what means he now seeth, we know not; or who hath opened his eyes, we know not: he is of age; ask him: he shall speak for himself.

These words spake his parents, because they feared the Jews: for the Jews had agreed already, that if any man did confess that he was Christ, he should be put out of the synagogue.

Therefore said his parents, He is of age; ask him.

Then again called they the man that was blind, and said unto him, Give God the praise: we know that this man is a sinner.

He answered and said, Whether he be a sinner or no, I know not: one thing I know, that, whereas I was blind, now I see.

Then said they to him again, What did he to thee? how opened he thine eyes?

He answered them, I have told you already, and ye did not hear: wherefore would ye hear it again? Will ye also be his disciples?

Then they reviled him, and said, Thou art his disciple; but we are Moses' disciples.

We know that God spake unto Moses: as for this fellow, we know not from whence he is.

The man answered and said unto them, Why herein is a marvellous thing, that ye know not from whence he is, and yet he hath opened mine eyes.

Now we know that God heareth not sinners: but if any man be a worshipper of God, and doeth his will, him he heareth.

Since the world began was it not heard that any man opened the eyes of one that was born blind.

If this man were not of God, he could do nothing.

They answered and said unto him, Thou wast altogether born in sins, and

**dost thou teach us? And they cast
him out.**

Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and
when he had found him, he said unto him,
Dost thou believe on the Son of God?

He answered and said, **Who is he, Lord,
that I might believe on him?**

And Jesus said unto him, **Thou hast
both seen him, and it is he that
talketh with thee.**

And he said, Lord, I believe. And he
worshipped him.

And Jesus said, **For judgment I am come
into this world, that they which see not
might see; and that they which see
might be made blind.**

And some of the Pharisees which were with
him heard these words, and said unto him,
Are we blind also?

Jesus said unto them, **If ye were blind, ye
should have no sin: but now ye say, We
see; therefore your sin remaineth.**

As to how Jesus Christ opened my eyes, I cannot tell. I only know I met Him, I heard His voice, and He called me out of this world and into His own. I know not how. I only know that He did, and revealed many, many hidden things to me. I also know that just as Jesus was accused of being a devil, and doing the works of Satan, so have I been accused. I am not called of the Lord to debate or argue. I was only told to present the real truth as a warning to the Church. I know that it will be rejected by the many because of prophecy, which must come true. I have done so and no one's blood is on my hands. The Church has been warned. One can say it is all a lie, a satanic deception, but when they die they will know it was the truth.

Selah.

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CHAPTER ONE
**REJECTED CHRISTIANS & THE NEW
COVENANT**

**“Enter ye in at the STRAIT GATE: for WIDE IS
THE GATE,
AND BROAD IS THE WAY, that leadeth to
DESTRUCTION,
and MANY THERE BE which go in thereat:**

**BECAUSE STRAIT IS THE GATE, AND NARROW
IS THE WAY,
WHICH LEADETH UNTO LIFE,
and FEW there be that find it.”
(Matthew 7:13-14)**

**MANY will say to me in that day, LORD, LORD,
have we not
PROPHESED IN THY NAME?
AND IN THY NAME HAVE CAST OUT DEVILS?
AND IN THY NAME DONE MANY WONDERFUL
WORKS?
and THEN will I profess unto them,
I NEVER KNEW YOU:
DEPART FROM ME, YE THAT WORK
INIQUITY.”
(Matthew 7:21-23)**

If one asked a thousand Christians who these people are, nine hundred and ninety nine would say it was NOT THEM. The Bible would say the exact opposite. It is not the Church “down the street”, or the “neighbor” you don’t like. It is not some other denomination. The Bible says that only ONE in a THOUSAND of HIS PEOPLE knows the truth AND IT SEEMS TO BE SMALLER THAN THAT when we come to the end of the age.

It is a shock to find out that these people actually thought they were SINCERE CHRISTIANS. So WHY were these souls rejected? WHO were they? WHAT SHOULD THEY HAVE DONE to prevent their being sent into eternal ruin with no recourse, no chance of recovery? MAKE NO MISTAKE ABOUT THE SEVERITY OF THESE COMMENTS FROM THE LIPS OF CHRIST. These souls face eternal ruin, **TO BE CAST OUT FOREVER WITH NO RECOURSE, NO MERCY, And NO CLEMENCY. Make no mistake here either, they think they are sincere Christians.**

THE CONTEXT in which we find these comments appears in Matthew Chapters five, six, and seven, which comprise the Sermon on the Mount. The Sermon on the Mount is addressed first of all to believers ONLY, DISCIPLES ONLY.

“And seeing the multitudes, he went up into a mountain: and when he was set, HIS DISCIPLES CAME UNTO HIM:

**And he opened his mouth, and TAUGHT THEM, saying...”
(Matthew 5:1-2)**

The word “disciple” is ‘mathetes’ and it simply means **LEARNER, PUPIL, FOLLOWER**. It was to the disciples, the followers, and to those that **BELIEVED** upon Him, that He taught. The ‘them’ refers back to the **DISCIPLES**, which by then had grown to a great number of people. Matthew Chapter four shows that Jesus had called His chosen ones and was also teaching in the synagogues, preaching the gospel of the Kingdom of Heaven, and healing all manner of sickness (Matthew 4:23). His fame grew, and so more and more people came to hear Him, to be healed, to find out what His message for them was. Many **BELIEVED** in Him, for they saw His healings, His ability to cast out devils and the displays of great power.

There are many within the Church that contend that much of the four Gospels and especially the Sermon on the Mount were given to Israel, and have nothing to do with the Church. It belongs totally to the dispensation of Law. They argue that Pentecost had not come, and this sermon then cannot be applied to the Church in any way, shape or manner. Upon the correctness of this argument lay the destiny of millions of souls, for **IF THIS THEOLOGICAL POSITION IS WRONG, AND ONE EMBRACES IT, THEY HAVE DAMNED THEMSELVES FOR ALL ETERNITY**. We can prove this position is a totally false position, one of many deceptions within Christian theology today.

Jesus Christ told us in John that we had to be “born again” or “born from above” or we could NOT see or enter the **KINGDOM OF HEAVEN**: John 3:3-7: “Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, **he cannot see the**

kingdom of God. Nicodemus saith unto him, “How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born?” **Jesus answered, “Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.** That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Marvel not that I said unto thee, **Ye must be born again.**” Obviously, Jesus is speaking of THE SPIRIT.

In contrast, I was a Gideon for some time, and we would often go into various local Churches and ask for help in the distribution of Bibles to hospitals, motels, jails, prisons, etc. Many times the pastors of some of those Churches would warn us not to use the phrase “Born again”, as it might offend the congregation attending that service. In other words, to quote from the Bible itself, using the very words of Christ was an “offense” to the believers.

It opened my eyes rapidly as to the true state of affairs within what is known as “Christianity”. In point of fact, it bears little resemblance to true Christianity, and it should be called what it really is, and that is “Churchianity”, a ritualized apostate organization that is full of the very deceptions that the Bible warned would come in the last days. However, God is using this “Churchianity” to His own ends, for His own reasons, and most of them still preach Christ!! Amen and Amen!!

2 Tim 4:3-4

“For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;

And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.

One of the chief fables, in fact the most serious of all, is the modernized concept of REBIRTH or, being BORN AGAIN. In other words, it has been totally REDEFINED, and this redefinition is what causes the multitudes of sincere Christians to stand before Christ utterly rejected, lost for all time, lost for eternity, headed to a very terrible place reserved for Satan and his angels. Having said this, remember if one embraces a fable and calls it truth, they will and must call the REAL TRUTH FABLES, for there is no other option!!

John 3:3-7

“Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.

Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born?”

“Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again.

If anyone wants to contradict that Christ commanded we be BORN AGAIN, there is no point to debate, for the

Bible is clear. One cannot **see or enter** the Kingdom unless one is BORN AGAIN. The point is this, what are we entering via this rebirth? THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN! Matthew Chapter Five, Six and Seven all concern themselves with the KINGDOM OF HEAVEN. **There are 16 statements by the Lord concerning either the Kingdom of God or entering the Kingdom of Heaven.**

Chapter Five:

- 1. (3) Theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven**
- 2. (10) Theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven**
- 3. (12) Great is your reward in Heaven**
- 4. (16) Glorify your Father which is in Heaven**
- 5. (19) Least in the Kingdom of Heaven**
- 6. (29) Great in the Kingdom of Heaven**
- 7. (20) Enter into the Kingdom of Heaven**
- 8. (34) Neither by Heaven, for it is God's throne**
- 9. (45) That ye be THE CHILDREN of your Father, which is in Heaven**
- 10. (48) Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father in Heaven is perfect.**

Chapter five is devoted to the Kingdom of Heaven, and further, Jesus says that we will be **THE CHILDREN** of God the Father. How does one become a CHILD OF GOD? “Verily, Verily, I say unto you, you must be BORN AGAIN.” It should be obvious that the SERMON ON THE MOUNT IS A SERMON ON **HOW ONE ENTERS THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN.**

Chapter Six:

- 11. (1) No reward of your Father in Heaven**
- 12. (9) Your Father which is in Heaven**
- 13. (10) Thy Kingdom come (The Lord's Prayer)**
- 14. (33) Seek ye first the Kingdom of Heaven**

Chapter Six is likewise a discussion of the Kingdom of Heaven and gives us several more clues on how to enter this mysterious and wonderful Kingdom.

Chapter Seven:

- 15. (13) Enter ye in (the Kingdom of Heaven).**
- 16. (21) Not every one shall enter the Kingdom of Heaven**

Chapter Seven is devoted in its entirety to HOW TO ENTER THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN. The entire SERMON is in fact DEVOTED to all the key aspects of the Kingdom and HOW WE ENTER INTO IT. It is reaffirmed in many other places in the New Testament. It is the central issue of the sermon, and to claim it is not meant for the Church is a deception and an attempt by Satan **to prevent people from “entering in”**. While it is true that this was directed to Israel at the time, Israel later refused it! Then it went to the Church, for the Church was also directed to “enter in”.

It must also be said that the Church is PART of Israel, that is, we are called the “wild olive branch” that is grafted into God’s program for Israel. This proves we are in fact PART OF ISRAEL in the Lord’s eyes. Therefore to claim this was all for “Israel” and has nothing to do with the Church is not a valid argument whatsoever.

Yes, it was first presented to Israel, but they refused. Thus the FIRST of God's people COME IN LAST, and the Church, which was the LAST, comes into the Kingdom FIRST, to wit:

Matt 19:28-30

“And Jesus said unto them, Verily I say unto you, That ye which have followed me, in the regeneration when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

And every one that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my name's sake, shall receive an hundredfold, and shall inherit everlasting life.

But many that are first shall be last; and the last shall be first.”

It is during the Church Age that we enter into this covenant via REBIRTH, or being Born Again. If this is not for the Church, then why does Jesus refer to the issue that we must become the Children of God and that only happens by rebirth? Why does He state that the only way into heaven is being BORN AGAIN, and then says the only entrance is via a strait gate and narrow way? Obviously because **the STRAIT GATE AND NARROW WAY** are how we become BORN FROM ABOVE!! This will all be proven by Scripture later.

The Sermon on the Mount is a discourse of the PARAMETERS ON HOW TO ENTER INTO THE ‘NEW HEART’ aspects of the ‘NEW COVENANT’ (Formally explained in the Old Testament in Ezekiel 11:19; 36:26-27; and then again in the New Testament in Hebrews 8:8; 8:13 and 12:24). The word “covenant” is ‘beriyth’, which means **COMPACT, LEAGUE, AGREEMENT OR CONTRACT**. In the New Testament, the word is ‘diatheke’, which means **CONTRACT, TESTAMENT, A LEGALLY BINDING AGREEMENT**.

This aspect of the New Covenant is the PRIMARY CONCERN IN THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT. As there is no other way to enter in, and the subject of the Sermon is ENTERING THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN (Jesus mentions the Kingdom of Heaven 27 times in Matthew alone), then THIS MUST BE A DISCOURSE ON HOW WE ENTER INTO THE NEW COVENANT, OR HOW WE ARE TO BE **“BORN FROM ABOVE”**.

**“Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I
WILL MAKE
A NEW COVENANT WITH THE HOUSE OF
ISRAEL,
AND WITH THE HOUSE OF JUDAH:
But this shall be THE COVENANT
THAT I WILL MAKE WITH THE HOUSE
OF ISRAEL;**

**AFTER THOSE DAYS, SAITH THE LORD,
I WILL PUT MY LAW IN THEIR INWARD
PARTS,
AND WRITE IT IN THEIR HEARTS;**

**and will be their God, and they shall be my people.”
(Jeremiah 31:31, 33)**

Most pastors, religious teachers, and divinity schools claim this is all OLD TESTAMENT, and has nothing whatever to do with the NEW TESTAMENT or THE NEW COVENANT of REBIRTH! It is a totally absurd position and is not even intellectually honest! It is an utterly false claim, as can easily be shown. Jesus said REBIRTH WAS OF THE SPIRIT. WHAT SPIRIT? GOD’S!!! Is not God a Spirit and a Spirit of Love?

**“He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.”
1 John 4:8**

**“God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.”
John 4:24**

If God is a spirit of Divine love (radically different than man’s love types), and He is going to place that very special and radical love within the human heart, then it must be done by REBIRTH. Rebirth is how we enter the NEW COVENANT, and the NEW COVENANT IS HOW WE ENTER INTO THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN!!

For here in the Old Testament we find a reference to **the coming NEW COVENANT**, a covenant of LOVE, MERCY and GRACE. It is tied **DIRECTLY TO A NEW HEART**. God says that He will TAKE THE LAW AND **WRITE IT IN THEIR INWARD PARTS**. Scripture proves the Ten Commandments in reality are nothing more than a reflection of **DIVINE AGAPE**

LOVE. The Law was given to not only prove to man **HE DID NOT HAVE TRUE DIVINE AGAPE LOVE**, but it was also used as a “regulator” of human conduct via “external law”.

God will take this outer form of the law, and put it into the human heart. Thus what we have is a covenant of a new heart, a new birth in the spirit of God, a regeneration performed by the spirit of God, and have Divine Agape Love placed within us. When Christ says, “enter ye in”, He is referring to this **NEW COVENANT**, which is the only entrance way into Heaven’s gates.

Most people are not aware at all that this is a “legal” transaction. Most think of all of this as some form of spiritual thing, but it goes far deeper than that – it is a legal transaction that moves the lost sinner over to a whole new program. It is like having a title deed to property. You become, if the transaction is completed, the property of Christ, and you have been removed from the power and property of Satan, the ‘god’ of this world.

**“CAST AWAY FROM YOU ALL YOUR
TRANSGRESSIONS, WHEREBY YE HAVE
TRANSGRESSED;
AND MAKE YOU A NEW HEART
AND A NEW SPIRIT:
for why will ye die, O house of ISRAEL?
For I have NO PLEASURE IN THE DEATH
OF HIM THAT DIETH,
SAITH THE LORD GOD: WHEREFORE
TURN YOURSELVES,
AND LIVE YE.”
(Ezekiel 18:31-32)**

God is pleading to the house of Israel to **CAST AWAY THEIR SINS AND THEIR TRANSGRESSIONS**. How are they to do it? They must through **A GODLY REPENTANCE THAT LEADS ONE TO A NEW HEART, A NEW SPIRIT**. GOD SAYS “**TURN YOURSELVES**”. The turning itself IS SOMETHING THE INDIVIDUAL MUST DO; IT IS **NOT** SOMETHING GOD DOES. God asks “**WHY WILL YE DIE, O HOUSE OF ISRAEL?**” Just because they are the house of Israel does not exempt them in any way from the requirements of **RIGHTEOUSNESS**. At that time **LAW KEEPING** was their escape, because Jesus had not come yet. Israel was being told that an entirely **NEW SYSTEM** was coming. When it arrives, they will die in their sins if they do not obtain this **NEW HEART, THIS NEW SPIRIT**, because this itself is **THE NEW LAW**. In other words, we go from external ritual and law keeping, legalisms, etc. to **DIVINE LOVE WITHIN!!**

“**A NEW HEART also WILL I GIVE YOU,
and a
NEW SPIRIT WILL I PUT WITHIN YOU:
and I will TAKE AWAY THE STONY
HEART
**OUT OF YOUR FLESH, AND I WILL GIVE
YOU AN HEART OF FLESH.**
“**AND I WILL PUT MY SPIRIT WITHIN
YOU,
and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye
shall keep my judgments,
AND DO THEM.”
(Ezekiel 36:26-27)****

“And I will give them one heart, and ONE WAY that they may fear me for ever, for the good of them, and of their children after them: And I will make an everlasting covenant with them, that I will not turn away from them, to do them good; but I will put my fear in their hearts, that they shall not depart from me.”
Jeremiah 32:39-40

“But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the LORD, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people.”
Jeremiah 31:33

God was telling Israel in the Old Testament that an entirely NEW SYSTEM WAS COMING; not a system of LAW KEEPING AND RITUALS, or of FEAST DAYS and SABBATH DAYS. It was simply not going to have a PRIESTHOOD and BURNT OFFERINGS anymore ON EARTH. It was going to be replaced by something better. This was going to be something totally different, TOTALLY UNIQUE, A SPIRITUAL COVENANT, and when once entered into it was EVERLASTING, FOREVER, NEVER CEASING. They were being told about the **COMING ERA OF REBIRTH, also called REGENERATION, and in some places, the QUICKENING.**

Notice also that the Lord tells them He is going to give them **ONLY ONE WAY** into this covenant of Divine Love. There would be only ONE WAY to enter in. Jesus Himself said there was only ONE WAY into the New Covenant of rebirth – “strait and narrow”!! This stands in

direct opposition to the “many ways” of mankind to God, through a multitude of religions, concepts and rituals. All of these, according to Christ, are FRAUDS!!

Hebrews Chapter Eight is attempting to show the early Christians, who were almost all Jews that understood THE LAW, that a NEW COVENANT HAD BEEN CREATED VIA THE WORK OF JESUS CHRIST. This New Covenant is **not** entered into via WORKS OF RIGHTEOUSNESS OR LAW KEEPING, but via A **NEW HEART!** This is so important to understand. The ONLY WAY one can enter into this NEW COVENANT is via REBIRTH, or being BORN AGAIN, or BORN FROM ABOVE. It is NOT entered into by being holy, by works of righteousness, or by law keeping of any type. It is a totally NEW APPROACH, so new, so radical, that Jesus Himself said only a **few** would figure it out and actually enter in.

No one had ever heard of such a thing. No one could understand then, and only a few now evidently, that God actually performs a miracle upon the LOST BELIEVER in the act of REBIRTH. How could such a thing be? How could God, who created mankind, work such a work within the human being?

How could man’s internal SPIRIT be resurrected in NEW LIFE? And is such a thing, such an event, experiential or does one just accept that it has happened by an act of faith? In other words, is such an event non-experiential, and must simply be accepted by faith and belief alone, or is the believer fully aware that the event has indeed taken place? We will answer that as we go.

We will explore this new heart in complete detail later. One cannot enter the Kingdom of Heaven unless he is **BORN AGAIN, WHICH IS THE NEW HEART, AND NEW SPIRIT SPOKEN OF BY EZEKIEL AND JEREMIAH** (John 3:3-5). Believe it or not, the **ONE WAY** INTO THIS COVENANT WAS TOLD TO US IN THE OLD TESTAMENT, if you know where to look, and here is one example:

“And I will bring the blind by A WAY (singular way, that is ONE WAY) that they knew not; I will lead them in paths that they have not known: I will make darkness light before them, and crooked things straight. These things will I do unto them, and not forsake them.”

The subject of the Sermon on the Mount is how we enter into the Kingdom of Heaven, and Jesus said in John we must be born again, TO ENTER THE KINGDOM! He said in John one cannot see or enter the Kingdom unless they are born again. Jesus is obviously telling us HOW TO BE BORN AGAIN IN THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT! In other words, the **PARAMETERS OF HOW ONE OBTAINS THIS NEW HEART WILL BE FOUND IN MATTHEW FIVE, SIX AND SEVEN!** Notice the WAY mentioned here. It is a direct reference to the narrow way.

The vast multitudes that stand before Christ rejected were told by their preachers, teachers, and evangelists that these verses of Scripture did not apply to them because they were written to the Jews

or Israel. They forget we are PART of Israel!! If not that, they were told that the STRAIT GATE AND NARROW WAY did not mean what was plainly said. If the strait gate and narrow way were even acknowledged, the definitions were changed or altered to render it of no effect. For the most part, they claim that Christ was speaking to the Jews, not the Church, and therefore we must not pay any attention to them. It is this vast multitude or the “many” that stand before Christ totally rejected, because He says to them, “I never knew you...”

We will find out later that this terse rejection is based upon one fact: **THEY WERE NOT EVER BORN AGAIN**, and **NEVER HAD GOD’S SPIRIT PLACED WITHIN THEIR HEARTS AND MINDS**. That is why He says to them, “I never knew you...” How could God say He never knew them if HIS OWN SPIRIT WAS PLACED WITHIN THEM? **A QUESTION YOU MIGHT WANT TO PONDER**. We will explain all of this later.

What is being said here is extremely serious. **THE VERY ACT OF BEING BORN AGAIN MUST HAVE BEEN REDEFINED**. That is, the definition of what BORN AGAIN means MUST HAVE BEEN CHANGED so that multitudes of Christians, WHO WERE TOTALLY POSITIVE they are in fact born again, **ARE AND WERE NOT**. They embraced a theology that told them they were born again, when the event never happened.

God says that HE HIMSELF is going to give His people a new heart, and a new spirit. It is supernatural; not of man whatsoever. He also says that PRIOR TO THE GRANTING OF THIS NEW HEART AND SPIRIT,

MAN IS WITHOUT IT. You need not be given something if you already possess it. Therefore the New Covenant concerns itself with the supernatural bestowment of God's spirit ("My Spirit within you"). It is this **NEW SPIRIT** and **NEW HEART** that allows us entrance into the Kingdom. What is this New Spirit and New Heart? **IT IS THE BESTOWMENT OF A NEW TYPE OF LOVE IN THE HUMAN HEART: A RADICAL ALTERATION OF THE HEART, A LOVE CHANGE, FROM NATURAL HUMAN LOVES TO A WHOLE NEW TYPE OF LOVE, A **DIVINE LOVE**, CALLED IN THE GREEK, "AGAPE/AGAPAO".**

"Behold, WHAT MANNER OF AGAPE LOVE

the FATHER HATH BESTOWED UPON US THAT WE SHOULD BE CALLED THE SONS OF GOD..."

(1 John 3:1)

Obviously, if God gives us this type of LOVE, IT **MUST BE DIVINE**, because it comes from God Himself. One can determine if the Bible is speaking of DIVINE AGAPE simply by the context and if it pertains to the Lord. The modern theologians, along with the many preachers, teachers and evangelists will attempt to claim that the words for love, even the various types of PHILEO or AGAPE are all the same, and therefore can be intermixed.

They will then go through the Scripture and show how phileo and agape are interchanged, therefore there is no difference. These new leaders of so-called Christianity

have never met Christ (a requirement for rebirth, as we will prove), and do not know or understand what a radical and different form of love the Lord has. There is such a vast difference between the DIVINE LOVE OF GOD and many loves of man that it defies any language to tell of it!! In point of fact, modern Christian theology is more New Age than people realize, for it tells them that they have God within them when in fact He is not!!

There are many “loves” that fallen mankind has, but this is a **LOVE TYPE NO PERSON HAS EVER SEEN BEFORE, UNLESS HE IS TRULY BORN AGAIN.** Man is destitute of this type of LOVE. It is not even part of HIS NATURE. Let it be said right here that there is a **vast difference** between **DIVINE AGAPE** and mankind’s **FALLEN LOVE TYPES.** The Lord does not have to GIVE A PERSON HIS **DIVINE AGAPE LOVE** IF HE/SHE HAS IT ALREADY. John says **THIS IS SUCH A RADICALLY DIFFERENT LOVE TYPE THAT GOD HIMSELF MUST GIVE IT TO EACH PERSON.** “Behold what **MANNER OF LOVE...**” It is GOD THE FATHER THAT BESTOWS THIS GIFT TO US.

When John says for us to BEHOLD what MANNER of love this is, he is telling us this LOVE TYPE is totally different than anything mankind has ever seen before. Because of the fall of mankind, this love type was removed from man, and is not part of his nature.

Obviously, mankind **KNOWS NOTHING ABOUT THIS TYPE OF DIVINE LOVE,** which something we will prove later in this series. It is a hidden secret, revealed only to those who are obedient to the Lord. Obviously then, the preachers, teachers and evangelists

who advance the above arguments that all the love types are the same have never seen or beheld the LOVE OF GOD, because if they had, they would KNOW THE TRUTH. This is why they are rejected by Christ with His terse “I never knew you”. We will prove that these “leaders” of Christianity are not BORN AGAIN EITHER, and have no clue as to what it really means!

There are no words that can actually describe the LOVE OF GOD. It has to be revealed, and then it is unexplainable because of its depth, width, height and glory. You cannot imagine how much God loves you personally, for we are cut off from it because of the fall. Nevertheless, He loves you more than you can imagine, and wants you to come into His Kingdom. He says He wants **EVERYONE TO COME TO REPENTANCE**, and for **NO ONE TO BE LOST**.

Here we find total confirmation that God the Father puts His **DIVINE AGAPE** love into the AUTHENTIC BELIEVER. Notice who grants the gift of DIVINE AGAPE LOVE that makes one a TRUE SON OF GOD: **GOD HIMSELF!** Is that not what Ezekiel said? Did not Jesus Himself say:

**“...VERILY, VERILY, I SAY UNTO THEE,
EXCEPT A MAN
BE BORN AGAIN, HE CANNOT SEE THE
KINGDOM OF GOD.”**

**Jesus answered, VERILY, VERILY, I SAY
UNTO THEE,
EXCEPT A MAN BE BORN OF WATER
AND OF THE SPIRIT,**

**HE CANNOT ENTER INTO THE
KINGDOM OF GOD.**

**Marvel not that I said unto thee,
YE MUST BE BORN AGAIN.”**

(John 3:3, 5, 7)

The word “again” comes from the word ‘anothen’ which comes from ‘ano’ and it means **FROM ABOVE, FROM THE TOP, FROM THE BEGINNING OR FROM THE SPIRIT**. It means in effect **BORN FROM AN ACT OF GOD, BORN OF GOD, BORN FROM GOD HIMSELF**. In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus is speaking about **HOW WE ENTER THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN**. What Jesus is doing is laying down the **PARAMETERS** or **THE GUIDELINES** ON WHAT WE **MUST DO TO ENTER HIS KINGDOM**. **He is telling us how we obtain a new heart of Divine agape love, which is also called “LIFE”**:

**“We KNOW that we have passed from death
UNTO LIFE,
BECAUSE
WE (AGAPE) LOVE THE BRETHREN.
HE THAT (AGAPE) LOVETH NOT HIS
BROTHER
ABIDETH IN DEATH.”**
(1 John 3:14)

Divine Agape love bestowment **IS** what passes us from **DEATH UNTO LIFE**. To say otherwise would be to stand in opposition to a host of Scripture. Divine Agape love bestowment **IS THE REBIRTH EXPERIENCE OF THE REAL BORN AGAIN CHRISTIAN**. Divine Agape is **THE ESSENCE OF CHRIST, HIS SPIRIT, HIS COVERING, and HIS “ROBE”**. Agape love

brings life, for divine agape love IS LIFE. It will be proven that the very spiritual inner essence of God IS DIVINE AGAPE LOVE. Without it, all human souls remain in what God calls DEATH.

The subject of this POOR LOST CHRISTIAN series is DIVINE AGAPE LOVE. With it, one has ‘life’ and can enter heaven’s gate. Without it, you abide in death, and you will never see heaven at all. The Lord claims planet Earth is a **PLANET WITH NO DIVINE AGAPE IN IT**, a dead planet and a pit with no water. We are, as a human race, dead in our trespasses and sins although we are not aware of it.

All the narrow way does is EXPOSE US TO THIS FACT, AS IT REVEALS OUR TRUE STATE BEFORE A HOLY GOD. Few Christians can testify to this most awful death, judgment, and the condemnation that comes with it. The Holy Spirit, Jesus said, was sent to convict the world of SIN, RIGHTEOUSNESS and JUDGMENT. It is not a pleasant experience. To the contrary, if a Christian is convicted as the Holy Spirit must in order to save the soul, other “Christians” will often gather around them to “cast out” this evil spirit!! We’ll get into that later.

The modern Christian Church and their leaders totally reject these simple straightforward verses of Scripture and claim that Matthew Seven has nothing to do with the Church. **They are dead wrong**, pun intended. It has everything to do with REBIRTH. They also claim we enter into this REBIRTH by a simple act of faith and belief. Nothing could be FURTHER FROM THE TRUTH because it is a half-truth! Jesus warned about this type of theology, but few are paying any attention to

these warnings. Faith and belief are in reality a DYNAMIC FORCE that propels one to do as Christ commanded.

Jesus is explaining the protocol or by what method man MUST ENTER IN, and if a soul refuses for whatever reason, HE WILL NOT ENTER IN, BUT FACE ETERNAL RUIN. The New Covenant is a New Heart Covenant. A new heart brings with it a NEW LIFE. The New Covenant requires a new heart and a new divine spirit because THE BELIEVER MUST BE ADJUSTED BACK TO THE STANDARD OF GOD. GOD'S STANDARD IS PURE DIVINE AGAPE. The love within man from natural birth is opposed in principle to the divine agape love of God. Therefore man MUST undergo a radical LOVE CHANGE FROM NATURAL TO DIVINE, or he cannot enter the NEW COVENANT. This is why REPENTANCE is totally necessary.

This radical love change is the COVERING IN THE BOOK OF REVELATION AND IS CALLED THE "WHITE ROBE". If we do not have this white robe, we are naked, and our shame of sin appears. We would not need this covering at all if we were able to DIVINE AGAPE. We will examine this later.

Jeremiah tells us that the HEART OF FALLEN MANKIND IS TOTALLY DEPRAVED AND WICKED IN THE EYES OF GOD. Jeremiah 17:9 – "The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?" We are being told something of great importance – mankind is a FALLEN CREATURE, AND A HUMAN HEART IS TOTALLY WICKED AND SO DARK NO PERSON

CAN KNOW HOW DARK THEIR HEART REALLY IS. It is, in point of fact, HIDDEN FROM US. Now if the HEART OF MAN is depraved and wicked, obviously then it must, via some manner, undergo a radical transformation, and be RESURRECTED IN NEW “LIFE”, WHICH IS **DIVINE AGAPE, THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD.**

Paul said it this way, but it means the same thing: Romans 8:7: “Because the carnal mind **is enmity against God:** for it is **not subject** to the law of God, neither indeed can be.” The Bible is very clear: MANKIND IS DEAD IN HIS TRESPASSES AND SINS. He must move from DEATH TO LIFE, while ALIVE ON PLANET EARTH. He can only do that via the act of BEING BORN FROM ABOVE, by entering the New Covenant, which is done via rebirth.

The question then becomes, how do we enter into this NEW COVENANT OF DIVINE AGAPE? In spite of all of the protests to the contrary, Jesus tells us how in Matthew Chapter Seven, and further, says if you **HEAR HIS WORDS AND REFUSE THEM,** you are a foolish person and will be lost forever at the time of JUDGMENT. However, if you hear His words, and DO THEM, which means **OBEY HIM AND ACTUALLY DO THEM,** then you will STAND in the TIME OF JUDGMENT and BE SAVED.

CHAPTER TWO

PORTALS, GATEWAY TO HEAVEN

To understand what is happening and why, we need to grasp several key facts the Bible teaches us, facts that will be made manifest in the near future, but are almost unknown to the modern Christian. In the world of science fiction, a movie was produced called **STARGATE**. A TV spin-off was called **STARGATE SG-1** and it became one of the most popular shows ever, broadcasting to millions of viewers. In this series, a **STARGATE WAS FOUND IN ANCIENT EGYPT**, and this “GATE” allowed the SG-1 team to visit many other worlds through the portals it made, connecting to other planets of the universe simply by “dialing them up”. In a split second of time, the travelers would be instantly “teleported” to these distant planets via what science calls “wormholes”. It is not all science fiction. Having said that, we must also warn that the concepts brought forward by **STARGATE** are occult to the core, except for one thing, and that is **THE PORTAL** to another dimension, the **SPIRIT DIMENSION**.

The Bible teaches us that there are at least three dimensions, and science tells us there are likely many more. The first heaven is our sky, the second heaven is outer space, and **the THIRD HEAVEN is a totally**

different DIMENSION. It is a dimension that is totally unseen, **a dimension of SPIRIT**, a dimension the Bible maintains ACTUALLY RUNS AND CONTROLS THE PHYSICAL UNIVERSE of time, space, energy, matter, life and spirit on this side. Time means nothing in this dimension, which is eternal, meaning the absence of time, not endless time! This is a world we cannot comprehend, for our minds are made to operate through time and in the material universe. Time and space are a “prison” to mankind. In order to get out of “prison” one must get a “Get Out of Jail Free” card. Jesus is the only one who can give that card to us, because He was sent and anointed to do so.

The point being that PLANET EARTH is in fact the final battleground, the last stand, as it were, for a real and gigantic inter-dimensional STAR WARS between God and Satan. Planet Earth is mostly a spiritually dead planet, filled with many spiritually “dead” people, that are **dead to God**. The Bible tells us we are a FALLEN RACE, that is dead to God, dead to His Spirit, dead to Divine Agape. We lost it all at the fall, way back in the days of Adam and Eve. Everyone born on planet Earth is therefore DEAD SPIRITUALLY insofar as God is concerned. They are born dead, live in a dead state, and die dead, **unless they do what Jesus Christ commanded they do**. They must **ENTER THE STRAIT GATE AND WALK THE NARROW WAY**.

Now it must be said here that man is NOT AWARE he is dead, but considers himself to be very much alive. It is not until after he dies that he finds out the awful truth as to his true state before the creator. This is why Jesus came here, to WARN US ALL that we are in fact FALLEN, children of darkness, sons of darkness,

children of the night and thus evil! We don't like that concept, so we REJECT IT. What Christ was attempting to tell us is that we need to be RESCUED, and He was on a rescue mission. He came to redeem us, to bail us out, one could say, from a coming horrible fate that we are totally blind to!!

What is mankind's original response to this message? Death to the redeemer! Crucify Him! Away with Him! He is of the devil; He is of Satan himself!! It is even worse today. The rejection of Jesus Christ and His message of redemption has been all but totally tossed aside. In America, there is a growing tide of Christ rejection, just as the Bible said would happen at the time of the end!!

However, simply because the message is rejected does not mean the message is UNTRUE. To the contrary, the more it is rejected the more proof there is of its authenticity, because of mankind's hatred for the REAL truth! Mankind is DEAD TO GOD, and in full rebellion.

This death is passed down via the mating process to everyone. That is why the Bible tells us we are dead in trespasses and sin. Jesus worded it this way:

Luke 9:57-60

“And it came to pass, that, as they went in the way, a certain man said unto him, Lord, I will follow thee whithersoever thou goest.

And Jesus said unto him, Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay his head.

And he said unto another, Follow me. But he said, Lord, suffer me first to go and bury my father.

Jesus said unto him, Let the dead bury their dead: but go thou and preach the kingdom of God.”

Let the DEAD bury their own dead is a loaded comment. It is a statement we all need to ponder. The Bible makes it very clear that God considers us DEAD. There is no other way to say it, to clean it up or to make it more acceptable. To word it another way, because there is absolutely NO DIVINE AGAPE WITHIN THE HUMAN HEART, THEY ARE CONSIDERED “DEAD” TO GOD. We may be very much alive TO THIS WORLD, doing our thing, whatever it may be, but totally dead to God. It happened at the fall – “in the day you eat thereof, you shall surely die” (Gen. 2:17).

That is why Jesus Christ said **WE MUST BE BORN AGAIN**. We have been “born” into THIS MATERIAL WORLD, but are counted as dead in trespasses and sins. The REBIRTH, or the QUICKENING, or REGENERATION is in reality done through **a supernatural portal, or gateway** to GOD’S SPIRIT DIMENSION, MAKING US ALIVE TO GOD IN THE SPIRIT. Once we open this dimensional doorway, which is buried deep within our inner heart, we see and understand SPIRITUALLY and MENTALLY what the Kingdom of God really is. If we allow the SPIRIT OF CHRIST, WHOSE ESSENCE IS DIVINE AGAPE, TO ENTER INTO US, we are then considered BORN AGAIN. We will prove this later.

Eph 2:1-6

**“And you hath he quickened, who were dead
in trespasses and sins;**

**Wherein in time past ye walked according to
the course of this world, according to the
prince of the power of the
air, the spirit that now worketh in the children
of disobedience:**

**Among whom also we all had our conversation
in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling
the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and
were by nature the children of wrath, even as
others.**

**But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great
love wherewith he loved us,**

**Even when we were dead in sins,
hath quickened us together with
Christ, (by grace ye are saved;)**

**And hath raised us up together, and made us
sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus:”**

It is imperative to understand why Jesus claimed we had to be BORN AGAIN, BORN FROM “ABOVE”, by a divine act of God Himself. We are born into another DIMENSION, INTO THE REALM OF THE SPIRIT OF GOD. Without this REBIRTH, without this being BORN AGAIN, we cannot ENTER, SEE OR UNDERSTAND THE REAL NATURE OF **THE SPIRITUAL DIMENSION OF HEAVEN, the dimension of “eternity” and the abode of HEAVEN ITSELF.**

The human mind has a veil over it. Science tells us we only use about 10% of our brain, the other 90% is blocked off or not in use, that is, as we use the rest of our mind. We will find the reason for this veil is because of the **FALL OF MAN**. There appears to be a connection to the **SPIRIT WORLD** in the blocked off portion of our brain, and when a person is **BORN AGAIN**, **THE VEIL IS "LIFTED" FOR A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME TO SHOW US THE ACTUAL REALITY OF GOD**.

Beware however, there is also the dimension of Satan's kingdom, demons and fallen angels. That is why there is only one way into God's Kingdom, and it is well laid out and very specific. Jesus Himself referred to this "door", which means "portal". Ignore the commands, and you will open up another "doorway", that you will wish you had never opened.

Rev 3:20

"Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me."

The word for "door" actually means "portal" and we know this must be a **DIMENSIONAL PORTAL**, for Jesus is now in Heaven, which is in another dimension. He also referred to the **GATES OF HELL**, which is another portal thus another doorway. We will cover this later as part of this series.

John 3:5-8

"Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the

**Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of
God.**

**That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and
that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.**

**Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be
born again.**

**The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou
hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell
whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is
every one that is born of the Spirit.**

The word “must” **is an imperative**. There are no options to it. It is an imperative because the entire human race is FALLEN, and that means SPIRITUALLY DEAD TO GOD. There is only one entrance into the KINGDOM OF GOD, only ONE WAY, and is called “strait and narrow”.

This is why “good works”, “law keeping” and other forms of “legalisms” mean NOTHING WHATEVER, for they are not the point. A fallen creature, who is dead to God, no matter how good the works, is still “dead” or fallen! No matter how “righteous” a person may think they are IN THIS WORLD, NO MATTER HOW WONDERFUL THEIR GIVING, they are still VERY DEAD TO GOD. This is a hard message, and hard to hear, but it is a truth that few ever figure out. No one is exempt here. If you are born into the human family, you are dead to the Creator God of this universe. All the “works” are done in the flesh, thus being carnal and are not of the spirit.

The simplicity of all of this is stunning. We are dealing with two different worlds, one here, our material world, and one “over there”, the dimension of the Spirit. We don’t feel dead. We are alive in this world, busy about being busy. As Bob Dylan said, “He who is not busy being born is busy dying.” Our nature is such that we don’t realize our **TRUE CONDITION BEFORE A HOLY GOD, because we are alive in the flesh**. It all seems so “out there” or nebulous, ethereal, so distant a concept it is hard to grasp. The Bible tells us not to lean upon our own understanding, but to take God’s Word for it. If God says we are dead in trespasses and sins, accept it at that. The reason He tells us this is because He is **OF THE SPIRIT**, and much of what the Bible has to say about the redemption of mankind is **SPIRITUAL**. This means redemption is totally unknown to us, a hidden thing or a secret thing.

To transport us from our spiritually **DEAD CONDITION** to that of being **MADE ALIVE IN GOD** and in the Spirit, there is this thing called **BEING BORN AGAIN, or BORN FROM ABOVE**, that is reborn **SPIRITUALLY**. To be born from “above” simply means that God Himself is the one who performs the miracle of **REBIRTH**. Jesus Christ said there is only **ONE WAY** to cross over the dimension “gate” that divides mankind from God. **YOU MUST BE BORN AGAIN.**

He Himself called this door a “portal”. This “door” lies deep within in a place called “the hidden man” or the inner heart. The strait gate and narrow way are the only “way” into this inner heart, the core of our being. If one refuses to travel it, one never discovers this secret inner chamber, and doorway that leads to God. Here is what Christ said about it, and He is speaking of the **INNER**

HEART, THAT UNKNOWN, DEEP CORE WITHIN EVERY HUMAN BEING:

Rev 3:20-22

“Behold, I stand at the DOOR knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the DOOR, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.

To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne.

He that hath an ear, let him hear what THE SPIRIT saith unto the churches.”

The word “door” is most interesting. It comes from the Greek word “thura” and it means PORTAL as we have said. This is repeated because it is so important. Two other meanings come from that word, one A SHIELD, and the second A WINDOW OR APERTURE. All of them apply in various ways. This is a window into what? This is another dimension; the dimension that God lives in. If anyone ever watched STARGATE SG-1, they will remember how the PORTAL OPENS just like the aperture of a camera!!

This word door is used FOR REBIRTH and the discussion here in Revelation is all about TRUE AUTHENTIC REBIRTH. Christ stands at the **inner core of the human being, at the very core of their hidden inner SPIRIT heart, and is knocking at that spiritual door.** The problem is, ONLY THE FEW ever walk the narrow way into their inner spiritual heart and **hear the knocking, hear His voice and open the door, and have**

a literal one on one with the Lord of the universe.

This aspect of REBIRTH is totally denied by modern Christian theology, and is in fact branded as Satanic, even though there are many verses of Scripture to prove it is true.

Here is what Jesus said about this KINGDOM, and once again, He was referring to the inner hidden SPIRITUAL heart of mankind.

Luke 17:20-21

“And when he was demanded of the Pharisees, when the kingdom of God should come, he answered them and said, The kingdom of God cometh not with observation:

Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold, the kingdom of God is within you.”

Most people have no idea that the Lord gave us a multitude of clues in the design of the Jewish Tabernacle and later their Temple. It is patterned after the construct of the human soul and spirit, for the real believer in the Lord is called a “temple”.

The OUTER COURT represents the conscious mind, or THE WORLD WE LIVE IN. It was in the OUTER COURT that all of the religious rituals took place. However, beyond the OUTER COURT was what was called THE INNER COURT. It was hidden from view by a VEIL. The INNER COURT REPRESENTS THE SUB-CONSCIOUS MIND. Just as in the tabernacle, the sub-conscious mind is VEILED FROM THE CONSCIOUS MIND. Now beyond the INNER COURT lay a place called the HOLY OF HOLIES. Within the

Holy of Holies was the ARK OF THE COVENANT. The Ark contained some very interesting things, such as THE TEN COMMANDMENTS, AARON'S ROD THAT BUDDERED and MANNA. Above all of this, in between the CHERUBIM WAS THE SHEKINAH GLORY, the very presence of God Himself. In the human construction, this HOLY OF HOLIES is the HIDDEN INNER SPIRIT HEART OF MAN, the INNER SPIRIT OF MAN. It is also referred to as the INNER MAN.

Eph 3:14-19

**“For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father
of our Lord Jesus Christ,**

**Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth
is named,**

**That he would grant you, according to the
riches of his glory, to be strengthened with
might by his Spirit in the inner man;**

**That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith;
that ye, being rooted and grounded in love,**

**May be able to comprehend with all saints
what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and
height;**

**And to know the love of Christ, which passeth
knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the
fulness of God.”**

1 Peter 3:4

**“But let it be the hidden man of the heart,
in that which is not corruptible, even the
ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is
in the sight of God of great price.”**

Within this INNER CORE OF OUR BEING lies a most evil, hate-filled selfish entity that is totally hidden from view, TOTALLY UNKNOWN TO US, INVISIBLE and UNKNOWABLE. It is our INNER SPIRIT HEART!! Jeremiah said this: Jeremiah 17:9-10: **“The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it? I the LORD search the heart, I try the reins, even to give every man according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings.”**

This inner core SPIRIT heart of man resides in our own ANTICHRIST HOLY OF HOLIES, and runs the affairs of our LIFE IN SECRET! Indeed WHO CAN KNOW IT? The answer is simple, NO ONE, unless they travel the narrow way to discover the truth about themselves!!

Rom 8:6-8

“For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.

Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be.

So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God.”

When Christ said “let the dead bury their own dead”, or when the Bible refers to us as DEAD IN OUR TRESPASSES AND SINS, these remarks are most serious indeed. Understand that these concepts are the condition of OUR SPIRIT MAN, not the flesh man!!

The strait gate and narrow way are the ONLY WAY INTO THIS ANTICHRIST INNER THRONE ROOM. Remember the fall of man? When man fell, HE DIED A SPIRITUAL DEATH. Here is what Jesus said about it:

John 6:63

It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life.

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Now most people would never think of themselves as haters of God, would deny it with great anger, yet herein lies one of our many delusions! How else do you explain the remarks of Christ when He said in Matt 15:8-9:

“This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me. But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.”

This occurs because modern man has rejected, by and large, the concept of THE SPIRIT. What has happened is that the Church has mixed together the FLESH with the SPIRIT, and for example claims that when THE FLESH MIND OR CARNAL MIND undergoes a CONVERSION TO CHRIST they have been “born again”. You hear that all the time at these great “crusades” of the famous evangelists. Conversion is of the FLESH MAN, the CARNAL MIND, and has nothing to do with the SPIRIT MAN! The many who stand before Christ rejected were rejected because they never understood the radical difference between THE FLESH and the SPIRIT. They were told they were born again when in fact their inner spirit man was NEVER

TOUCHED due to their carnal mind decisions, nor can it be since this is the domain of God.

That is why there is a NARROW WAY, and that is why there is only ONE NARROW WAY, for it is the PATHWAY to the SPIRIT MAN, and if not taken, results in NO SPIRITUAL REBIRTH!! Christ was adamant about it! You either enter in, or you will be cast out! But if you do enter in, you will in “no wise be cast out”!!

Now there are hypocrites, but this is referring to something deeper, to people who honestly believe they love the Lord, and who are serving the Lord in their lives but are under a delusion as explained above. The MANY of Mathew Chapter Seven were under the same delusion. How does it happen? It happens because their OUTER COURT CONSCIOUS MIND may indeed have given itself over through CONVERSION to the Lord. However, deep inside in the hidden inner spirit heart, there was no such commitment made whatsoever, and so therefore there was no REGENERATION OF THE SPIRIT!

There is a vast difference between our flesh minds and OUR SPIRIT that resides deep within. Jesus had this to say about the key differences, and notice how He divides it all up between FLESH and SPIRIT.

John 3:6-7

“That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again.”

John 6:63

“It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life.”

We could word it this way. CONVERSION is something done in the CONSCIOUS MIND, OF THE FLESH and it is an “outer court function”. Conversions are OUTER COURT ACTIVITY. It is something WE DO.

On the other hand, REGENERATION or REBIRTH can only be ACCOMPLISHED in the HOLY OF HOLIES of the fallen inner spirit heart. It can only be done when the Christian has journeyed the NARROW WAY into their own HOLY OF HOLIES, and **OPENED THE DOOR TO CHRIST**, because it **IS OF THE SPIRIT, DEEP WITHIN**.

Regeneration is something that the Lord does to us! What passes for “rebirth” today is wholly and totally a deception, a deception of Satan, and this so-called “rebirth” is false. It is a fraud, because it is of THE FLESH, of the SENSE MAN, the CARNAL MAN, and this deception was one warned about in the Bible itself!! We will prove in this series that the multitudes who stand before Christ REJECTED were in fact sincere and dedicated **conversionary** Christians, but NEVER were **regenerated**, because they thought their FLESH MAN was also of their SPIRIT.

Christ gave us NO OTHER way for us to open the door to our inner heart, where the SPIRIT MAN RESIDES.

When Christ died upon the cross, the veil of the temple was rent. It was showing us that Christ was making a way for us to enter into our own Holy of Holies and open the door to Him. We could word it another way, and say that Christ made the way for us to enter into our inner spirit man!! This narrow way takes us all the way through our INNER COURT and directly into our HOLY OF HOLIES. It is the only way to dethrone this haughty, arrogant and totally antichrist spirit within.

The Holy Spirit's work is to convict of sin, righteousness and judgment, and that is what the narrow way is for and what it does. The Bible tells us that **only a few ever do it**. Most Christians die and stand before Christ utterly rejected because they never walked the narrow way at all. They never knew ANYTHING about **this hidden inner antichrist spirit heart**. All of their activity was ritual and religion of the conscious mind, the outer court. It was of the carnal man, the flesh man, and they never understood the tremendous difference between the two concepts. They went to Church, sang their hymns, gave their money and never once found the real truth. It was only after they died, and CROSSED OVER into the SPIRIT WORLD, that they discover the terrible truth, just as all unbelievers in the world do as well. When a person CROSSES OVER in death, the **mask is ripped off, and the true state of that person is revealed**, and that is they were spiritually dead! You see when a person dies, the spirit continues, sheds the body, and moves on into the spirit realm. Where that spirit goes is no mystery to the Lord. If the spirit man is not REGENERATED while that person was alive, then that spirit man and soul are taken down to the pit of ruin. If the spirit man was resurrected in NEW LIFE, than that spirit and soul enter into Heaven.

The Lord does not want anyone to go into eternal ruin. He wants everyone to come to repentance. Godly repentance is of SPIRIT MAN, and is a LOVE ISSUE. Worldly sorry and worldly repentance have nothing to do with SPIRITUAL REPENTANCE. The difference between FLESH MAN and SPIRIT MAN, and the DISTANCE between THE TWO, is the STRAIT GATE and NARROW WAY! That is why Jesus Christ COMMANDED us to enter in, because it is the ONLY WAY to cross over, while we are alive in THIS WORLD, into the SPIRITUAL WORLD OF HEAVEN AND GOD. To sum it all up, the INNER HEART, the INNER MAN is where the SPIRIT SALVATION PORTAL IS. You are the only one who can unlock that portal, but it is of the SPIRIT MAN, and only the SPIRIT MAN CAN UNLOCK IT!!

Remember when Jesus said He stands at the door (spiritual portal) and knocks? He says that rebirth is of THE SPIRIT, and the FLESH is not involved? These are clues as to why we cannot of ourselves REACH INTO OUR SPIRIT MAN AND UNLOCK THE DOOR, even though we are fully aware of it when it actually happens.

John 6:44

“No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day.”

The spiritual aspect of man cannot be reached by mankind whatsoever. It is off limits, and for good reason. God has designed the human being in such a way and with foreknowledge of the fall, that he placed within us a method by which we could travel inward to the where the spirit man sits upon the antichrist throne, unseat him,

and allow Christ to take His rightful place upon that throne!! That is why CONVERSION is so radically different than regeneration. Conversion is of the carnal man, the flesh man, the sense man, of the conscious mind, and is something that man does of his own free will.

REGENERATION on the other hand, is OF THE SPIRIT, and done only when certain requirements have been met, and the distance between CONVERSION and regeneration is a strait gate and narrow way! To word it another way, we can of our free will become CONVERTED and follow the Christian walk. However, we cannot come to Christ without the help of God, because it is beyond our human capability to accomplish it. That is what Christ was speaking of when He said the Father must DRAW (DRAG) the believer to Him.

CHAPTER THREE

STRAIT GATES, NARROW WAYS

**“ENTER YE IN AT THE STRAIT GATE:
for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that
leadeth to DESTRUCTION,
and MANY there be that go in thereat:
BECAUSE
STRAIT IS THE GATE, AND NARROW IS
THE WAY,
THAT LEADETH UNTO LIFE
(THE NEW COVENANT OF AGAPE LOVE),
and FEW THERE BE that FIND IT.”**
(Matthew 7:13, 14)

Notice the word life. Life sits at the **END** of the narrow way. It **does not** sit at the beginning or the middle. The destination of the narrow way is LIFE, **FOR THE NARROW WAY LEADS TO IT.** The reason for this is that the Holy of Holies, that inner man, or hidden inner spirit heart, **MUST BE REACHED BEFORE A PERSON CAN OPEN THE SPIRIT DOOR OR PORTAL TO LET CHRIST IN**, and 1 John 5:12 says: “He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.” You cannot have LIFE until you let Christ into your HOLY OF HOLIES. You cannot

go to your Holy of Holies unless you travel the NARROW WAY. You cannot travel the narrow way without God.

Modern Christian rebirth theology is a fraud, a lie, and a deception and warned about in many places of Scripture. It is all of the CARNAL, FLESH and SENSE MAN. It has nothing to do with the SPIRIT MAN. We will come back to this aspect later in this series. For now CROSS COMPARE these verses and you will see Matthew Five, Six and Seven concern themselves with THE NEW SPIRIT BIRTH WHICH IS HOW WE ENTER THE “NEW COVENANT”, or how we transport ourselves, through a dimensional “portal” from DEATH unto LIFE. The question then becomes, **HOW DO WE BECOME “BORN AGAIN”?**

Jesus is making a valid presentation to Israel of the New Covenant, which contains other aspects as well, including the Millennial Reign, the rule of the nation Israel with great prosperity, etc. Because Israel REFUSED JESUS CHRIST, THE ONLY MEDIATOR OF THE NEW COVENANT, **THEY REJECTED THE NEW HEART ASPECT**. Those that refused to enter in via the method Jesus gave to them, and THEY WERE EXCLUDED. Likewise will any believer in Jesus Christ be EXCLUDED IF THEY REFUSE TO ADHERE TO THE PARAMETERS GIVEN BY JESUS CHRIST TO ENTER IN. The “Many” of Matthew Chapter Seven could NOT HAVE ENTERED IN OR WALKED THE NARROW WAY, because had they done as Jesus commanded them to do, they WOULD NOT BE REJECTED.

John 6:37-38

“All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out.

For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me.”

Notice what He says, ALL THAT COME TO HIM, WILL NOT BE CAST OUT. Notice the word “come”, for it is far different than BELIEVE!! We are to COME TO CHRIST, and to do that we must be obedient to the commands of Christ to ENTER IN.

Conclusion:

The Lord is not a respecter of people. If Israel, the real olive tree, God’s own chosen people, are utterly excluded for refusing THE METHOD GOD ORDAINED, then why would any Christian, who is a wild olive branch, think he would not be excluded as well IF HE REFUSES THE METHOD GOD HAS ORDAINED?

Either one enters the strait gate and walks the narrow way or he/she will perish forever. Jesus only gave us this ONE WAY. Because Israel rejected the new heart aspects of the New Covenant, THEIR ENTIRE PORTION OF THE NEW COVENANT WAS DELAYED (Romans 11:25-27; until the times of the gentiles be fulfilled), and the NEW HEART ASPECTS WERE GIVEN TO THE CHURCH (another nation) to provoke Israel to jealousy (Romans 10:19).

It is imperative to understand that when the Lord gives us only ONE WAY, and we refuse to take it, because of

our bias, theology, upbringing, or religious beliefs, that we are lost. As there is only one way to enter into the narrow way, and it is via the strait gate, that means all other ways are excluded. The human race does not like being told what to do, and it most certainly does not like exclusive commands like this. The reason we don't like it is because of OUR REBELLION, which is a VERY DEEP REBELLION, even if we don't realize it.

Therefore there are **NOT TWO WAYS** to enter into the New Covenant, which Jesus Himself points out, calling the other way into the Kingdom a fake, a fraud, and a falsehood. The Christians, being bent upon finding NEW WAYS INTO THE COVENANT, have built a huge library of assorted doctrines, with each denomination claiming it is the CORRECT WAY! These multitudes of choices all have one common reason: to avoid the Cross, to avoid the "offense" of the Cross, to avoid the "death" required of the Cross. This why Jesus tells us that ONLY A "FEW", which means a TINY AMOUNT OF PEOPLE, actually find the real entrance and life itself.

If anyone reading this does not think there is a genuine HATRED and HOSTILITY to the STRAIT GATE AND NARROW WAY, try getting up in Church and simply read what Christ ACTUALLY SAID concerning the "WAY OF THE TRUTH" which will be evil spoken of, hated, and rejected during the CHURCH AGE. The ones that bring the NARROW WAY and the WAY OF THE CROSS will likewise be despised, hated, ridiculed and tossed aside like so much rubbish. They will be accused of "bringing another Gospel, another Christ". You see, if you embrace the LIE as the TRUTH, you must and you will be adamant that the TRUTH is in fact A LIE. You have no options here, and the warnings of the Scriptures

to STUDY, to seek after wisdom and to obtain understanding are not there for the fun of it. There is nothing more important than the salvation of ONE'S SOUL.

Israel's rejection of the New Covenant paved the way for the Church. This presentation of spiritual salvation to the nation of Israel was indeed valid. Israel had the right and the duty to enter in. That is why Jesus said that John the Baptist WAS 'Elias' **IF** Israel would receive it. Had Israel received Christ, the New Covenant would have been brought in, and the Millennial Reign of Christ would have begun! God foreknew they would reject Christ, but that does not negate the authenticity of the offer made.

Israel was looking for a **political** Messiah, one that would lead them into a worldwide dominion. They did not understand **nor desire to know the spiritual side of the Kingdom.** Their Kingdom of God was upon earth, a physical kingdom, and their promises were for this life upon earth. IT WAS ALL OF THIS WORLD. They wanted to bring heaven down to earth, which is exactly what antichrist attempts to do.

Jesus brought a message Israel did not want to hear. He also gave them all of the signs written in the Old Testament to PROVE WHO HE WAS. They were without any excuse, and likewise the believer in Christ **is without any excuse, if he/she refuses to comply with the parameters Jesus laid down to enter in.** The dispensation of Law Keeping was over, and Christ ushered in a whole new concept, a whole New Covenant, a brand new program. The law, which had been EXTERNAL, was now going to be made INTERNAL,

and written on the ‘inward parts’ or their innermost center of being, their **HIDDEN INNER “HEART”**.

The law itself remains unchanged (Matthew 5:17-19). Jesus is the **END OF THE LAW FOR THEM WHICH BELIEVE ONLY, AND THAT WORD “BELIEVE” IS WELL QUALIFIED.** Modern Christian theology hangs everything on the words “believe” and “faith” and totally ignores all of the other comments of Christ which define what He means by those words. For all others **THAT DO NOT “BELIEVE”**, the law is still in full force and effect, in spite of theology to the contrary. Jesus insisted the **LAW WOULD REMAIN RIGHT THROUGH TO THE END.** It is via the Law that all unbelievers and many believers who thought they were saved will be condemned to eternal ruin. What saves the human soul and spirit is receiving the new heart and new spirit! The external law, which is nothing but a reflection of Divine Agape Love, is written into the center of man, the **SPIRIT heart!**

The Law goes from external rules to Divine Agape Love within! If a person **DIVINELY AGAPE LOVES**, which cannot be done **except and unless authentic regeneration has occurred,** he fulfills all the **LAW** (Romans 13:8-10). The word love in those verses is A **REFERENCE TO DIVINE AGAPE.** Paul is blunt; **DIVINE AGAPE LOVE FULFILLS ALL THE LAW.** This issue of **DIVINE AGAPE** is the **ONLY ISSUE BETWEEN SPIRIT MAN AND GOD.** The lack of Divine Agape is the **ROOT OF ALL SIN.**

Jesus is attempting to explain to Israel how to find and appropriate this new law, the law of **DIVINE AGAPE LOVE WITHIN**, the covenant of a new heart within, and **a supernaturally** changed human heart. This is a heart

that allows us to fulfill all the law via AGAPE LOVE WITHIN. It is this **LOVE CHANGE** that brings LIFE, and this LOVE CHANGE that allows us to enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Christ is the **ONLY MEDIATOR** of the New Covenant (1 Timothy 2:5; Hebrews 8:6; 9:15; 12:24). There is no other name under heaven by which we must be saved.

Why is this so? Well, it falls under the concept of what is known as REDEMPTION, or the paying of a purchase price to redeem the object in question. It also falls under what is known as KINSMAN-REDEEMER LAW, an ancient law of Israel. The world sees Jesus Christ as some sort of avatar, ascended master, a being of light, and all sorts of assorted names which basically mean DIVINE TEACHER. The redeemer aspect is left out, for it implies that mankind is somehow flawed, fallen, etc. The basic foundation, the bottom line of the Bible as it were, stands upon the premise of A FALLEN MANKIND. If mankind did NOT FALL, there is no need for redemption. If we are all fallen creatures, then we **DO NEED** REDEMPTION. Whereas other beliefs can have many avatars, ascended masters, light bringers and all of that, we only need one redeemer, one purchase of the entire human race!

The entire message of the Bible rests upon this **FALL FROM GRACE**. It is the story of being REDEEMED and the story of a REDEEMER. As we only need ONE REDEEMER, then we need only look for **one name that said he came to redeem**, to save that WHICH WAS LOST. His name is Jesus Christ! He solves the DIVINE AGAPE ISSUE.

Jesus is also called the mediator of the NEW COVENANT, that is, He stands as a BRIDGE between

Man and God The Father. We could go further than that and say that Jesus is, for all practical purposes, THE NEW COVENANT. His Divine essence is AGAPE, and the NEW COVENANT'S essence is also DIVINE AGAPE LOVE. Divine Agape is that which resurrects the fallen spirit of man, for this is a SPIRITUAL transaction, for the flesh does not profit anything. Thus one could say that the redemption of mankind is a restoration process, first a NEW SPIRIT, and then at the Second Advent, a NEW BODY.

Therefore the primary issue between man and God is a LOVE ISSUE, for the standard of God is DIVINE AGAPE, and that is what everyone will be measured by in the JUDGMENT. You cannot have a judgment without some standard by which to judge. As man lost Divine Agape at the fall, and that condemns him to eternal ruin, then God sent Christ into the world to REDEEM through a resurrected spirit via REBIRTH.

He did so because He knew that no human being could ever stand before the Lord and pass this judgment. There was only one thing He could do, and that was to send in a REDEEMER who could redeem the human race, pay the price and with the COVERING OF THE REDEEMER the soul would not be lost. We need only ONE REDEEMER. Jesus Christ IS that redeemer!

The world hates that message for it EXCLUDES all other religions, all other names, and all other concepts of mankind. In fact, if properly understood, it dashes to pieces the world of man. God the Father anointed Jesus Christ as the ONLY ONE who has the KEYS TO DEATH, HELL AND HEAVEN. Why? This is because the human race only needs one REDEEMER.

Matt 16:19

“And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.”

Rev 1:18

“I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death.”

We are not speaking here of avatars, ascended masters, beings of light, or other forms of mysterious teachers, but we are speaking here of one who was anointed by God to be the **redeemer** of a lost, fallen and spiritually dead human race. There is a vast difference between one who simply teaches, and one who can change our very nature via the act of REBIRTH.

We only need ONE REDEEMER; but there can be thousands of TEACHERS. But no matter how much one LEARNS, it does not change their NATURE, for they are born with it, live with it, and die with it. **Only God can change the essence of our very nature itself, and He does at REBIRTH.** Please understand that one key fact.

Jesus is the REDEEMER-MEDIATOR. If Jesus is the mediator, then should we not pay attention to what He said to us? Is this why He says:

Luke 6:46-49

“And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?”

Whosoever cometh to me, and heareth my sayings, and doeth them, I will shew you to whom he is like:

He is like a man which built an house, and digged deep, and laid the foundation on a rock: and when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently upon that house, and could not shake it: for it was founded upon a rock.

But he that heareth, and doeth not, is like a man that without a foundation built an house upon the earth; against which the stream did beat vehemently, and immediately it fell; and the ruin of that house was great.”

Israel REJECTED CHRIST (Matthew 12:24-50). They killed Him using the Romans to do it (Acts 4:10). Lots of people blame the Jews for killing Christ, which is true, but it goes far beyond that. God simply used the Jews to accomplish the redemption of the entire world, and had it not been the Jews, it would have been another tribe of man. We could say the entire human race killed Christ, for the Bible tells us the entire human race is fallen and God is an enemy of theirs (in their eyes)! Because Israel refused, Christ began to build the foundation of the Church. Israel insisted upon keeping the Law (Roman 9:31-32; 10:1-4), and the Church comes into the New Covenant (Romans 11), as the ***WILD OLIVE BRANCH*** grafted into the house of Israel.

Rom 11:13-22

“For I speak to you Gentiles, inasmuch as I am the apostle of the Gentiles, I magnify mine office:

If by any means I may provoke to emulation them which are my flesh, and might save some of them.

For if the casting away of them be the reconciling of the world, what shall the receiving of them be, but life from the dead? For if the firstfruit be holy, the lump is also holy: and if the root be holy, so are the branches.

And if some of the branches be broken off, and thou, being a wild olive tree, wert grafted in among them, and with them partakest of the root and fatness of the olive tree; Boast not against the branches. But if thou boast, thou bearest not the root, but the root thee.

Thou wilt say then, The branches were broken off, that I might be grafted in. Well; because of unbelief they were broken off, and thou standest by faith. Be not highminded, but fear:

For if God spared not the natural branches, take heed lest he also spare not thee. Behold therefore the goodness and severity of God: on them which fell, severity; but toward thee, goodness, if thou continue in his goodness: otherwise thou also shalt be cut off.”

The Church then has the right to enter the Kingdom of Heaven **via the new birth**, which is the only entry way into the new covenant. When we undergo *authentic regeneration*, we become true heirs to the promise (Romans 4; Galatians 4:1-7), by the dynamics of **TRUE** faith. Israel was the **FIRST** to get the message, and rejected it, and the Church was the **LAST** to get the message and **ACCEPTED IT**. Thus “**THE FIRST**

SHALL BE LAST, AND THE LAST SHALL BE FIRST!”

The Sermon on the Mount outlines the conditions by which we are to enter in to find LIFE. It deals wholly with **how to enter the Kingdom of Heaven**. The entire mission given to the church was to spread the Word that mankind **is fallen, needs redemption**. If mankind is to enter Heaven, **they must do what the Redeemer says to do**, which is to enter in!! How could anyone suggest that the Sermon on the Mount does not apply to us now, because its entire message is one of “entering in”? Only **severe** apostasy could bring about such terrible and damnable heresies.

Now we know that most of the world totally rejects this terrible news of being “fallen creatures”. It is an insult to their arrogant and haughty hearts. How dare anyone suggest that mankind has some type of problem!! How dare anyone suggest that we are under the influence of some invisible entity named Satan!! How dare anyone say we are “evil”. That message is rejected out of hand.

Within the Church, the Bible says that Satan and his minions come in to destroy the flock, to prevent them from “ENTERING IN”. To do so, he must attack the only true pathway to the New Covenant. He must destroy, by deception, the WAY. He uses Christian leaders to do it, and they have done a remarkable job. To suggest that the Sermon on the Mount is only for Israel, when the entire subject is on how to enter into heaven applies only to them, is one way of destroying “the way”.

Did not Jesus say “**ENTER YE IN?**” Into what? The New Covenant, the New Birth! Jesus is telling you there are two ways, two gates or two methods by which HIS

BELIEVERS, HIS DISCIPLES, HIS PEOPLE or all THE “CHRISTIANS” are going to ATTEMPT to enter this NEW COVENANT. One way is via a very wide gate and a broad way which has a sign over it that says “HEAVEN THIS WAY, ALL BELIEVERS IN JESUS, ENTER HERE.” Satan and his FALSE CHRISTIAN PROPHETS painted that sign to deceive believers. It is a FABRICATION, A DECEPTION that appears right, sounds right, feels right, and even appears to check out correctly in Scripture, unless one digs deep enough to uncover the deception.

Those that attempt to say that Mathew FIVE, SIX and SEVEN apply only to ancient Israel, are attempting to place you ON THE BROAD WAY AND KEEP YOU THERE. They are, without even realizing it, on the broad way to eternal ruin themselves. Any other theology, that keeps one from entering in via THE STRAIT GATE and taking the NARROW WAY, is a very deceptive belief system that does not explain even the most basic fundamentals. Today that means a huge number of belief systems, that we call denominations, for the leaven of deceptions has spread to almost all areas of the Church. The broad way is the “way” of the vast majority Christians today. The strait gate is evil spoken of. Only the broad way remains in the popular modern churches.

Conclusion:

There is ANOTHER GATE, and another WAY, which Jesus termed STRAIT AND NARROW. Jesus said that only a few of His people, His believers, would enter into this strait gate and walk this narrow way. The vast majority of Christians would REJECT IT. They would build up a theology that would

offer an alternative, but attractive, method of obtaining a new heart. This new alternative way would fabricate a NEW JESUS, A NEW GOSPEL. But this new Jesus would be a master counterfeit, a look alike, with a gospel so close to the original that the MANY WOULD NOT DETECT THE FATAL FLAW IN THEIR THEOLOGY.

It would be embraced by the VAST MAJORITY of the Body of Christ as authentic, as correct. That is why the MANY CHRISTIAN LEADERS STAND BEFORE CHRIST CONDEMNED. Peter, through the Holy Spirit, said their multitude of followers LIKEWISE ARE CONDEMNED. Their theology was incorrect and they suffer eternal loss.

This new “way” would use all the Words, but would be of the flesh man, the carnal man, and would ignore the SPIRIT MAN, claiming them to be one and the same. It would destroy the strait gate and narrow way, and declare the real truth to be a lie.

Therefore in reality there is only **ONE GATE** and **ONE WAY** by which we may enter into the Kingdom of God, into the Spiritual New Covenant. That **ONE WAY** leads to **LIFE, WHICH IS AGAPE LOVE BESTOWMENT**. The other leads to eternal loss and ruin, however it **APPEARS** as being the correct way! It will claim to give a new heart and it will claim with total ‘authority’ that heaven is the destination. It will claim a true and authentic union with Jesus Christ, and try to seize the earthly and present part of the promise.

The vast majority of Christians will claim to be sons of God, but they will be in truth bastard sons. They are lawless, for they refused to obey the parameters Christ gave them. As a result of their false theology, they are sent away.

Heb 12:5-8

“And ye have forgotten the exhortation which speaketh unto you as unto children, My son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of him:

For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth.

If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chasteneth not?

But if ye be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are ye bastards, and not sons.”

Why are they bastard sons? Because their so-called salvation was carnal, of the flesh, and not of the spirit, which makes them bastards! To be a true Son of God, one must be reborn OF THE SPIRIT, and it is obvious these poor folks were NOT!!

LET HIM WHO HAS EARS TO HEAR, LET HIM HEAR.

The Sermon on the Mount then is a sermon on **HOW TO GET SAVED**. It applies totally to the Church and the entire church age. The people Jesus addresses are

HIS FOLLOWERS, HIS BELIEVERS. In spite of what has been taught by modern churches, the Scriptures are not essentially written to unbelievers and yet it was written to the entire world!! To solve this enigma, we need only to understand that rarely are unbelievers even mentioned and when they are, they are the “world” at large and the judgments that will fall upon them for Christ rejection.

The world rejects the Bible for the most part. They neither believe in it or read it, let alone study it. The Scripture is open to them and **they may respond correctly to them for it is not the will of God that any should perish, but that all come to repentance** (2 Peter 3:9). If a person rejects the Scripture, they condemn themselves for they are in fact already condemned and have rejected the offer of salvation. They are already condemned, because they are FALLEN CREATURES with dead spirits before God. This is what Jesus said about it:

**“He that believeth on him is not condemned:
but he that believeth not
is condemned already,
because he hath not believed in the name of the
only begotten Son of God.**

**And this is the condemnation,
that light is come into the world,
and men loved darkness rather than light,
because their deeds were evil.”**

John 3:18-19

It is a hard thing to grasp, but the world is **CONDEMNED ALREADY**, and has been SINCE THE **FALL OF MANKIND**, because mankind is dead to

God and therefore stands totally condemned. The blind lead the blind. They know not where they are going. They only find out at death and then it is too late! The whole story of the Bible is really a progressive revelation of how God **saves each individual from the condemnation he is already under.**

If you know the difference between right and wrong, good and evil, you are A FALLEN CREATURE, and **YOU NEED REDEMPTION.** It is that simple. Once Jesus had arrived on Earth IN THE FLESH, mankind had no excuse from that time onward, for Christ was the ultimate revelation **OF THE LIGHT OF DIVINE AGAPE LOVE.**

That is why He says that LIGHT IS COME INTO THE WORLD. Christ was that LIGHT OF DIVINE LOVE. If mankind refuses to COME TO THE LIGHT, they stand condemned before a Holy God. That is why Jesus said He came into the world TO SAVE IT. As stated before, mankind hates that message, for it is offensive to them. They also hate the exclusive commission of Christ, thus thinking “Who does He think He is?”.

John 15:22-25

“But all these things will they do unto you for my name's sake, because they know not him that sent me.

If I had not come and spoken unto them, they had not had sin: but now they have no cloke for their sin.

He that hateth me hateth my Father also.

If I had not done among them the works which none other man did, they had not had sin: but now have they both seen and hated both me and my Father.

But this cometh to pass, that the word might be fulfilled that is written in their law, They hated me without a cause.”

When Jesus came into the world, HE WAS THE DIVINE LIGHT OF AGAPE LOVE. This is the SPIRITUAL LOVE OF GOD. No person on Earth had it, because the spiritual side of things was “cut off” at the fall, when mankind died a spiritual death.

The love of God is both JUDGMENTAL and MERCIFUL. It is both tough love and meekness. He came to show that mankind does not love as God does, that mankind LOST that spiritual divine love at the fall, and it is not part of human nature, and so man cannot Divine Agape Love no matter how hard he tries.

Once a soul figures that one out, the burden of “trying” to please God falls away because that is not the issue. There is really only one way to please God, and that is to be OBEDIENT to Him, and that does not mean any “works” or “law keeping”!! It is something radically different!!

Man cannot change his nature, he is what he is. Hence all the “good works” in the world does nothing to CHANGE THE BASIC NATURE OF MAN. The only one that can change man’s nature is God Himself. This is the miracle of the rebirth, of Divine intervention to save a lost soul destined for eternal ruin and loss.

The ancient LAWS OF ISRAEL never changed the nature of mankind, they only provided a **COVERING** for that nature by the High Priest. But they also pointed to something that was coming, and that which was coming was a **BETTER COVENANT, A NEW COVENANT TO REPLACE THE OLD**, because the New Covenant would work a miracle WITHIN VIA REBIRTH, that would in fact change the very nature and spirit of man. So when Jesus came into the world, this whole system was about to change. However, TO CHANGE ONES NATURE **requires obedience** to the basic command of Christ to “ENTER IN” at the strait gate and walk the narrow way.

The problem with modern Christian theology is that it claims a REBIRTH that is not valid. It claims a change of nature that never took place, because it refuses to enter in as Christ commanded, and hence **NEVER COMES TO THE LIGHT**. Because of that, the Christian who refuses to enter in stands condemned. Had they done as Christ commanded, they would have found their HOLY OF HOLIES. They would have heard Christ knocking upon their spiritual portal door to gain entrance, and they would have opened the door and had a genuine REBIRTH.

Hence:

**BELIEF + OBEDIENCE TO THE
COMMANDS TO
“ENTER YE IN AT THE STRAIT GATE”,
AND WALK THE NARROW WAY =
COMING TO THE LIGHT TO HAVE THEIR
DEEDS REPROVED or JUDGED.**

If the believers respond PROPERLY, AND UNDERGO TRUE CONVERSIONS, they become believers. If they ARE **OBEDIENT to the commands of Christ**, they will LATER (after they have entered the strait gate and walked the narrow way), obtain REGENERATION, **which is life and salvation**. It might surprise everyone, but Jesus did not even PRAY FOR UNBELIEVERS!! HE DID NOT PRAY **FOR THE WORLD** AT ALL:

**“I pray for THEM (the apostles, and the real believers):
I pray NOT FOR THE WORLD,
BUT FOR THEM WHICH THOU HAST
GIVEN ME;
FOR THEY ARE THINE.”
(John 17:9)**

The importance of this prayer is found in WHO JESUS IS PRAYING FOR. It was NOT the Christ rejecting DEAD world. He is very specific, since He prays only **FOR HIS OWN**. ALL OTHERS ARE REJECTED; ALL OTHERS ARE ENEMIES AND THEREFORE CONDEMNED. You see, the world is CONDEMNED ALREADY because of the fall. **Remember the human race is considered DEAD TO GOD. Always keep that in mind.**

**“Neither pray I for these alone, but
FOR THEM ALSO WHICH SHALL
BELIEVE ON ME
THROUGH THEIR WORD;
THAT THEY
ALL MAY BE ONE; AS THOU, FATHER,
ART IN ME, AND I IN THEE,
THAT THEY ALSO**

MAY BE
ONE IN US:
THAT THE WORLD MAY BELIEVE THAT
THOU HAST SENT ME.”
(John 17:20-21)

Jesus extends His prayers here to include ALL believers that claim they are Christians. He is not excluding mere professors. He includes ALL THOSE WHO NAME THE NAME OF JESUS. Notice how He words it, and pay close attention to it. He first prays for all those that “believe on me”. It means all professors of Christ throughout the entire church age, which means all those who have put faith and trust in the name of Jesus as Messiah. Now comes something very important because concerning **of this whole group, He prays that these people may come into authentic union with Him, if they are obedient and do as He commanded.** He wants them all to become one! He wants them to come to something:

“And I have declared unto them thy name, and will declare it:
that the (AGAPE) love wherewith thou hast (AGAPE) loved me
MAY BE IN THEM, AND I IN THEM.”
(John 17:26)

Scripture proves that simply becoming a Christian, and claiming the name of Jesus does not mean that one has **DIVINE AGAPE** love within! The prayer of Jesus is that all believers **would come** into union with Him; that they **might come** to the **BESTOWMENT OF AGAPE LOVE** and thereby enter into true union. The prayer then has an ultimate goal: **the union with Christ of all professing Christians, via authentic regeneration.**

It will be proven that the vast majority of believers **NEVER** enter into TRUE UNION with Christ. They embrace a false theology that actually PREVENTS IT! This is proven by the vast majority of Christians being REJECTED.

CHAPTER FOUR

WHEAT & CHAFF

Matt 3:10-12

“And now also the axe is laid unto the root of the trees: therefore every tree which bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire.”

I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire:

Whose fan is in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.”

Jesus divides the world into TWO CAMPS, believers and unbelievers. He then makes another division that is far more important and we need to pay close attention to it: **Christian believers and followers who are OBEDIENT**, and who will come into **GENUINE UNION** with Christ and actually enter into the New

Covenant via authentic regeneration or rebirth. The second group is the Christian believers and followers that are **DISOBEDIENT**, who will not enter into GENUINE UNION with Christ, in spite of all their belief and profession of faith. They somehow miss the KEY TO HEAVEN.

**“Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord,
shall enter into the kingdom of heaven;
BUT HE THAT DOETH THE WILL OF MY
FATHER
which is in heaven.”
(Matthew 7:21)**

The word “will” is ‘thelema’ and it means a **determination, a purpose, a decree**. The word “doeth” is ‘poieo’ and it means to **perform or carry out, to do something**. Closely associated with it is the word ‘prasso’ which means to **perform repeatedly, to execute, to accomplish**. In short, it means to be **obedient to God, that is, to perform or execute, to carry out that which God demands**. What does GOD THE FATHER REQUIRE? We will examine it in detail later, but for now, His will is this:

**“And
this is the will of him that sent me,
that every one which seeth the Son, and
believeth on him,
may have everlasting life: and I will raise him
up at the last day.”
John 6:40**

There are TWO THINGS HERE that are of EXTREME IMPORTANCE:

1. That we “SEE” the Son
2. That we “BELIEVE” on Him.

That is the **WILL OF THE FATHER**. The word “see” is very interesting, and is verified in many other places as we shall explore later. It generally means to observe, behold, perceive or we could say TO LOOK UPON AND “KNOW”. Because Jesus Christ is now IN THE SPIRIT REALM, and because the inner heart of man is a fallen spirit, then the “seeing” will occur when we open the portal to God’s Spirit realm. IT cannot be done any other way, and that is why Jesus said the Kingdom of God comes without OUTSIDE OBSERVATION and is within the believer.

We are going to examine this BEHOLDING, or “SEEING” LATER, for it is of vital importance, and ties directly to the comments of Christ when He rejects the multitude of Christians. They NEVER “BEHELD” the Son; that is they never UNDERSTOOD **experientially** who He really was, because they refused to do as He commanded them. There was never a MEETING OF THE MINDS.

Once again, we find OBEDIENCE is the key. If you are obedient, you will do it. If you are disobedient, you will not do it. It is the will of the Father that we “behold or see” the Son, and the only way that can happen is **if we are obedient** to enter in and do as Christ commanded.

“Therefore whosoever **HEARETH** these sayings of mine, **AND DOETH THEM**, I will liken him unto a WISE MAN, which built his house upon a **ROCK**:

**And the rain descended, and the floods came,
and the winds blew, and beat upon that
house; and it FELL NOT: FOR IT WAS
FOUNDED UPON A ROCK.**

**And every one that heareth these sayings of
mine,
AND DOETH THEM NOT,
shall be likened unto a FOOLISH MAN, which
built his house upon the sand:**

**And the rain descended, and the floods came,
and the winds blew, and beat upon that house;
AND IT FELL:
AND GREAT WAS THE FALL OF IT.”
(Matthew 7:24-27)**

Either you are obedient or you perish. Either you do as you are told, or you perish. It is NOT OPTIONAL. It is a command from God. You cannot pick and choose that which you may comply with. Theological arguments that bypass obvious commands from God lead to certain ruin. Now in this modern day of grace and believe only, any form of “obedience” is an anathema to the modern Christian. It is often mocked and called “LORDSHIP SALVATION”. However, the Scripture is clear: EITHER OBEY or you are LOST FOREVER.

**“And being made perfect, he (Jesus) became
THE AUTHOR OF ETERNAL SALVATION
UNTO ALL THEM THAT
OBEY HIM.”**
(Hebrews 5:9)

Now the Christians of today will argue with great violence that we are “saved by GRACE through FAITH and not of works.” Nowhere in the entire New Testament is obedience to God EVER CONSIDERED A “WORK” OR “LAW KEEPING” or some form of “legalism”. It cannot be found ANYWHERE.

Do these people not understand a simple and profound thing? **Grace brought a strait gate and narrow way to a fallen human race that deserves neither.** Refuse to ENTER IN and a person can frustrate GRACE ITSELF, for we would not have a strait gate to enter, or a narrow way to walk were it not for the GRACE OF GOD. Remember that GRACE brought CHRIST, who brought a STRAIT GATE and a NARROW WAY, so to refuse it is to frustrate GRACE! One can also pervert grace into something it is not, that is, LICENSE TO SIN.

Jude 4

“For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ”.

Gal 2:21-3:1

“I do not frustrate the grace of God: for if righteousness come by the law, then Christ is dead in vain”.

Notice also that HUGE *CONDITIONAL* WORD ‘**OBEY**’ in Hebrews 5:9. The word “obey” here is ‘hupakouo’, which simply means to **CARRY OUT THE COMMANDS OF AUTHORITY, TO HEED, TO CONFORM**. As we are dealing with HOW TO ENTER THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN, WE MUST BE

OBEDIENT TO THE PARAMETERS GIVEN IN THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT! In other words, **salvation is conditional upon obedience!** If anyone refuses, for whatever foolish reason, they burn:

“In FLAMING FIRE taking vengeance on them

that KNOW NOT GOD,

AND THAT OBEY NOT THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST...”

(2 Thessalonians 1:8)

Once again we find this word “KNOW”. Jesus sent the many away because HE DID NOT “KNOW” THEM. These folks KNOW NOT GOD; that is they have never BEHELD HIM, they have never “SEEN” the Son. They have no idea as to what Divine Agape Love is, because they never went to the Spiritual Light of God to have their deeds reproved!! Notice that the word “KNOW” is tied or connected to OBEY. In this case not only is the whole world brought into judgment, but also the believers that did not obey. The fate of them all is the same.

These people are not just unbelievers; they are also believers who refused to comply with the commands of Christ. **The concept that grace now replaces the commands of obedience is a doctrine right out of hell itself**, a fabrication of the false prophets, which Christ, Paul, Peter and Jude warned us about. It is a perversion of grace. The commands to obedience are not new to the Lord’s Word (Exodus 19:5; Deut. 11:27,28; 13:4; 28:62;

30:20; 1 Sam. 12:15; 5:22; Job 36:11-12; Jer. 7:23; 11:4; 11:7; 12:17; Dan. 9:11). These are but a few examples.

The New Testament is filled with references by all the writers that **only those who obey the Lord will be saved**. If anyone refuses to enter the strait gate and walk the narrow way, because they think it is some form of ‘works’ or ‘legalism’ or “perversion of the gospel”, they will perish in their sins for they **neither know God, his Divine Love, Christ nor His judgment**. One can claim all they want that they do, but the truth is what determines their destiny, not their opinions! **DOES JESUS KNOW YOU?**

The word “obey” in the above Scripture is also ‘hupakouo’, which means **to heed the commands of one in authority, to hearken unto them, to perform as required**. What are we to obey? THE GOSPEL. What is the Gospel? The word “gospel” is ‘euaggelion’ and it means **MESSAGE, DECLARATION OF GOOD NEWS**. What is the message? **CHRIST HAS REDEEMED MANKIND**. How will Christ redeem? He says via the **NEW COVENANT**. How do we enter into the New Covenant? Christ told us how in the Sermon on the Mount! Who has Christ redeemed? Christ saves **those that keep his sayings and “do the will of the father” - those that obey the commands!!**

It surely says something about the human heart when people claim they love the Lord, but refuse almost everything He tells them to do!!

“ENTER YE IN AT THE STRAIT GATE...”

“NARROW IS THE WAY, WHICH LEADED UNTO LIFE...”

“STRIVE TO ENTER THE STRAIT GATE...”

Read the parameters; read the written declaration. Read every word, and then obey the sayings of Jesus and do the will of the Father. Obedience is the key to the entire Gospel and salvation itself, in spite of all the denials of the very deceived preachers, teachers and evangelists that will tell you otherwise. Believe THE BIBLE, believe the WORD OF GOD, and not the vain traditions of men! Modern Christianity has as many “traditions” and “commandments of men” as did ancient Israel. It is obvious that the multitudes REJECTED did not follow **the commandments of God** at all! You have been warned by God Himself!

**“Howbeit in vain do they worship me,
teaching for doctrines the commandments of
men.**

**For laying aside the commandment of God,
ye hold the tradition of men,
as the washing of pots and cups: and many
other such like things ye do.**

And he said unto them,
**Full well ye reject the
commandment of God,
that ye may keep your own
tradition.”**

Mark 7:7-9

The multitudes rejected of the Lord WORSHIPPED **THE LORD IN VAIN**. They went to Church, gave their

gifts and offerings, sang their hymns of praise and worshipped Jesus, but it was ALL IN VAIN. Why? Because they missed something, and they were told by their leaders, the preachers, teachers and evangelists that they were saved **when they were not**. They embraced a theology, but not Christ himself. They took some verses of Scripture, claimed they were saved BY THOSE VERSES, and totally rejected the warning of Christ NOT TO DO THAT:

**“Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me.
And ye will not come to me, that ye might have life.”
John 5:39-40**

The Scriptures are only a book, not the living Christ! They comprise paper and ink. They are **A TESTIMONY** of Christ, but they **are not Christ**. Jesus is very blunt: **“YOU MUST COME TO ME.”** Now there is a vast difference between the words BELIEVE and COME. The multitudes believed, but NEVER came to the LORD. The strait gate and narrow way are the only way anyone may come to Christ. Notice what Christ says here: “And ye will not COME TO ME...” Notice He does not use the words BELIEVE IN ME, or have FAITH IN ME, but rather He uses the word “COME”. We will discuss this later, but please notice the word COME.

Faith at its root essence is **OBEDIENCE OVER THE LONG HAUL**, or we could say a **faith that is tried in the fires of trial and testing**. Our faith will be tried to see if it is as the faith **of** Jesus Christ. Jesus exclaimed:

**“And WHY CALL YE ME, Lord, Lord,
AND DO NOT THE THINGS WHICH I
SAY?”
(Luke 6:46)**

The Bible is very blunt; it calls all those that refuse to obey the counsel of the Lord FOOLISH AND SIMPLE. It does not matter how many theological degrees you hang after your name, nor how many millions of followers you may claim. All of that is vanity; all of that is carnal. It is all of this world. What matters is **simple obedience**.

**“He that REJECTETH ME, and RECEIVETH NOT
MY WORDS (ALL SCRIPTURE),
hath one that judgeth him:
THE WORD THAT I HAVE SPOKEN
(SCRIPTURE),
the same shall judge him in the last day.”
(John 12:48)**

Jesus makes it clear that there are two types of BELIEVERS, those that hear the word and do it, and those that hear the Word and refuse to comply. We are back to obedience and disobedience. It then becomes clear that Jesus is CONTRASTING THE TWO TYPES OF BELIEVERS, FOLLOWERS AND DISCIPLES, in the Sermon on the Mount. The real authentic ones who do as commanded, and the false ones that do not!

**“ENTER YE IN (TO THE NARROW WAY)
at the STRAIT GATE:
for WIDE IS THE GATE, and BROAD
IS THE WAY,**

**THAT LEADETH TO DESTRUCTION, AND
MANY
there be which go in thereat:
BECAUSE
STRAIT IS THE GATE,
AND NARROW IS THE WAY,
which LEADETH UNTO LIFE,
and FEW there be that find it.”
(Matthew 7:13-14)**

It is a tragic error of modern Christian theology to attempt to claim that the wide gate and broad way are comprised of all the unbelievers, and that every Christian has entered the strait gate and walked the narrow way, or is walking it. According to Scripture, **the vast majority of Christians are on the broad way, because any theology that does not lead to authentic regeneration is a “broad way” theology. Remember there is only ONE true way!**

We will prove this out in this series. What Jesus is telling us is this: there are two types of believers, followers and disciples. The obedient ones enter the strait gate, take the narrow way, **meet Christ**, have divine agape love bestowed and enter into authentic regeneration and union. They are the WHEAT. The disobedient refuse the strait gate, refuse the narrow way, by claiming it is a “work”, a form of “legalism”, a perversion of grace, **BUT CLAIM THEY ARE CHRISTIANS**. They never meet Christ; they do not know or have **DIVINE AGAPE LOVE**, in spite of their claims to the contrary. They are never **REGENERATED**, and they are called bastard sons, and they are the tares. The wheat is taken into the barn, while the tares are burned in the fire.

Were the “many” rejected by Jesus Christ under GRACE? If so, why are they not saved? Are we not saved BY GRACE? Or are the fake preachers, teachers and evangelists PERVERTING GRACE, by saying that GRACE does away with any form of obedience? Why doesn’t Jesus merely “wink” at their sins, or why were they not taken care of by His ministry as HIGH PRIEST IN HEAVEN? Something went terribly wrong and we must find out why they are rejected.

Actually, the entire world is under GRACE. Therefore all of these LOST CHRISTIANS WERE under grace, but for some reason they **did not avail themselves of it**, because they refused to do what God and Christ commanded them to do! They frustrated the grace of God, they did not understand what grace was, and they perverted its real meaning. **You see, GRACE brought a STRAIT GATE and a NARROW WAY, and they refused it.** They rejected it and said GRACE WAS ALL THERE WAS!!

To prove that there is a broad way for Christians, let’s turn to John 10:1 and read it carefully:

**“Verily, verily, I say unto you,
he that ENTERETH NOT BY THE DOOR
INTO THE SHEEPFOLD, BUT CLIMBETH
UP
SOME OTHER WAY,
THE SAME IS A THIEF AND A ROBBER.”
(John 10:1)**

“BROAD IS THE WAY” = SOME OTHER WAY

Jesus says there are **TWO WAYS** into the sheepfold. The **SHEEPFOLD** is **THE BODY OF CHRIST**. You can come into the sheepfold (Body of Christ) by **THE TRUE DOOR** (1), or **CLIMB UP SOME OTHER WAY** (2). The important thing to notice is that Jesus **INCLUDES them both as entering the sheepfold**. All Christians are considered to be in the Body of Christ, or **part of HIS CHURCH**, no matter what their true status before Christ.

We can prove this by the seven letters that Christ wrote to the churches – where He divides up the believers into two major groups – the overcomers, and the non-overcomers. He also said that He would **VOMIT OUT** the fakes. In order to vomit them out of **HIS BODY**, they must be there in the first place. We also find this division when Christ refers to authentic Christians and “bastard” Christians. It will be shown later that **SOME OTHER WAY IS CONVERSION ONLY**, and via the “**DOOR**” **IS REGENERATION** because regeneration is **OF THE SPIRIT MAN**. Conversion is of the flesh man, the carnal man, and done via the will of man. In spite of modern theology, conversion **IS NOT** completed regeneration, and that is something **A VERY FEW** more astute professors of theology have pointed out, but the “many” are totally lacking in understanding because they are blinded by theology.

Let’s word it a different way. The **SOME OTHER WAY** Christians are all outer court Christians. These Christians went for the rituals of “religion” which is done in the outer court. That is of this world, of the flesh! Notice that the only true way in is via the ‘door’ or portal. Those that come in via **THE SALVATION PORTAL** did so by entering their **HOLY OF HOLIES** and opened the spiritual portal to let Christ in. In other words, those that

entered in at the STRAIT GATE, walked the NARROW WAY into their inner heart, opened the door to their SPIRIT THRONE ROOM AND LET CHRIST IN, are the REAL AUTHENTIC CHRISTIANS!

It becomes obvious then, does it not, that those that come in some other way, are lost Christians, but are still considered to be Christians.

**BROAD IS THE WAY = SOME OTHER WAY
BROAD WAY THEOLOGY = SOME OTHER WAY
BROAD WAY CHRISTIANS = NON-OVERCOMERS
BROAD WAY CHRISTIANS = BASTARD SONS
CONVERSION ONLY = SOME OTHER WAY
VS.**

REGENERATION = THE “DOOR” or the REAL WAY

Jesus says He is THE DOOR (John 10:8). He is a door to what? A door is an entry point to something, A PORTAL, a window into the spirit dimension. Jesus is that portal, and He has the keys to LIFE ITSELF. What are we commanded to do? To enter the new covenant and Jesus is the only mediator of that covenant.

We therefore must enter in through Jesus Christ. If Jesus is the DOOR, then **THE DOOR IS OUR ENTRY POINT INTO THE NEW COVENANT!** Where is Jesus in relation to the NARROW WAY? HE IS AT THE **END** OF THE NARROW WAY! NOT AT THE BEGINNING, NOT AT THE MIDDLE, BUT AT THE END! Scripture proves that ***the destination*** of the narrow way is ALSO JESUS. This is true because **LIFE** IS AT **THE END** OF THE NARROW WAY, for it “leadeth unto life”.

**“He that HATH THE SON
HATH LIFE;
AND HE THAT HATH NOT THE SON OF
GOD
HATH NOT LIFE.”
(1 John 5:12)**

If Jesus is the only one who has LIFE, and the NARROW WAY LEADETH UNTO LIFE, THEN IT SHOULD BE OBVIOUS TO YOU THAT JESUS IS **STANDING AND WAITING FOR US AT THE END OF THE NARROW WAY**. That is to say, He is standing at the portal of our inner hidden spirit heart waiting for us. Understanding this is important. It means we do not find the living Christ at the strait gate, or anywhere along the narrow way, but only at the end of the narrow way, for the end of our journey is when we come into our holy of holies (our inner spirit man). We can go no further than that. Once there, we must decide either to open the door and let Christ in, or keep it shut.

If you refuse the strait gate, and the narrow way that leads to THE DOOR, then you have come into the sheepfold **SOME OTHER WAY**. There is only one other way listed: **THE WIDE GATE AND BROAD WAY**. These people claim to be authentic Christians. They totally believe they are. They are sincere and dedicated. They are, by and large, very nice and dedicated people doing the works that Christ commanded, except one - entering in!! This is not some slight on their character, because they are in a tragic deception. They have come into the body of Christ in a way Christ REJECTS. He refers to them in Hebrews as “BASTARDS”. He refers to them in Revelation as NON-OVERCOMERS. He further said in the Old Testament that NO BASTARD

can enter into the congregation of the Lord. **This is a most serious business.**

Jesus said that MANY believers travel the broad way. The word “many” is ‘polus’ and it means **MUCH, largely, abundant, mostly, plenteous, majority or vast majority** in our modern day concepts. Notice that Jesus said the vast majority of His followers travel the **BROAD WAY** to **DESTRUCTION**. The word used for destruction is ‘apoleia’, and it means **ETERNAL RUIN OR LOSS**. The many make a very serious mistake in their theology and beliefs. They have no knowledge they are in a delusion, a deception until the end, when they come before the judgment.

This group of poor lost Christians is utterly stunned at being sent away. They cannot fathom the reason why. They believed, had faith, and did mighty and wonderful works. Why in the world would Christ send them to ruin with no recourse? The answer is of a **SPIRITUAL NATURE**. The works they did and the beliefs they had were all **OUTER COURT**. It never dawned upon them that deep within was a hidden evil and antichrist **SPIRIT MAN** sitting upon their own Holy of Holies. The command to enter in at the strait gate and walk the narrow way was rejected, and they never found out the awful truth of what lies within. The strait gate and narrow way are there to reveal the true nature of mankind, which really is evil, selfish, manipulative and full of trouble all the days of their lives.

It is this group, who comprise the many, who stand before Jesus **REJECTED**. They are under a delusion that tells them that they are saved and heaven bound. **They are positive of it.** They are **ABSOLUTELY POSITIVE OF IT.** This is what a delusion or deception is! It

convinces a person of something that is not true at all. In this case, the warnings of this deception for non-compliance to God's wishes are all over the Bible. It is just that people do not want to hear it, face it, or do something about it. Instead they bury their heads in the sand and pretend all is well. **IT IS A MOST RANK DELUSION THAT COSTS THEM HEAVEN ITSELF.**

'MANY there be which go in thereat'

'MANY will say to me in that day'

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SOME OTHER WAY into the sheepfold

Throughout the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus contrasts these two types of believers, and how they will respond to Him and His commands. There are **TWO GATES, TWO WAYS and TWO DESTINATIONS**. There are **TWO TYPES OF TREES, TWO TYPES OF FRUITS, AND TWO TYPES OF HOUSES**. There are two ways to enter the sheepfold, the door or some other way.

Could it be that **ALL CHRISTIANS** enter the **WIDE GATE** and begin their journey on the broad way? **That within this sheepfold of Christianity there are but a few who discover there is a strait gate and who enter in and travel the narrow way to find the LIVING CHRIST?** Could this be the answer to **THE 'MANY** who are called, but **FEW** are chosen'? Does Jesus Christ consider all who profess Him as followers, and disciples, but only **THE FEW** as 'disciples indeed' (John 8:31)?

The Sermon on the Mount was designed to show those who were followers **HOW TO APPROACH THE KING**. There is a proper protocol that must be observed, and if it is not, they **WILL** go into eternal ruin. Jesus told us the

correct way to lay down our petitions for mercy before the Lord of the Universe. He showed us how to enter in to the New Covenant of Agape love bestowment, which is the new heart. He did so because of GRACE. Do not ever think that GRACE takes the place of the STRAIT GATE AND NARROW WAY. It was grace that brought them!!

Would you walk into the President of the United State's Oval office without an appointment? Do you simply rush in without proper protocol being observed? If you attempt to 'enter in' in such a manner, you would be instantly stopped, and if you refused, you would be killed. THERE IS A RIGHT WAY, AND A WRONG WAY, TO APPROACH THE PRESIDENT. One way gets you in; the other way gets you killed. The nations of the world, and their presidents, are but dust in the hands of the Lord. They are counted as NOTHING, actually less than nothing! If this be true, then how much more should we observe the commands of Christ to approach GOD?

Jesus is telling us something important here (paraphrased): "Look, you are approaching the God of this Universe, the LORD GOD ALMIGHTY. These are the ground rules to approach my Father. These are the conditions for entering into the New Covenant. These parameters must be adhered to. If you will do it, YOU SHALL LIVE. If you refuse, YOU SHALL PERISH FOREVER. The ground rules are simple: ENTER IN AT THE STRAIT GATE, WALK THE NARROW WAY UNTO LIFE."

Is anyone listening to the Creator God? Are we so proud and arrogant that we will approach God only on our terms? Are we so haughty against the truth that we will

invent a multitude of religions to get around the ONLY pathway to God there is? The answer is YES! That is why the multitudes who reject Christ outright, or who reject His commands end up in a place they never even thought could exist. It does.

Religions of the world, even including modern Christianity are not well spoken of in the Bible. They prey upon mankind, extort money from mankind, and are simply control mechanisms that take people to eternal ruin. It does not matter what you believe, it only matters that you OBEY CHRIST, and if you will, you will find out that Jesus Christ is exactly who He claimed he was. He laid down this challenge to the human race, and it is surprising so few take Him up on it:

John 7:17

“If any man will do his (God’s) will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself.”

Indeed. Do you have ears to hear?

“Because I have called, and YE REFUSED; I have stretched out my hand, and NO MAN REGARDED;

**But ye have SET AT NOUGHT ALL MY COUNSEL,
AND WOULD NONE OF MY REPROOF:**

(The reproof of the Narrow Way and the Judgment of coming before the Light)

**I also will laugh at your CALAMITY; I will
mock when your FEAR COMETH; when your
fear cometh as desolation,
and your destruction cometh as a whirlwind;
when
distress and anguish cometh upon you.**

**THEN SHALL THEY CALL UPON ME,
BUT I WILL NOT ANSWER;
THEY SHALL SEEK ME EARLY,
BUT THEY SHALL NOT FIND ME:**

**FOR THAT THEY HATED KNOWLEDGE,
AND DID NOT CHOOSE THE FEAR OF
THE LORD.”
(Proverbs 1:24-29)**

**There are FOUR VERY IMPORTANT POINTS
HERE:**

- (1) They refused KNOWLEDGE,**
- (2) they refused HIS COUNSEL,**
- (3) they refused His REBUKE or REPROOF, and**
- (4) they refused the FEAR OF THE LORD.**

They perish and go into eternal ruin. The same thing happens to the ‘MANY’. There are several more proofs to prove that the Lord considers anyone who names the name of Christ as part of the “church” is found in the comment that they are “bastards”. They are “non-overcomers” and are “spewed” out of the mouth of Christ, or rejected.

Do you hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches?

CHAPTER FIVE

WHO ARE THE MANY?

We have now shown you the context of the Sermon on the Mount, and that the many who enter into the wide gate and remain on the broad way think they are in fact sincere BELIEVERS. We know that the word ‘many’ means **VAST MAJORITY**. We must therefore find out why the vast majority of Christians who lived during the entire church age are rejected by Christ. To accomplish this we must examine this and other Scripture carefully. When we do that, we will unlock the mystery of why it happened, and thus we ourselves can hope to avoid it.

**“MANY WILL SAY to me in that day, LORD,
LORD, HAVE WE NOT
PROPHESED IN THY NAME?
AND IN THY NAME HAVE CAST OUT
DEVILS?
AND IN THY NAME DONE MANY
WONDERFUL WORKS?”**
(Matthew 7:22)

We know the word ‘many’ means the VAST MAJORITY or GREAT NUMBER of CHRISTIANS. Could we prove they were SINCERE CHRISTIANS? Is sincerity the issue here, or is **deception** the issue? Can

we find out who these people really are? And is there any such thing as a SINCERE PERSON as far as God sees it? If our hearts are wicked, evil and self-centered, then is there any true sincerity in the things of God and spirit, and is that why God demands OBEDIENCE, as an **action** that PROVES A SOUL MEANS IT? Is this the TRIAL BY FIRE? Is this TRIAL OF YOUR FAITH A MEANS TO PROVE SOMETHING? Now most Christians reject what is called LORDSHIP SALVATION, but they stand in direct opposition to Christ Himself who asked a simple question: **“Why do you call me LORD, Lord, and not do what I say?”** How can anyone read that, claim they are a Christian, and then turn right around and deny it?

1. THEY CALL JESUS LORD. Only a believer, a disciple, a follower calls Jesus Christ Lord. Obviously they knew who Jesus was and knew His position of authority and power, for they used His name and His power upon earth to perform their works. The word for “Lord” is ‘kurios’ and it means **SUPREME AUTHORITY, SUPREME RULER.** This is further confirmed by the remark of Christ “Why do you call me LORD, LORD, and NOT DO WHAT I SAY?” These are obviously HIS PEOPLE, as CHRISTIANS.

2. THEY PROPHESED IN THE NAME OF JESUS. Only Christians take the name of Jesus; only Christians profess Christ and become **MESSENGERS FOR CHRIST. THEY ARE HIS AGENTS AND AMBASSADORS.** They are working under HIS AUTHORITY. Clearly they are **MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH, AND ACCEPTED MEMBERS BY THE BRETHREN.**

Christ does not argue with them about their works in HIS NAME. He does not refute it, which substantiates it. He does not answer them on that basis, for it is a TRUTH. This is why they argue with Christ, and are in **ABSOLUTE SHOCK AND DISBELIEF AT WHAT IS HAPPENING TO THEM.** They now present their side: **“DID WE NOT DO ALL OF THESE WORKS IN YOUR NAME UNDER YOUR AUTHORITY?** Were we not operating under your Lordship and power? Were we not your agents, your ambassadors? Everything we did, we did in your name! LORD, LORD HAVE MERCY!”

There is no question that all of these poor souls THOUGHT they were FULFILLING THE GREAT COMMISSION OF MATTHEW 28:19-20. The word “prophesied” is ‘propheteuo’; and it means **TO PREACH, TO TEACH, TO EVANGELIZE, TO GIVE REAL PROPHECY ALL UNDER THE ANOINTING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.** That word has roots that cover the broad spectrum of offices in the Church: some apostles, some pastors, some teachers, and some evangelists. We can then deduce something from this remark: **THEY THOUGHT THEY WERE OBEDIENT CHRISTIANS, DOING THE WORK OF CHRIST AS HE COMMANDED.** In a way they were, but in another way they were not. What they **DID NOT DO** was their undoing.

THEY WERE WRONG; DEAD WRONG.

Christ does not DENY THEIR WORK ANYWHERE. HE DOES NOT DENY THEY HAD THE HOLY SPIRIT. By the absence of such a denial, He implies that they did it all in His name, and by all implications under His authority and by the Holy Spirit.

Remember the Holy Spirit was sent to bring gifts of the Spirit, but also to convict of sin, righteousness and judgment. These poor lost Christians took the gifts, but refused the conviction! They thought that the gifts they were given to work their works of the Spirit were all there was to it, and that if they had the Holy Spirit, they **MUST** have been **BORN AGAIN**. We will prove that is not true at all.

Among these people **ARE CHRISTIAN LEADERS**. They took the Gospel to the four corners of the world, fulfilling the great commission. They thought they were obedient; they never once questioned it. Now they stand before their Lord and find themselves **UTTERLY CAST OUT**. **THEY STAND BEFORE CHRIST STUNNED TO THE VERY CORE OF THEIR BEING**. They only **NOW RECOGNIZE** they are lost souls, destined for the hell they preached against, and there is nothing they can do to make amends. Their fate is sealed forever and for all time. It is a tragedy of all tragedies. It could also have been avoided, had they just simply **BELIEVED THE SIMPLE AND PLAIN WORDS OF CHRIST**. It is clear they **BELIEVED IN CHRIST**, but did not **COME to Christ**. They did not come to the **LIGHT OF CHRIST TO HAVE THEIR DEEDS REPROVED**. There will be more on that later.

Christ did not deny their positions as leaders either. The very word they used **PROVES THEY WERE LEADERS**. Christ did not base His answer to them on that basis; they were in the sheepfold. They were in the body of Christ as evangelists, teachers, and preachers within the mainstream church, as well as laypeople.

3. THEY CAST OUT DEMONS IN THE NAME OF JESUS. This is a very important key to proving that these people were not just casual or nominal believers, but were on the front lines of the battle between God and Satan. The word “devils” is ‘daimonion’ and it means a **DEMONIC BEING, A SUPERNATURAL SPIRIT OF EVIL.**

**“And THESE SIGNS shall follow
THEM THAT BELIEVE;
IN MY NAME shall they CAST OUT
DEVILS;
they shall speak with NEW TONGUES;
They shall take up serpents;
and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not
hurt them;
they shall LAY HANDS ON THE SICK, and
they shall recover.”
(Mark 16:17-18)**

Jesus says that **THEY WHO BELIEVE** in Him shall be able to do all of these things in **HIS NAME**, if they are gifted by the Holy Spirit. That is exactly what the **MANY DYNAMIC CHRISTIANS SAID**. Obviously they **BELIEVED**. If we **BELIEVE**, are we not **SAVED**? Is that not what it says in a number of places? Yet these poor souls **ARE NOT SAVED AT ALL!**

They also must have known about Satan and demons, for they were involved in the casting out of demons. This being true, then they knew about heaven and hell. They must have known about the great battle between Christ and Satan. They must have preached the Gospel of salvation from hell and hellfire around the world! They knew about the Holy Spirit, for they had Holy Spirit power! They used it in the mighty name of Jesus!

Now consider a very serious question. If these people **KNEW ABOUT HEAVEN AND HELL, ABOUT CHRIST AND SATAN, ABOUT ETERNAL TORMENT AND SUFFERING, AND ABOUT DEMONS ANSWER THIS.**

**WOULD THEY KNOWINGLY
PICK HELL AS THEIR DESTINATION?**

If the answer is yes, **WHY WOULD THEY?** There is a not a soul on earth that would pick hell as their eternal destination; no one would, if they really believed there was such an awful place. Given all of their knowledge (they were well trained and astute teachers, preachers, evangelists), would they **DELIBERATELY MOCK CHRIST AND CHOOSE ETERNAL RUIN?** The question itself is absurd, **OF COURSE NOT!**

If they would not pick this destination by choice, then how did they end up there? The answer is simple: **DECEPTION ON A MASSIVE SCALE.** They were under rank deception, **FOR LACK OF SEARCHING FOR THE REAL TRUTH.** The only way one can go under such a deception as this is via **building a theology that is incorrect, and then embracing that theology as truth.** In short, it means refusing to comply with the commands of Jesus Christ and building a theology that gets around them! **It was their own theology that took them to hell.** Peter warned that Satan would infiltrate the Church and build a complete **NEW THEOLOGY** that looked 100% correct, but it would lead to the **VAST MAJORITY GOING INTO ETERNAL RUIN** (2 Peter 2:1-3). The theology that was built was designed to fool the flesh man, the carnal man. It would claim that **OUTER COURT ACTIVITY** was really **SPIRITUAL**

ACTIVITY, when it was not. We will examine that IN DEPTH later.

4. THEY DID MANY WONDERFUL WORKS. The word “wonderful” is ‘dunamis’ and it means **TO HAVE MIRACULOUS POWER, MIGHTY WORKS, MIRACLE WORKING ABILITY.** These folks were into healing, tongues, and a whole host of supernatural signs and wonders. **THEY THOUGHT THEY HAD IT ALL.** They did it all in the name of Jesus. Now from all of this we can deduce many things, and will prove it out totally by Scripture, which is the final judge in such matters. Think about each item listed, and you will see that the deductions that we can make are valid, and when cross referenced to other Scripture, prove to be totally true and accurate.

- A) Christ does not CONTRADICT THEM.**
- B) Christ does not say they did not BELIEVE.**
- C) Christ does not say they had no FAITH.**
- D) Christ does not deny it was done in His NAME.**
- E) Christ does not deny the WORKS DONE.**
- F) Christ does not deny they UPHELD HIS NAME.**
- G) Christ does not deny THAT THEY WERE FULFILLING THE GREAT COMMISSION.**
- H) Christ does not deny they were CHRISTIANS.**
- I) Christ does not deny they were ACTING AS PART OF THE BODY OF CHRIST.**

In point of fact, Christ does not even claim they spoke evil of His name. You will not find one word of denial in the answer of Christ. He does not deny it, **for their claims are totally true.** Christ is not going to deny TRUTH. But His answer is devastating in its simplicity and beauty. His answer proves they missed.....

THE ENTIRE POINT OF THE SCRIPTURE.

They missed the key central issue between man and God. Because they missed the key to salvation in Christ, their works were branded as INIQUITY. We will prove it to be true, but the essence of it is this. Christ brought a **NEW COMMANDMENT, A NEW LAW CALLED THE NEW COVENANT**. It is the covenant of **Divine Agape**. It is entered through genuine REBIRTH. If Divine Agape is the new law, and they are not BORN AGAIN, THEN THEY **CANNOT** OPERATE UNDER DIVINE AGAPE. They are therefore LAWLESS. It is a form of spiritual lawlessness that is at issue here, for the **new covenant is a spiritual covenant of Divine Love**, and Christ brought it. Remember what Christ said?

John 6:63

“It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life.”

Let's use an example to make it clear. The County you live in passes a new law. You do not comply with it, therefore, you are LAWLESS when it comes to that new law. Christ brought **THE NEW LAW OF DIVINE AGAPE**. The believers IN Jesus **NEVER WENT TO HIM** TO OBTAIN IT, THUS ONLY “BELIEVED” AND DID NOTHING MORE. However, Jesus was very specific about how one is to OBTAIN DIVINE AGAPE, and it is a serious business to ignore this new law.

The entire world, that is, the entire human race is now subject to this **new law or new commandment**. Even if they reject it all out of hand, and if they think Christ was

a lunatic, either the claims of Christ are totally true or they are totally false. The claims of the Bible are so astounding, so all inclusive and worded in such a way, that the human race was given no options here. They must either accept the statements of Christ as VALID, or reject them. Either choice one makes has permanent consequences.

John 15:22-25

**“If I had not come and spoken unto them, they had not had sin:
but now they have no cloke for their sin.”**

He that hateth me hateth my Father also.

If I had not done among them the works which none other man did, they had not had sin: but now have they both seen and hated both me and my Father.

But this cometh to pass, that the word might be fulfilled that is written in their law, They hated me without a cause.”

When Jesus Christ was getting ready to leave this world and go back to the Father, He left with us a NEW COMMANDMENT, A NEW LAW. It was something so radically different that few people even today GRASP THE ESSENCE OF IT. It was the law of DIVINE AGAPE. It was the LAW OF GOD, the law by which every single human soul will be JUDGED. God is A SPIRIT, and GOD IS DIVINE AGAPE.

John 13:34-35

“A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another.”

By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.”

Jesus Christ did not bring a NEW RELIGION with Him. He came to ABOLISH RELIGIONS, and came here to SHOW THE HUMAN RACE THEY HAVE A PROBLEM. That problem is a total and complete lack of true SPIRITUAL love, true compassion and true mercy, which was brought about by the fall of mankind long ago.

Religions do nothing, but WHITEWASH THEIR FOLLOWERS. They become CLEAN ON THE OUTSIDE, BUT ARE STILL HORRIBLY EVIL ON THE INSIDE. Jesus had this to say concerning this whitewashing:

Matt 23:27-28

“Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye are like unto whited sepulchres, which indeed appear beautiful outward, but are within full of dead men's bones, and of all uncleanness.”

Even so ye also outwardly appear righteous unto men, but within ye are full of hypocrisy and iniquity.”

Religions and their many rituals and laws have little to do concerning bringing the dead spirit of man back to life! Jesus came with a new message. His intent is to clean up the inside first, and start where the problem

really is, the inner heart, and the inner spirit of man. He came to resurrect a dead spirit, and bring new life to an otherwise dead person, and do it via a divine act that only God Himself can do. We will call it rebirth, regeneration, born again, born from above or quickening.

This message of Christ was so radical that even the astute teachers of ISRAEL could not comprehend it. Neither can most people of the world today. Every Christmas and every Easter, the mega news magazines usually ask “WHO WAS HE?” What is this “mystery of Christ”? If they would do as He commanded them, they would not have to ask. They WOULD KNOW, and they would know the truth behind the entire universe. They would KNOW THE MYSTERY.

Religions of today, sincerely held by good and decent people, appear to be mostly RITUAL. Somehow, in some strange way, rituals are “supposed to make us RIGHTEOUS”. Of course, during the process of making us righteous via this ritual or that ritual, we are plundered of our money, estates, and heaven itself. There are two forms of righteousness; one OF THIS WORLD, and one from God’s point of view. Jesus called us all EVIL. He stated that the human race was FALLEN, and in dire need of a REDEEMER. Jeremiah said our hearts are so wicked we cannot even KNOW IT. Paul said our natural minds are an ENEMY OF THE LORD. There is something wrong with our NATURE. People fight, war, rape, steal, lie, cheat and conspire. The human race, in spite of what one may WANT TO BELIEVE, is EVIL TO THE CORE.

If our nature truly is EVIL, if we are indeed FALLEN, and that is our basic nature, then how does religion or ritual CHANGE OUR NATURE? In point of fact, it

cannot and does not alter our make-up. Our genetic and DNA structure remains the same. Now we can change our BEHAVIOR, and we can become GOOD PEOPLE insofar as society is concerned. We can learn to stay out of trouble and jail or prison, but does that change our NATURE, that we were BORN WITH? Can a leopard change his spots?

All religion does is clean up our BEHAVIOR. You often will hear the remark “I got right with God.” But all of this cannot, and never will be able to, change our very nature or the essence of who we are. However, God can, and Christ claims He is the one who can do it for us. Either He is lying, or He is telling us the absolute truth. **Every person has to decide.**

Most people, if they were GUT HONEST with themselves, would say there is something MISSING. They would say something is not “quite right”, and there is “something more” than just this obligation to the rituals, laws of the various religions, and to society at large. In order not to look at this “missing element” most people avoid the question all together; that is until they are on their deathbed.

The Bible indicates that it may well be way too late to find out the real truth of OUR NATURE at that point in time. The Bible is very clear that the human race lives in DARKNESS, and is blind to their true state, and do not know or understand what awaits them. So then, rather than face this awful truth, we make up religions of all types, even secular philosophies to explain away all of our fears of the great “unknown”. Jesus said these concepts are fables, lies of the worst type and deceptions.

Because the human race is a FALLEN RACE, it came under the control of Satan, who is very real. Therefore, because they are in league WITH SATAN, they are children of DARKNESS, OF THE NIGHT, and classified by GOD AS “EVIL”. Thus, even if we don’t like it, we are part and parcel of Satan’s empire, and share the same fate HE DOES.

Jesus spent a lot of time speaking about HELL, and the awfulness of it. If there were NO SUCH PLACE, then there would be NO reason to REDEEM. There would be no need to RESCUE the human race at all, for there would be NOTHING TO RESCUE THEM FROM. Most people never think about that, but it is an absolute truth, because the entire Bible is about THE RESCUE MISSION. Rescue from what? A rescue from HELL ITSELF FOR ETERNITY, and total and complete separation from God! If there is no such place as eternal ruin, then Christ would be considered to be indeed and in fact a lunatic, because He spent a lot of time warning us about it.

OK, so the human race is fallen, and has no DIVINE AGAPE WITHIN, so end of story. We are GUILTY AS CHARGED. So once again, why would Jesus Christ leave us with a commandment we could not possibly fulfill? If we do not have DIVINE AGAPE LOVE, then we cannot possibly fulfill this NEW LAW. The Bible says the world is CONDEMNED, and Christ came to SAVE. The world is condemned for only ONE REASON; it does not have the light of Divine Agape and it is BLIND TO IT.

John 3:18-21

**“He that believeth on him is not condemned:
but he that believeth not is condemned already,**

because **he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.**

And this is **the condemnation**, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.

For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, **neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved.**

But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God.”

The word “light” is a codeword for DIVINE AGAPE. It is THE LIGHT OF GOD. Jesus says that the world is condemned already. Remember when He said we had no cloak for our sins? No covering? Why? Because He (God, our CREATOR) HAD COME DOWN HERE AND SPOKEN TO US. Because He came down here and spoke to us about our true nature, we have NO EXCUSE.

The human race was shown what DIVINE AGAPE IS, saw the many miracles, and saw prophecy fulfilled. We have no EXCUSE NOW; **WE KNOW**. We also all know, deep within our hearts, that LOVE IS THE ANSWER. It has always been the answer. We also KNOW THAT ALL OF US DO NOT LOVE AS WE OUGHT. No matter how hard we try, we fall short. We all know that we are going to be judged on that basis at the end of it all.

We simply do not have **THE LIGHT OF DIVINE AGAPE LOVE**, because the world of mankind is

FALLEN. WE LOST IT AT THE FALL, and mankind does not know or understand their TRUE condition. Mankind will not ACCEPT these statements as factual, but rather claim that Jesus Christ is some raving lunatic. But here it should be noted that Jesus Christ is the only “religious” leader in the entire world that said **HE WOULD PROVE IT TO ANYONE WHO WANTED TO KNOW**, and prove it via “divine revelation” that HIS GOSPEL WAS TRUE, AND IT CAME FROM GOD HIMSELF.

John 7:17

“If any man will do his (God’s) will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself.”

If Jesus says HE WILL PROVE IT TO US, and Jesus is now in HEAVEN, then the proof will come via DIVINE REVELATION. Indeed it does, and it will if you follow His commands. Then you will know, in the absolute sense of the word, that Jesus Christ is NOT a lunatic, but rather THE LORD OF LORDS, THE KING OF ALL KINGS, and is EXACTLY WHO HE SAID HE WAS. If you will NOT DO as He said, you will find out the HARD WAY that indeed and in fact He was the redeemer, and you will find yourself in a horrible predicament.

Now the world is condemned because it IS FALLEN and has no DIVINE AGAPE LOVE WITHIN. Jesus leaves us with a commandment we cannot possibly follow. By doing so, every human soul born on planet earth is under a double CONDEMNATION. They were condemned already because of the fall, but now they are condemned again for the LIGHT came into the world and they would

not come to it. But Jesus also gave us AN ESCAPE ROUTE. It is called the STRAIT GATE and the NARROW WAY. It leads to REBIRTH IN DIVINE AGAPE, and Christ then COVERS THAT INDIVIDUAL, and they escape this universal condemnation.

John 5:24-27

Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.

Notice the small conditional word “heareth”. Now if we must be born again to obtain this DIVINE AGAPE, so the NEW LAW OF DIVINE AGAPE CAN BE FULFILLED, then that means that ALL WHO ARE **NOT** BORN AGAIN IN DIVINE AGAPE cannot fulfill this NEW LAW. This means all of their works **ARE** **WORKS OF INIQUITY OR LAWLESSNESS.**

This is one of the reasons why ANTICHRIST is called the LAWLESS ONE, for ANTICHRIST brings a form of “LOVE” with him, but his love is a STRONG DELUSION, posing as “divine love” when it is not. Antichrist’s NEW AGE thinking is to simply unlock the “christ force” within. There is no genuine CHRIST FORCE within the human being; he is destitute of Divine Agape. It is simply not there, so what the New Age thinking does is unlock a deception, a delusion! We find a reference to this aspect of the antichrist and the STRONG DELUSION here:

Thess 2:8-12: “And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his

mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming: Even him, whose coming **is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders,** And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; **because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved.** And for this cause **God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie: That they all might be damned who believed not the truth,** but had pleasure in unrighteousness”.

The above verses, without doubt, contain one of the most terrible warnings in all of Scripture. But notice the key element of this strong delusion; they did not receive **the love of the truth!** Now Jesus Christ said HE WAS THE TRUTH. He also said that He and His Father were one. He also said that **GOD IS A SPIRIT OF DIVINE AGAPE.** Therefore what we are being told is simple and blunt. The people who go under the strong delusion of ANTICHRIST go under it because they never received **THE DIVINE AGAPE LOVE OF THE LORD.** In short, they were never born again, and never understood the radical difference between the many loves of man and the beautiful **DIVINE LOVE OF GOD.**

What saves us? **BEING REBORN IN DIVINE AGAPE,** since there is no other way INTO HEAVEN. Jesus said WE MUST be born again; there is no alternative, no other way around it. We can therefore deduce that because these people NEVER RECEIVED “DIVINE AGAPE” which is the actual LOVE **OF THE TRUTH,** they will and must go under the delusion of ANTICHRIST. Look it up for yourself. **You must have a LOVE FOR THE TRUTH in order to obtain the DIVINE AGAPE OF JESUS CHRIST WHO IS THE**

TRUTH. In short, we are being told that all who are NOT BORN AGAIN IN DIVINE AGAPE will go under this delusion.

Albert Barnes was a Christian scholar who wrote a commentary now called Barnes' Notes. What he says about these people helps us to understand in part what happened to these people:

“Many would plead that they had done miracles, and preached and prophesied much, and on the ground of THAT they would demand entrance into heaven. The power of working miracles **has no necessary connection to piety**. God may as well, if He chooses, give THE POWER of raising the dead to a wicked man, as the skill of healing to a wicked physician. A miracle is a display of his (God's) power through the medium of another. The act of healing the sick is also a display of his (God's) power through the agency of another. In neither of these cases is there any necessary connection to moral character. So also of preaching and prophesying. God may use the agency of a man of talents, though not pious, to carry forward his purposes...” Volume 9, page 79.

This goes far deeper than that. These men **KNEW OR SHOULD HAVE KNOWN THEY HAD TO BE BORN AGAIN**. This is a deception in theology. However, notice how Barnes contrasts **POWER WITH PIETY**. In this case he is using regenerative piety, or the piety that comes from being born again or the righteousness of God's type of piety. Power does not prove anything. **We dare not confuse power with inner essence of the soul or spirit**. Power is power, and you could heal someone and not have any genuine love in

your soul. It could be done for aggrandizement, pride, greed or to gain a position of power.

It is vital to realize that working power has nothing whatever to do with the state of the heart in the regenerative sense of the world. We can prove that because **Satan can and does duplicate many of the gifts of the Holy Spirit!** That is one of his methods of deception. Power is manifested by outward and visible signs and wonders, such as tongues, healings, slayings of the spirit, etc.

The occult has long known and recognized that Satan can and does heal, answer prayer, causes people to speak in tongues, and slayings in the spirit, can prophecy, etc. **Is the essence of Satan the similar to the Holy Spirit? No! They are direct opposites. Is the command of Scripture to ‘test the spirits’ there for a reason?** That is why the Scripture does not base salvation upon any of these things whatsoever for anyone. Believers could be deceived by the enemy. Salvation is based upon something that **Satan cannot duplicate.**

It might be argued that these people were into WORKS, OR A FORM OF LEGALISM. The implication of Scripture is that they were utterly **UNAWARE** that they were legalists. Scripture proves that you can think you are doing everything by faith and grace and still be under the law. This will be explored fully later. These people displayed all the power and might of the Pentecostal and Charismatic movements, and they fully believed in salvation by grace through faith.

The issue goes far beyond WORKS vs. FAITH AND GRACE. What we are dealing with here is a **DECEPTION IN THEOLOGY** so subtle and so clever

that they never realized their danger. The other argument presented is that they did not have Holy Spirit power, but instead had satanic power. This is even worse, for they were unable to tell the difference, if that is the case! They asked God for bread, and He gave them a **STONE?** **That is not the character of God or Christ.** It goes much deeper than any of this, and it rests upon one thing. **Their theology was in direct conflict with Jesus Christ, although it looked like it agreed totally!**

These people were sincere, dedicated Christian workers from a worldly point of view. They had been duped by a **CLEVER DECEPTION**. It is the purpose of this series to **UNMASK THAT DECEPTION**. Christ did not question their **FAITH, BELIEF OR SINCERITY**. That was not the issue. We can, however, prove the following to be true:

1. They underwent a **CONVERSION** to Christ.

These people were at one time **UNBELIEVERS**. They at one time or another heard the gospel and underwent a willful **conversion** to Christ. He does not deny that they were Christians. The word conversion means to change directions, to have a **mind change, to change your mind, to think differently, to turn around**. These people walked in the world, heard the gospel call and responded to it in a **positive way**. They turned from the ways of the world, and began to follow Christ.

2. They **BELIEVED** in the name of Jesus.

All of these people were believers. Without belief it is impossible to obtain the power of the Holy Spirit, for it is predicated upon belief and faith. **They had strong belief, enough to perform miracles** under His name.

3. They had **FAITH** in Jesus.

All of these people had faith in Christ. You do not undergo CONVERSION, become a follower, and/or rise to positions of leadership in the body of Christ without having FAITH. These people TRUSTED CHRIST. There is no indication that they were insincere or did not have faith and belief.

4. They believed they were **regenerated, born again Christians and had eternal life, or believed they did not have to be born again to obtain heaven (a much more common belief in some mainstream churches than you might imagine).**

If they knew about Satan and his demons, they also knew about Christ and the gospel message of salvation. They would have known that Jesus demanded REGENERATION for entrance to heaven. These people were leaders, teachers of the faith. There is no question or hint that they did not KNOW their scriptures. They were obviously convinced that their **theological doctrines** were correct. They believed totally that their interpretations of Scripture were correct and they were certain they were saved and going to heaven.

They stand before Christ in **UTTER SHOCK AND DISBELIEF** at what is going to happen. To their horror they find out they made a tragic miscalculation. Had they known ahead of time that they were not in **TRUE UNION** with Christ, they would have done something to correct it. They were in utter deception! They were totally blind to their true state. For this to happen they must have held a theology that **told them they were regenerated when in fact they were not**, or **THAT**

THEY DID NOT HAVE TO BE. That means a new definition of what “being born again” really means was brought into being and accepted hook, line and sinker **by the vast majority of Christians, in every denomination. It cost them eternity.**

Jesus flatly tells them they **WERE NOT** regenerated. We will explore the answer of Christ deeply, but the essence of His answer is that they were never **born again, never had come into union with Him.** Scripture proves that **authentic regeneration includes union with Jesus Christ.** It is on this basis alone that Christ rejects them. These people neglected the most important point of all Scripture, which is **TRUE UNION WITH THE LIVING CHRIST.**

5. They had all made **A DECISION FOR CHRIST.**

All of these people were Christians. Therefore in one manner or other they had made a decision for Christ and dedicated themselves to Him. Denominations may differ in their approach and ritual, but they all require in one form or another, a declaration for Christ. They would not have been accepted into the Church without it. Different denominations teach differently on how **ONE GETS SAVED**, but they all teach it one way or another. Therefore each and every one not only was accepted by their respective denominations, but many rose to positions of leadership and power within those denominations, and continued to propagate their respective church doctrines on salvation! **THEY WERE POSITIVE THEY WERE GOING TO HEAVEN, BUT ENDED UP IN ETERNAL RUIN!**

6. They had been **BAPTIZED.**

To be accepted into most churches, one must undergo the ritual of baptism. It matters not the form of baptism that denomination requires, the point is they **UNDERWENT BAPTISM**.

7. They had been **BAPTIZED WITH HOLY SPIRIT POWER**.

There is no question whatever that these people **WERE UNDER THE IMPRESSION AND POSITIVE THAT THEY HAD TRUE HOLY SPIRIT POWER**. The answer of Christ would indicate that their belief was totally correct. Remember that they did everything in the name of Jesus and under His authority. At no time could they have questioned that this power was **NOT** of God. The proof text points strongly that indeed they did have a **POWER BAPTISM OF THE SPIRIT, YET THEY ARE REJECTED BY JESUS CHRIST**. Why?

Many denominations reject the concept that the Holy Spirit works in this day and age, and therefore claim that this is a reference to early Christians. Nothing could be further from the truth. Scripture proves categorically that the Holy Spirit is working in the same manner as done at Pentecost.

9. They were considered by their church as being **AUTHENTIC CHRISTIANS**.

This is important; the Body of Christ accepted these leaders as real sincere Christians, whose message was **TRUTH**. They would have been rejected out of hand if this were not the case. These people upheld Jesus Christ, and they promoted Jesus Christ with power and conviction. They taught and preached Christ to the multitudes, as evangelists, preachers and teachers. They

had all the form, the gifts and the power of the disciples of Christ. Jesus even speaks of these people, who come IN HIS NAME, and who deceive many!

These people were under a powerful delusion. It cost them heaven; it cost them EVERYTHING THEY HAD. THEY WOULD NOW RESIDE IN HELLFIRE FOREVER. What could be more tragic than this? How can a person be deluded into being positive he is an authentic Christian, born again and spirit filled, a sincere and dedicated worker for Christ, only to be rejected out of hand? **If these “powerhouse” Christians are rejected, what happens to the nominal Christian? What fate does he/she face?**

Let's consolidate this and see where we stand with provable facts:

1. They underwent **CONVERSIONS**.
2. They **MUST HAVE** said the sinner's prayer or made an equivalent form of **dedication**.
3. They **BELIEVED** in Jesus.
4. They had **FAITH** in Jesus.
5. They **TRUSTED** in the name of Jesus.
6. They **THOUGHT** they gave their hearts to Jesus.
7. They were **POSITIVE THEY WERE SAVED**.
8. They were positive they were **REGENERATED**.
9. They were positive they were in **TRUE UNION** with Christ.
10. Most have undergone **BAPTISM**.
11. They had been **BAPTIZED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT OR THOUGHT THEY WERE**.
12. They were able to **WORK MIRACLES**.
13. They were able to **CAST OUT DEMONS**.
14. They were **ACCEPTED** by their church.

15. They were **LEADERS, evangelists, teachers and mighty preachers of the Word.**

16. They **THOUGHT** they were **obedient in fulfilling the GREAT COMMISSION.**

Astoundingly, Jesus never **HINTED THAT ANY OF THE ABOVE WAS NOT TRUE**. He did not say to them that they had no faith, no belief and no trust. His answer is not based upon **ANY** of the **ABOVE POINTS**. They are of no consequence to Christ because the issue between man and God had **not** been settled: **THE LIVING CHRIST WAS THE ONLY MEDIATOR OF THE NEW COVENANT, AND THESE PEOPLE NEVER ENTERED INTO IT. The issue between man and God is a LOVE ISSUE, and THIS ISSUE ALONE determines one's entrance into the Kingdom of God.**

**BORN AGAIN = AGAPE LOVE BESTOWED
ISSUE BETWEEN GOD AND MAN
SETTLED = NO CONDEMNATION**

Christ said there was only one way to enter the New Covenant, and that was via the STRAIT gate and NARROW way. Then we must conclude that these people never entered the strait gate, never walked the narrow way, but found 'some other way' into the sheepfold. As a result, they never met the living Christ, never found out what AGAPE love was and never entered into TRUE UNION. It was not that they did not BELIEVE IN HIM, but rather that they had NEVER COME TO HIM. We will prove that they never came to the light of Divine Agape, never had undergone any form

of judgment, never met Christ one on one, and that Scripture demands it.

THE ANSWER OF JESUS CHRIST

How Jesus answers these poor Christian souls gives us the real keys we need to know to unlock the mystery of what happened, and why their theology was incorrect. It will prove that there is a vast difference between flesh man and spirit man. The answer given is a chilling answer, and should cause every single soul to ponder within themselves, **IF INDEED THEY BE IN THE FAITH**. The answer will show us the NATURE OF THE DECEPTION.

It is possible to be a totally sincere and dedicated Christian and still be under a strong delusion. You can think you know Jesus Christ in a very personal and intimate way, to pray and draw close to this Jesus you think you know, and appropriate all the powers of the Holy Spirit by faith and baptism. You can lay your life on the line for missionary service, be a powerful evangelist, teacher or preacher and still **NEVER COME INTO UNION WITH JESUS CHRIST**. This is more tragic than your worst nightmare, for you will never wake up from it. **You will lose eternal life and there will be no hope of recovery for all time.**

**“And THEN
will I profess unto them,
I NEVER KNEW YOU:
DEPART FROM ME,
YE THAT WORK INIQUITY.”
(Matthew 7:23)**

We will inspect this answer very closely for the rest of this series. It shows us **WHAT HAPPENED**. We will first explore the following words:

1. **And THEN**
2. **I**
3. **NEVER**
4. **KNEW**
5. **YOU**
6. **INIQUITY**

With these words we will begin to unlock the mystery of what happened and why. We can only scratch the surface here, for our only point in this volume is to prove that **the vast majority of Christians can and will be sent to eternal ruin.**

1. And “**THEN**”

The key word here is **THEN**. It proves that union had never taken place at all during their earthly lives. Remember this is **after they have died** and they stand before the Lord in **JUDGMENT**. The word for “then” is ‘tote’ and it means **AT THAT TIME**. It means at the time of their judgment. He waits until the judgment itself to tell these souls that **UNION HAD NEVER TAKEN PLACE**. In other words, for some reason, He allows them to continue in their deception all of their earthly life, and it will be proven why He does this later. It has to do with **disobedience** to the primary and important commands of the Lord to **ENTER YE IN**.

2. The next word is the personal pronoun “**I**”. It is used by a living being with central awareness. It is used by the very much alive and resurrected Jesus Christ. He is referring to **HIMSELF, HIS CENTRAL ESSENCE**.

He is saying that **He Himself personally never “experientially” knew them personally.** He is referring to Himself as a living person only. That concept might be shocking because are not the persons of the Trinity ONE? Mainline denominational Christian theology preaches a TRINITY; that there are THREE PERSONS IN THE GODHEAD.

It might surprise you to know that EACH PERSON OF THE TRINITY has a very distinct role to play in the saving of individuals. For example, God the Father “drags” (draws) you to Christ. During that process, the Holy Spirit convicts you of sin, righteousness and judgment. When you finally arrive at the end of the narrow way, you meet Christ, who then shows you the New Covenant of Divine Agape and explains why you are DEAD in your trespasses and sins. Christ is THE LIGHT, and we are to “COME” to the light to find life! Remember it is Jesus Christ who died for you at Calvary, not God the Father, nor the Holy Spirit.

We will explore this fully, **but it is a truth**, and a truth ignored by modern Christian theology. Modern theology tells you if you HAVE THE HOLY SPIRIT YOU HAVE IT ALL. Out of one side of their mouth they teach a TRINITY, out of the other side they IGNORE IT. Do not ignore it on the issue of salvation, for if you do, you will end up one of the many who thought they knew Jesus, when in fact they DID NOT.

3. “NEVER”

The word never is very important. It comes from the Greek word “oudepote” and it means, **NOT EVEN AT ANY TIME, NOT EVER, NEVER AT ALL, AT NO TIME WHATSOEVER.** The root of the word is ‘oude’

and it means **NOT EVEN EVER, NEVER AT ALL.** This is vital, for it tells us what we need to know. **THERE WAS NEVER ANY TRUE UNION WITH THE LIVING JESUS CHRIST.** Christ is saying that at **no time in their lives, not ever was there a moment of SPIRITUAL UNION with Him.** It did happen, since the day they were born to the day they died!

The reason why is simple. They were born spiritually dead, lived their entire lives spiritually dead and died spiritually dead. Christ is a **LIVING SPIRIT**, and demands that we come to Him via the spiritual pathway of the strait gate and narrow way. They refused, and thus never met Christ **SPIRIT TO SPIRIT.**

He never made spiritual contact with them, and they never made spiritual contact with Him. There was never any 'meeting of the spiritual hearts'. It is important to understand the impact of what Jesus is saying. He did not say:

- a. I knew you once, but I have rejected you.**
- b. I knew you once, but you fell away and backslid.**
- c. I knew you once, but I am counting it as though I never knew you at all.**
- d. I knew you, but you later rejected me.**

Jesus said none of those things. He said only that **NEVER IN ALL OF THEIR LIVES** was there contact made with them. **They had never come to the light.** They had never stood before their Lord and had all of their deeds reprov'd. Union and regeneration never occurred. It is vital to understand that **regeneration never occurred.** They were not born again; they only **THOUGHT** they were born again.

How is this possible? How could a believer think he was in union with Christ, a most intimate union at that, and in fact no union was ever made? We had better dig until we find the answer. It will surprise anyone who has not walked this path.

The real question is this: Does Jesus Christ KNOW YOU? And how are we to know if HE KNOWS US? The Bible makes it very clear we CAN KNOW IF JESUS KNOWS US. **And it IS NOT something you take by an “act of faith” or by “just believing”**. That is a lie of modern Christian theology. It is much more PROFOUND than that, and it is **categorically denied by modern Christian theology, preachers, teachers and evangelists!** Not only is this issue DENIED, it is branded AS SATANIC, OF THE OCCULT. It is truly amazing how Satan has infiltrated the Church and destroyed the TRUTH OF AUTHENTIC SALVATION and he has brought in a whole new system that takes the believer to eternal ruin, just as prophecy said!

4. “KNEW”

The word “knew” is ‘ginosko’ and it means to come to know in the absolute sense, to understand totally, to know **EXPERIENTIALLY**. It is often used in a relationship sense between the person known and the person knowing. It is used to express **UNION IN AN EXPERIENTIAL SENSE**.

**“And then I will declare in a public
announcement to them**

**I NEVER CAME TO KNOW YOU
EXPERIENTIALLY...”**

(Wuest New Testament Translation)

The Random House Dictionary of the English Language gives the definition of experience as 1. A particular instance of **personally encountering or undergoing something**. 2. The process or fact of **personally observing, encountering or understanding something**. **THE SYNONYMS ARE ENCOUNTER, KNOW.**

Could it mean a real literal and experiential revelation and manifestation of Christ to the believer? **This is not only denied by modern Christianity, it would be branded as satanic! The answer of the Church is that the only REVELATION WE HAVE NOW IS SCRIPTURE ITSELF. But what if the Scripture itself informs us that we are to have a direct and experiential encounter with the living Christ?**

Could it be that is what Christ meant when He said to COME TO HIM? And what if it defines what this revelation is for us? What then? Do we throw those verses out? To brand what the Bible clearly says as SATANIC is a most dangerous thing to do, as the MANY REJECTED FOUND OUT.

5. “YOU”

This word is important in that it reveals that Christ feels there must be a real union between TWO LIVING ENTITIES. This union is considered by Christ to be essential for salvation, for without it you are rejected out of hand. **He is saying that “I” Jesus, never came into union with “you”.** Christ was never admitted into the spiritual heart of hearts. In Revelation Christ tells us very clearly that He is to enter into a very intimate and personal and fully experiential encounter with the

individual. He says, “I will come into him, and sup with him...” **All of this is totally denied by modern Christian theology.**

6. “INIQUITY”

The word “iniquity” is ‘anamia’, and it means **illegality or violation of law, transgression of law, or lawlessness**. He is NOT using this in the terms of human law, nor of God’s Old Testament laws and rituals. He could not be speaking of the Old Testament Law, for that was done away with when the New Covenant of Divine Agape came. The New Covenant is a legally binding contract between God and the human race. When Christ came from the Father, He brought the New Covenant to the entire human race.

Remember when God said it was an EVERLASTING COVENANT, **A COVENANT OF THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD?** He referred to it a number of times in the Old Testament, and even said he would show His covenant to those that feared Him and those that were His elect!! Ps 25:14 **“The secret of the LORD is with them that fear him; and he will shew them his covenant.”** Interesting that God Himself SHOWS THIS COVENANT TO THOSE THAT FEAR HIM, and that it is a **SECRET THING.**

Paul had this to say about the NEW COVENANT, and how it has replaced everything else:

Rom 13:8-10:

“Owe no man any thing, but to love (divine agape) one another: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law.”

For this, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Thou shalt not covet; and if there be any other commandment, it is briefly comprehended in this saying, namely, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

Love worketh no ill to his neighbour: therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.”

This is difficult for most people to grasp, because we are by nature “legalists”. Where there is no divine love, there has to be law. The New Covenant is a legal document, albeit **SPIRITUAL IN NATURE**, which God and those whom He seeks must abide by.

Divine LOVE is now the NEW LAW. If you have not been born again, you cannot fulfill this new law. The commands of Jesus Christ on the Mount establish the requirements of entering into this covenant for a new heart. If you refuse to comply with the requirements because of theology or any other reason, you are in violation of the covenant itself, and thus you are a transgressor of God’s law, and thus lawless, or a worker of iniquity!

The NEW LAW IS **DIVINE AGAPE LOVE**. If you do not have agape love, because you refuse to walk the narrow way, then you are in violation OF THE NEW LAW OF AGAPE LOVE, THE NEW COVENANT. This is true because you are claiming you have entered in legally, when in fact you have not. You are a thief and a robber, plundering the promises of God, taking what belongs to the rightful heirs and claiming them for yourself when you have no right whatever to do so.

This arrogant taking of the NEW COVENANT by “some other way” is referred to by Christ in one of His many parables, the parable of the wedding feast. It is most interesting indeed. We will cover all of this later in depth. For now, read what it says: Luke 14:7-11 “And he put forth a parable to those which were bidden, when he marked how they chose out the chief rooms; saying unto them, When thou art bidden of any man to a wedding, **sit not down in the highest room**; lest a more honorable man than thou be bidden of him; And he that bade thee and him come and say to thee, Give this man place; and thou begin with shame to take the lowest room. **But when thou art bidden, go and sit down in the lowest room; that when he that bade thee cometh, he may say unto thee, Friend, go up higher**; then shalt thou have worship in the presence of them that sit at meat with thee. For whosoever exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.”

The real meaning of this parable escapes the vast majority or the “many”. The wedding you are bidden to is **YOUR OWN WEDDING TO JESUS CHRIST**. This is a parable to the Church. He is saying that the “many” within the church go and take seats of honor within the Church. They are the famous TV and radio preachers, teachers and evangelists along with their followers. Included are the heads of the denominations, etc. They are those of **II Peter 2 Peter 2:1**.

These people rise up and take all the seats of honor within the Church. They are popular and powerful. But at the end, Jesus, who bade them to the wedding, goes to them and TELLS THEM TO GO TO THE LOWEST ROOM, which is, in this parable, the PIT OF RUIN. They are rejected out of hand. Then He gives us warning. When you are called to this wedding **GO TO THE PIT**

OF RUIN AND THERE SIT. When He that bade you, WHO IS JESUS CHRIST, **COMES TO YOU**, HE WILL SPEAK WITH YOU, AND TELL YOU TO “GRADUATE” TO A HIGHER PLACE OF SPIRITUALITY. We will cover this most unusual parable later on.

Here is the simple truth of it. THE ONES WHO GO AND TAKE THE SEATS OF HONOR ARE THE **“BASTARD” SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF FRAUDULENT CHRISTIANITY**. They are both the leaders and followers and make up the MANY. They presume honor and power and glory, but they are FAKES and IMPOSTERS. They have come into the sheepfold “SOME OTHER WAY”, and they have not the Divine Agape Love of Christ within them. They are therefore LAWLESS, WORKERS OF INIQUITY.

This makes a person lawless, which is why the Scripture brands such a one as a “bastard”. The word for bastard is ‘nothos’ in the Greek, and it means **A SPURIOUS OR ILLEGITIMATE SON**; and this in turn makes their works, no matter how sincere, works of ‘iniquity’. These people are still spiritually dead in their trespasses and sins because they have not been born again, but are still in the flesh, still of this world, and glory in this world’s honor and pomp.

**“But if ye be WITHOUT CHASTISEMENT,
WHEREOF ALL ARE PARTAKERS, THEN
ARE YE
BASTARDS, AND NOT SONS.”
(Hebrews 12:8)**

“A BASTARD SHALL NOT ENTER

**INTO THE CONGREGATION OF THE
LORD...”
(Deuteronomy 23:2)**

God does not change, and He so states THAT FACT in the Bible. Only His methods change, but His concepts and His laws never change. **A BASTARD WILL NEVER ENTER INTO HEAVEN.** HE IS EXCLUDED. **THE ‘MANY’ dynamic powerhouse Christians were in fact BASTARDS.** That is why Christ HAD TO SEND THEM AWAY. They were bastards because they were without the chastisement of the Lord. They had never entered into the STRAIT GATE, and **they never walked the chastisement road called the NARROW WAY.** Thus Jesus counts all of their works, no matter how sincere, as “iniquity”. **They were not done under the law. They were not done in Divine Agape Love, but instead in their own natural loves, posing as Divine Agape.**

An example of this would be for a person to put on a police uniform and go out and operate under the authority of the city they reside in. They have not entered into a contract with the local government. They have not been hired, sent to school and have no OFFICIAL BACKING. They are, in fact, an impostor, a transgressor of the law, a BASTARD POLICEMAN.

What Christ is saying to these people is that they are **NOT GENUINE.** They are not authentic Christians, but are imitators, imposters! The point we must remember is this: **THE VAST MAJORITY OF CHRISTIANS ARE NOT AWARE THAT THEY ARE IMPOSTORS.** They honestly and sincerely think they are IN UNION WITH CHRIST! They are positive they are under grace and faith, yet they are rank **legalists,**

working under the law, because they did not avail themselves of God's grace. They frustrated it instead.

Conclusions:

Because they were not regenerated, they did not have Divine Agape Love. Since they did not have Divine Agape Love, they were not sons of God. As a result, they were not sons of God, but they were bastard sons. Because they were bastard sons, they were not under grace, and therefore, they were under works. They did not realize it. It is a most tragic deception. They took the seats of honor within the church, and spoke evil of the real way of the truth.

CHAPTER SIX

PAUL'S WARNING TO CHRISTIANS

Now we will turn to the apostle Paul, who will help us to further understand this mystery as to why Christ rejected the vast majority of Christians. These verses of Scripture are quoted from by every church, but little do they know the real meaning that lies within this message, for it is a message of warning to the church. If heeded, salvation will RESULT; if rejected, eternal ruin is inevitable.

**“Though I speak WITH THE TONGUES OF
MEN AND OF ANGELS,**

**AND HAVE NOT CHARITY (AGAPE
LOVE),**

**I am become as a sounding brass, or a tinkling
cymbal.**

**And though I HAVE THE GIFT OF
PROPHECY, and UNDERSTAND ALL
MYSTERIES, AND ALL KNOWLEDGE;**

AND THOUGH I HAVE ALL FAITH,

**SO THAT I COULD REMOVE
MOUNTAINS,**

**and
HAVE NOT CHARITY (AGAPE LOVE),
I AM NOTHING.**

**And though I BESTOW ALL MY GOODS
TO FEED THE POOR, and though I
GIVE MY BODY TO BE BURNED,**

**AND HAVE NOT CHARITY (AGAPE
LOVE),**

IT PROFITETH ME NOTHING.”

(1 Corinthians 13:1-3)

The following gifts are mentioned by Paul:

- 1. The gift of tongues of all types.**
- 2. The gift of prophecy.**
- 3. The gift of knowledge.**
- 4. The gift of wisdom.**
- 5. The gift of faith that moves mountains.**

There is no question that Paul is referring to specific GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT. The gifts of the Spirit are **GIFTS OF POWER**. To obtain them, one must be baptized by a power baptism of the HOLY SPIRIT. In Acts, you will find that the baptism always gave the believer **great power**. Many Christians believe that baptism in the Holy Spirit PROVES ONE IS SAVED. A baptism of power does not prove anything except that they have a supernatural power.

Salvation is not based upon A POWER BAPTISM. Jesus Christ is the ONLY REDEEMER OF MAN, for He came IN THE FLESH, and DIED in the flesh!! Salvation is based upon **UNION WITH JESUS CHRIST**. **The**

union with Christ is a union with the Divine Agape Love Spirit of Christ. Scripture will prove that power is not Agape Love Spirit, and Agape Love Spirit is not power. They are two different items, given at different times. A converted Christian is given gifts of the Holy Spirit, but only a regenerated Christian is given DIVINE AGAPE.

This is difficult to get our minds wrapped around this, for most of us have been taught that the Holy Spirit is Christ (and that is true), and therefore if you have the Holy Spirit, you have Christ within. It is a half truth. The Holy Spirit was sent to first of all, to convict us of **sin, righteousness and judgment, to which we must respond.**

John 16:7-12

“Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.

And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:

Of sin, because they believe not on me;

Of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more;

Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged.

I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now.”

Secondly, the Holy Spirit draws us, but does not bestow the gift of Divine Agape. Thirdly, the Holy Spirit was sent to lead us to the truth, and Jesus Christ is THAT TRUTH. Therefore, if we examine the Scripture carefully, we find that the Holy Spirit is to convict us of eternal ruin (judgment), that is to say to show us our position before a Holy God, and that position is DEAD.

That is the judgment phase. It is part of the NARROW WAY, which is utterly rejected by modern Christian theology. It compares to DIE, or PICK UP THY CROSS. It has little to do with self-denial in that sense of the word, but has everything to do with UNMASKING THE TRUTH OF OUR STATE OF BEING BEFORE GOD.

In the Tabernacle, the INNER COURT was lit only by seven lamps, representing the Holy Spirit. There was no other light in there. Remember when John said that we have no need for any man to teach you, but that the Holy Spirit would GUIDE US? One cannot go through the sub-conscious mind (the inner court) without the guidance of the Holy Spirit. This walk into our own Holy of Holies is a walk to JUDGMENT.

1 John 2:27

“But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and

even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him.”

There will be more on this later in the series.

“But ye SHALL RECEIVE POWER, after that the HOLY GHOST IS COME UPON YOU: and ye shall be WITNESSES UNTO ME both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the UTTERMOST PART OF THE EARTH.”
(Acts 1:8)

Zechariah speaks to this issue directly, and as we look at what he says, we should ponder the correctness of present day theology reference to the baptism of the Holy Ghost IN POWER. Remember to keep in mind the difference between essence and power. **SPIRITUAL essence is the character behind the power.** Power of itself does not prove essence, which is why Satan can duplicate many of the gifts of power and bring many under deception. Let's take a look at the inner court lighting system:

“And said unto me, What seest thou? And I said, I have looked, and behold a CANDLESTICK ALL OF GOLD, WITH A BOWL UPON THE TOP OF IT, AND HIS SEVEN LAMPS THEREON, AND SEVEN PIPES TO THE SEVEN LAMPS, WHICH ARE UPON THE TOP THEREOF.”
(Zechariah 4:2)

The candlestick represents THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD. It is via THE SPIRIT that a soul becomes regenerated. God did not say, I will put my power into your heart, a new power will I give you. He said by my spirit, a new spirit will I give unto you:

“Then the angel that talked with me answered and said unto me, Knowest thou not what these be? And I said, No, my lord.

Then he answered and spake unto me, saying, this is the word of the Lord unto Zerubbabel, saying,

**NOT BY MIGHT,
NOR BY POWER,
BUT BY MY SPIRIT,**

**SAITH THE LORD OF HOSTS.”
(Zechariah 4:5-6)**

It is union with the **Spirit of Christ**, which is Divine Agape Love within that saves the believer. We will prove later that POWER BAPTISM has nothing whatever to do with UNION WITH CHRIST. Paul lists these GIFTS of the Spirit, **and yet says there is something more**. He calls it agape love (charity). One can even have faith to remove mountains and it means nothing. So much for the doctrine of FAITH IS EVERYTHING!

One can even give away all they own, and give their lives at the stake and be burned to death, BUT IT DOES NOT MEAN ANYTHING WHATSOEVER. This is a hard saying. Paul is saying none of these matter

whatever, **in the issue of what constitutes true salvation.** It is interesting that the 'many' who stood before Christ had **gifts of the Holy Spirit!** Did they not have faith that could move mountains? Did they not do wonderful works? Did they not cast out demons and heal the sick in the name of Jesus?

There is a **common element missing** in both of these warnings to Christians. For the many, Christ said: **"I never knew you"**. He also said people would **NOT COME TO THE LIGHT** to have their deeds reprov'd. Paul said, **"If I have not charity (agape love)"**. Christ is DIVINE agape love. The "many" did not have Christ; they did not have His agape love. The common element missing is **DEVINE AGAPE LOVE.**

The **common element present** is a **power baptism** of the Holy Spirit. **Power baptism does not settle the issue between man and God.** THE MANY did not settle the issue between themselves and the living God, **which is a spiritual love issue, a spirit issue, a new heart WITH THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST WITHIN IT, THAT IS TO SAY DIVINE AGAPE LOVE.** They are thus rejected and their religion; their works were in vain, since it did not profit them anything.

**BAPTISM OF POWER vs. THE SPIRIT OF
CHRIST WITHIN
POWER (SIGNS & WONDERS) vs. AGAPE LOVE
SPIRIT**

**“...Now if any man have not the SPIRIT OF
CHRIST,
HE IS NONE OF HIS.”
(Romans 8:9)**

The Spirit of Christ is wholly different than a power baptism. This will be proved later by much Scripture. Why did these vast numbers of Christians not lay hold of Divine Agape? They claimed they had the agape love of God within them. They were positive they were working in and under this AGAPE love. This is proven by the remarks of the MANY who stand before the Lord rejected.

Part of the reason they believed this was true is because they had received the baptism of POWER. They were under a deception, for power baptism does not save anyone. Their theology, while telling them they had DIVINE AGAPE LOVE, in reality **prevented** them from having it. They must have embraced a theology that circumvented the strait gate and narrow way, thus they never came to **life**, and never came to **true Divine Agape which is the essence of all Spiritual life.**

This issue of DIVINE AGAPE is where the multitude of Christians go astray. Scripture proves that unless works are done IN DIVINE AGAPE, that is of the SPIRIT, they are done in VAIN. That is what Paul is saying: **UNLESS I HAVE AGAPE LOVE (CHARITY), I profit NOTHING.** In other words, all his works were done in vain! If one is **deceived into thinking THEY HAVE DIVINE AGAPE LOVE WHEN THEY DO NOT**, then all of their religious works are of no effect. They are in fact lawless, and therefore they are workers of INIQUITY. Therefore:

“I NEVER KNEW YOU” = “IF I HAVE NOT CHARITY”

“I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that YE PRESENT YOUR BODIES

**A LIVING SACRIFICE,
HOLY, ACCEPTABLE UNTO GOD,
WHICH IS YOUR REASONABLE
SERVICE.”
(Romans 12:1)**

The COMMAND of the Lord is that we present ourselves as a LIVING SACRIFICE. God wants US AS A SACRIFICE. A sacrifice is something that is **KILLED** and then offered up on the altar of the Lord. It is this SACRIFICE that makes us HOLY AND ACCEPTABLE. Without it, we are NOT COUNTED HOLY, NOR ARE WE ACCEPTABLE.

The many were neither holy nor acceptable, and Christ sent them away. By deduction we conclude they did not in truth **offer themselves as a living sacrifice in spite of all of their works, which they counted as their sacrifice. This proves that the ‘works’ of a Christian are not the sacrifice that God is speaking of here. THE SACRIFICE THAT GOD WANTS IS THEIR REVELATION OF DEATH VIA THE NARROW WAY**, a very strange and very hidden “death” while they are still alive. They never died on the altar of God, and therefore all of their works were vanity. Why?

The command to offer oneself as a living sacrifice is connected to the STRAIT GATE AND NARROW WAY. In other words, by entering the strait gate, and walking the narrow way, a person is offering themselves to God as a LIVING SACRIFICE. One of the elements of the narrow way IS A LIVING DEATH. This is, in reality, a revelation of the believer’s true state before God; that is spiritually dead. Just after death lies **LIFE. Life is Divine Agape Love. Agape love is Holy, and is acceptable unto the Lord.**

One of the definitions of the word “leadeth” (found in the narrow way “leadeth”), means **TO BE PUT TO DEATH!** Scripture proves that one must die **A LIVING DEATH** to find life. It is a great mystery as to how God does this. That dying is the offering up of the believer's body as a living sacrifice. The key word is **sacrifice** or **dying**. It is all a big mystery, hidden away and only revealed to those who ENTER IN. Jesus referred to this mysterious death many, many times when He spoke of “pick up thy cross, follow me.”

Now the multitudes of Christians that stand before Him rejected could not have picked up their own crosses, because if they had they would not have been rejected. They counted the cross “foolishness”.

1 Cor 1:17-18

“For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the gospel: not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of none effect.

For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God.”

Many read this as the cross of Christ as being foolish. However, the many that stand before the Lord rejected also perish, and they counted their own cross as foolishness. They did not pick up their own cross and “die the death” that would have led them to true regeneration. They claimed Christ did it all for them; all they had to do was believe.

Scripture will be presented to prove beyond all doubt that DIVINE AGAPE LOVE is the issue between man

and God. It will prove that REGENERATION OR BEING BORN AGAIN involves true union with Christ and Divine Agape Love. Being a true Son of God involves the covering of Divine Agape Love.

The self **must have its own death revealed**, before Divine Agape Love is granted. It is nothing that we do; it is another one of those mysteries and miracles that God does for us as we **search Him out**. One cannot die a living death until and unless one **enters the strait gate and walks the narrow way, for it is God's method of revealing to that soul their true spiritual state before Him while they are still walking around very much alive**. Jesus gave us NO OTHER WAY.

The whole Bible is a book about Divine Agape Love, the very spiritual essence of Christ. Agape love is the **ONLY** issue between God and man, and until and unless this issue is settled you remain lost in trespasses and sins. It's simple really, although very profound: God has Divine Agape, that is HIS STANDARD OF LOVE, and all people upon planet Earth are going to be judged by HIS STANDARD. You lose, unless you have obtained it via the strait gate and narrow way, and then you are covered by the robes of Christ!!

This was such a radical message that even the crowds in Jesus day were stunned by it:

Mark 1:22

“And they were astonished at his doctrine: for he taught them as one that had authority, and not as the scribes.”

Mark 1:27

“And they were all amazed, insomuch that they questioned among themselves, saying, What

thing is this? what new doctrine is this? for with authority commandeth he even the unclean spirits, and they do obey him.”

Conclusions:

Divine Agape Love MUST BE THE ISSUE the vast majority of Christians refused to settle. That means a person can be converted and still not have this mysterious love. A person can be baptized in water and by the Holy Spirit and still not have Divine Agape. You can have faith enough to move mountains and still not have Divine Agape. You can have great belief, do mighty works of supernatural power and still not have Divine Agape. You can memorize the Bible backwards and forwards and still not have God's love. You can leave everything and follow Jesus and still not have it! You can die as a martyr and still not have this most mysterious LOVE TYPE. How is it possible that you can have FAITH, BELIEF, HOLY SPIRIT POWER AND STILL NOT HAVE DIVINE AGAPE LOVE?

Modern Christian theology would claim that is not possible! JESUS says it is not only possible, but that the vast majority of Christians are going to eternal ruin because they do not lay hold of this mysterious Divine Agape Love and cannot stand in the day of judgment, for they have no covering. Paul and the other New Testament writers agree and they wrote under the power of the Holy Spirit. Divine Agape love IS salvation! The strait gate and narrow way is the method you must employ to OBTAIN IT! You can either believe Christ and do what He commands, and

**find out the MYSTERY OF UNION WITH CHRIST,
or you can remain lost in your sins.**

CHAPTER SEVEN

FURTHER EVIDENCE OF CHRISTIANS REJECTED

There is a vast amount of Scripture dedicated to the fact that Christians can and will be sent away into eternal ruin and loss. In Revelation we find seven letters that Christ wrote to seven literal churches in Asia Minor at the time of John. These letters form the entire church age story as to types of believers, types of churches and specific church ages. Although many reject the concept, these letters are of extreme importance in the prophetic and doctrinal sense. This is easily proved by the names given the churches, and by tracing actual church history, as well as comparing the message with doctrines on salvation. The last day church is a totally lost Church, except for those that escape out of it with the narrow way search. It is called the Church of Laodicea, a lukewarm apostate church, **with a theology that damns them to eternal ruin.** It is the Church of the LOST, a visible worldly Church.

This church system is highly visible to the world, with vast social programs, works of social giving and all the trappings of what is considered modern Christianity. What is important here is that Jesus considers them **A CHURCH, PART OF HIS BODY.**

**“And unto the angel OF THE CHURCH of the
Laodiceans write; These things saith the
Amen, the faithful and TRUE WITNESS, the
beginning of the creation of God;**

**I KNOW THY WORKS, THAT THOU ART
NEITHER COLD NOR HOT: I would thou
wert COLD OR HOT.**

**So then BECAUSE thou art LUKEWARM,
and neither cold nor hot,
I WILL SPUE THEE OUT OF MY MOUTH.**

**Because thou sayest,
I AM RICH, AND INCREASED WITH
GOODS, AND HAVE
NEED OF NOTHING:**

**AND KNOWEST NOT
THAT THOU ART WRETCHED, AND
MISERABLE,
AND POOR, AND BLIND, AND NAKED...”
(Revelation 3:14-17)**

This Church of Jesus Christ **assumes** they have need of nothing whatever, either physical or spiritual. They obviously consider themselves saved and heaven bound. They think their works before the Lord are approved and that they are in good standing. YET JESUS SAYS TO THEM THAT THEY “**KNOWEST NOT**”. Thus we can rightfully conclude the following:

1. They have undergone CONVERSIONS to Jesus Christ.

2. They have ACCEPTED CHRIST insofar as they know.
3. They have said the sinner's prayer or made an EQUIVALENT DEDICATION of their lives to Christ.
4. They have been BAPTIZED in one form or another.
5. They are sure they are REGENERATED OR BORN AGAIN.
6. They are positive they are SAVED and going to heaven.
7. They are positive their FAITH AND BELIEF IN CHRIST IS A SAVING FAITH AND A SAVING BELIEF, and that their theologies are correct.
8. They are sure their works WILL BE ACCEPTED.
9. They are sure they have "RIGHT STANDING" before the Lord.
10. They are under a deception, THEY KNOWEST NOT.

Jesus is most blunt: **"I will spew thee out of my mouth."** Christ rejects them as utter poison. The word "spue" is 'emeo' in the Greek, which is where we get our word 'emetic', an agent used to make one vomit poison out of their system. These people are not going to enter Heaven; they are rejected. This is just as serious as the 'many' that stood before Christ rejected. Are they the same crowd? It does not sound like they are, because the

‘many’ in Matthew were front liners in the battle between Christ and Satan for the souls and spirits of men. However, they may well be included as they are all in HIS BODY.

These do not appear to be engaged in anything except a lukewarm NOMINAL CHRISTIAN FAITH EXERCISE. Are they **lukewarm apostates, and just PEW WARMERS?** They are not on the front lines, but they have the same delusion, and they are under rank deception. Jesus says to them:

“THOU KNOWEST NOT”.

This is deception. They are totally unaware of their true standing before Christ. They are totally unaware of the fact that they are going to hellfire, and not heaven. They are however, considered by Christ Himself as being **PART** of His body!

Notice that Christ does not say I might, or that I could or I should spew them out, but that HE IS GOING TO DO SO. Their fate is sealed; they were **short of a full biblical repentance**. This is important because they are **CONSIDERED BY CHRIST HIMSELF AS IN HIS BODY**. You cannot spew out that which you have not accepted. They are in the SHEEPFOLD. They came in “some other way”, which we will prove is **CONVERSION**. They are Christians, a part of the Body of Christ, and are obviously believers. The word “church” is ‘ekklesia’ and it means **a calling out, a religious congregation, a Christian community, assembly of believers, the called out ones**. One could hardly say these were not Christians! Jesus says they are, but they are under a rank deception, a delusion. Their

theology is faulty, their faith is defective and their belief system is in grave error.

How is it possible to bend your knee to Christ, be accepted into the Body of Christ by Christ Himself, and yet end up rejected? Again we will find only one reason: **they have not come into union with Him and they are not regenerated.** Their theology of what constituted regeneration was **NOT** what Christ presented. These people DO NOT have **Divine Agape Love**. They do not have union, and are lost in their trespasses and sins.

**“I counsel thee to buy OF ME GOLD TRIED
IN THE FIRE,
THAT THOU MAYEST BE RICH;
AND WHITE RAIMENT, that thou mayest be
CLOTHED, and that the shame of **THY
NAKEDNESS DO NOT APPEAR;****

**AND ANOINT THINE EYES WITH
EYESALVE,
THAT THOU MAYEST SEE.”**
(Revelation 3:18)

The list that Christ gave them is a list of the things that attend to the salvation of the soul! They are part of true union with Christ, or regeneration.

1. GOLD TRIED IN THE FIRE.

The gold here is REAL FAITH. Faith is the **OPERATIVE DYNAMIC** in salvation, the fuel used to bring one into the New Covenant. It is what propels the believer through the strait gate and down the narrow way. However, one can have faith to move mountains and still refuse the narrow way! There is a FAITH IN

FAITH, A FAITH THAT IS STATIC, A DEAD FAITH. Paul, in 1 Corinthians 13 was referring to a **faith in faith itself, which is idol worship. It is the faith of modern Christianity; a faith that takes the place of Christ himself, or a faith that they transform into Christ himself!!**

“...that the **TRIAL OF YOUR FAITH**, being more **PRECIOUS THAN OF GOLD THAT PERISHETH, THOUGH IT BE**

TRIED WITH FIRE,

might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the APPEARING OF JESUS CHRIST.”
(1 Peter 1:7)

2. **WHITE RAIMENT** – The white robes of righteousness are FOUND ONLY IN JESUS CHRIST, the robe of **DIVINE AGAPE LOVE**, bestowed upon every true believer at **regeneration**. This robe of agape love covers our sins forever. Without this robe you are naked, and the shame of your nakedness appears. That is why Christ demands that the believer buy it from Him, even though it is free:

“I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for he hath **CLOTHED ME WITH THE GARMENTS OF SALVATION,**
HE HATH COVERED ME WITH THE ROBE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS,
as a bridegroom decketh himself with ornaments, and as a bride adorneth herself with

**her jewels.”
(Isaiah 61:10)**

**“Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to
him: FOR THE MARRIAGE OF THE LAMB
IS
COME, AND HIS WIFE HATH MADE
HERSELF READY.**

**AND TO HER WAS GRANTED THAT SHE
SHOULD BE
ARRAYED IN FINE LINEN, CLEAN AND
WHITE:
FOR THE LINEN IS THE RIGHTEOUSNESS
OF SAINTS.”
(Revelation 19:7-8)**

The white robes are RIGHTEOUSNESS. The robe of righteousness is Divine Love. Righteousness is often a code word for agape love, for behind all righteousness is agape love. In other words, the essence or the foundation of all righteousness is **Divine Agape Love, the spiritual essence of Christ**. The white raiment represents the gift of regeneration and covering of the RIGHTEOUSNESS of Christ to the believer; it represents **AUTHENTIC UNION**. Without it one is naked and not covered by the AGAPE LOVE of Christ.

It is important to realize also that Revelation 19:7 says THE WIFE MADE HERSELF READY. It does not say that CHRIST MADE HIS WIFE READY, but that **SHE MADE HERSELF READY**. It was something the BRIDE DID HERSELF. This relates back to the commands of Christ **TO PICK UP THY CROSS, ENTER YE IN, AND WALK THE NARROW WAY.** It also has to do with a walk of HOLINESS. It is

something EACH CHRISTIAN **MUST DO BY THEMSELVES**, IT IS AN ACTIVE COMMAND.

Christ did not EVER say He would pick up OUR cross, OR enter the strait gate or walk the narrow way for us. IT IS A COMMAND THAT WE MUST DO. IT IS THE COMMAND THE ‘MANY’ REFUSED. They said that “Christ did it all for us, we need only believe.” It was a tragic theological blunder of immense proportions that takes them to eternal ruin and loss.

3. EYE SALVE – Spiritual eyesight, that ability to read and understand the Scriptures from the Divine Agape love viewpoint. It is revealed only to those who have come into union with Christ. They have a whole new perspective, for when Divine Agape is bestowed, the eyesight goes from blind to 20/20!

**“But the natural man receiveth NOT THE THINGS OF THE SPIRIT OF GOD: for they are foolishness unto him: NEITHER CAN HE KNOW THEM, because they are SPIRITUALLY DISCERNED. But he that IS SPIRITUAL JUDGETH ALL THINGS, Yet he himself is judged of no man.”
(1 Corinthians 2:14-15)**

True spiritual seeing is seeing through the eyes of DIVINE AGAPE LOVE. The multitudes, or the “many” who were rejected, THOUGHT THEY WERE SPIRITUAL; instead they were blind leaders leading the blind and they all fell into the pit. They did not have the eye salve of agape love that would allow them to see

spiritual truths. Remember they are under a deception; they only THINK they are spiritual. This can only happen if they embrace a false theology, and if they have redefined what faith, grace, repentance, conversion, regeneration, works and legalism mean. If they could redefine them, and get people to buy into those definitions, they could lead the vast majority of people into eternal ruin.

THAT IS EXACTLY WHAT SATAN HAS DONE.

These people are **NOT SAVED AT ALL**. Their eternal destiny is ruin. They are going to be rejected out of hand by Christ as a vile poison. To make sure there is no mistake in their lost condition, Christ says:

**“Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any
man
HEAR MY VOICE, and
OPEN THE DOOR,
I WILL COME IN TO HIM,
AND WILL SUP WITH HIM,
AND HE WITH ME.**

**TO HIM THAT OVERCOMETH
WILL I GRANT TO SIT WITH ME IN MY
THRONE,
EVEN AS I ALSO OVERCAME,
AND AM SET DOWN WITH MY FATHER
IN HIS THRONE.”
(Revelation 3:20-21)**

Please understand that Jesus ties together the New Heart covenant with OVERCOMING just as John does. The last day church is an **unsaved, hell bound church with millions of followers**. These people are sincere, nice

people, dedicated in their work for the Lord, but they will never see heaven. **THEY ARE UNDER A DELUSION, A DECEPTION.**

REAL AND FALSE BELIEVERS

Hidden deep within the letters that Christ wrote to the churches is the total verification we need to prove that there are a multitude of sincere Christians going to eternal ruin. They possess a head faith, an intellectual faith, a sense faith, a flesh and carnal faith that is posing as **REAL BIBLICAL FAITH**. They sincerely believe they are saved, and take serious affront at someone suggesting to them it is not so. If someone embraces false salvation as true salvation,

THEY WILL AUTOMATICALLY REJECT WHAT CONSTITUTES TRUE SALVATION.

Every letter that Christ wrote to the churches has a key phrase that we must look at very carefully. In every Church, which means **CALLED OUT ONES**, we find Christ subdividing the believers into two groups: **overcomers and non-overcomers.**

Remember “many are called”? Those called **MAKE UP THE CHURCH**. “Few are chosen”, make up the **OVERCOMERS**. We know from previous study that the many perish; that means **ONLY THE FEW ARE OVERCOMERS**. It is vital that Christ warns each Church that they must **OVERCOME SOMETHING** in order to obtain salvation.

1. Ephesus – **TO HIM THAT OVERCOMETH** (Rev. 2:7):

**“...To him that OVERCOMETH
will I give to eat of the TREE OF LIFE,
which is in the midst of the paradise of GOD.”**

*The promise of ETERNAL LIFE is only made to the
overcomer.. That is the AUTOMATIC GIFT OF
AUTHENTIC REGENERATION (John 10:28).*

2. Smyrna – **TO HIM THAT OVERCOMETH** (Rev.
2:11):

**“...he that OVERCOMETH shall NOT BE
HURT OF THE SECOND DEATH.”**

**“He that OVERCOMETH shall INHERIT
ALL THINGS; and I will be his God, and he
shall be my son.”
(Revelation 21:7)**

When one becomes an **OVERCOMER** one escapes the
condemnation of the **SECOND DEATH**. The second
death is the final separation from God for all time. If one
is **NOT** an overcomer, then they **FACE THE SECOND
DEATH**.

3. Pergamos – **TO HIM THAT OVERCOMETH** (Rev.
2:17)

**“...to him that OVERCOMETH
will I give to eat of the HIDDEN MANNA,
and will give him a white stone, and in the
stone
a new name written, which no man knoweth
saving he that receiveth it.”**

A white stone is only granted to the OVERCOMER. This white stone is the stone of acquittal, given to those who have been found **NOT GUILTY**. There is a hidden manna also given. The manna and the stone go hand in hand. Manna is a code word for DIVINE AGAPE LOVE, the hidden mystery of God, revealed only to those who have entered the strait gate and walked the narrow way to find life!

4. Thyatira – **TO HIM THAT OVERCOMETH** (Rev. 2:26-28):

**“And he that OVERCOMETH, and keepeth
my works unto the end,
to him will I give power over the nations: And
he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as
the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to
shivers: even as I received of my Father.**

**And I will GIVE HIM THE MORNING
STAR.”**

These are the automatic gifts of salvation, for the overcomer sits on the throne with Christ! The morning star is Christ Himself, coming into that person’s heart of hearts, ascending to the throne room of the great “I AM” of each true believer (John 17:21, 26; Revelation 20:4).

5. Sardis – **TO HIM THAT OVERCOMETH** (Rev. 3:5)

**“He that OVERCOMETH, the same shall be
clothed in
WHITE RAIMENT; and I WILL NOT blot his
name out of the book of life, but I**

will confess his name before my Father, and before His angels.”

We have already discovered that the gift of white raiment is the gift of agape love, or Christ within, WHO IS AGAPE LOVE. If one has walked the narrow way to find life, which is in Christ, then they have been granted eternal life, and cannot be and will not be blotted out of the book of life! The reason this is so is because the issue between that person and God is forever settled in the heavens. To try that same person again for the same crime would be double jeopardy! We will deal with the issue of ETERNAL SECURITY later, but IF one has truly passed from DEATH unto LIFE, he cannot come into CONDEMNATION, he/she is FOREVER SECURE in the hands of the Lord. Jesus Himself said so as an absolute, and verified it in many other places.

6. Philadelphia – **TO HIM THAT OVERCOMETH**
(Rev. 3:12)

**“Him that OVERCOMETH will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, which is NEW JERUSALEM, which cometh down out of heaven from my God:
God:
and I will write upon him MY NEW NAME.”**

Again we find all of the gifts God has made to His true sons. His eternal home is New Jerusalem, and he shall be an eternal pillar in the temple of the Lord.

7. Laodicea – **TO HIM THAT OVERCOMETH** (Rev. 3:21)

“To him that OVERCOMETH will I grant to sit with me on my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne.”

This is one of the gifts of authentic regeneration. The overcomer sits with Christ in the heavenly places because of the gift of agape love. It is the essence of agape love that is the mystery of God. Scripture proves it to be so:

**“AND HATH RAISED US UP TOGETHER,
AND MADE US SIT TOGETHER IN
HEAVENLY PLACES
IN CHRIST JESUS.”**
(Ephesians 2:6)

It becomes evident that within the Body of Christ there are the **many** and the **few**. The many are mere professors of Christ. The few are the actual possessors of NEW LIFE, and they alone are called OVERCOMERS. All of the promises are directed to the OVERCOMERS. Thus we must and can deduce that the “many” standing before Jesus Christ rejected **ARE NOT OVERCOMERS**. This must be true, because Christ Himself said ALL OVERCOMERS WILL ENTER HEAVEN. The “many” do not enter heaven at all, therefore **THE ONE THING THEY DID NOT DO WAS TO ‘OVERCOME’**.

Can we prove that the use of the word ‘overcome’ is in fact a direct term used for regeneration or rebirth or being “born again”? If we could, then we could prove the comments of Christ, that He NEVER KNEW THEM RELATE TO REBIRTH! Paul’s comment that “if you have not charity” and being an “overcomer” all relate to one thing: **regeneration**.

**“...verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man
BE BORN AGAIN, HE CANNOT SEE THE
KINGDOM OF GOD.”**

(John 3:3)

**“FOR WHATSOEVER
IS BORN OF GOD OVERCOMETH THE
WORLD.”**

(1 John 5:4)

What could be more blunt? What could be more plain?
What could be more obvious? **WHOSOEVER IS
BORN OF GOD IS AN OVERCOMER.** Whosoever is
born of God has been REGENERATED. Whosoever is
born of God has entered the STRAIT GATE and walked
the NARROW WAY and found **LIFE.** This life is in
Christ, and if one has the Son, they have LIFE (1 John
5:11-12). The very words regeneration or born again
mean the **GIFT OF NEW LIFE.**

Please remember that everyone born on planet EARTH
IS A SPIRITUALLY DEAD PERSON TO GOD. You
don't find that out experientially until you walk the
narrow way and find out just how dead you really are.
When you discover your actual state of death, which is in
reality, total separation from God, then God can begin to
deal with you.

You pass from DEATH to LIFE, never LIFE TO LIFE.
Our life here on Earth is not considered to be LIFE TO
GOD. Therefore the judgment phase of the narrow way
is to bring you to a point where you not only know you
are dead, but going to eternal ruin. This is not a thought
process; it is much deeper than a mental concept. It
comes direct from the depths of the SPIRIT.

The multitudes sent away by Christ never knew at all their true state before God, because they refused to comply with the demands to “enter in”. They never picked up their own cross as commanded.

The next question we have is this: Can we connect DIVINE AGAPE LOVE directly to regeneration? The answer is yes!

“Beloved, let us (agape) love one another: for (agape) love IS OF GOD; AND

EVERY ONE THAT (AGAPE) LOVETH
IS BORN OF GOD,
AND KNOWETH GOD.”
(1 John 4:7)

“He that (AGAPE) LOVETH NOT,
KNOWETH NOT GOD;
FOR GOD IS (AGAPE) LOVE.”
(1 John 4:8)

“Behold, what manner of (AGAPE) LOVE the
Father hath bestowed upon us,
that we should be called the SONS OF
GOD...”
(1 John 3:1)

Being born of God is coming to an **EXPERIENTIAL** knowledge of the hidden mystery of God, a mystery so well hidden that only **A FEW** will ever find it. It is not that the many could not find it, but that they build a theology that claims they **have** found it. In short they would not do what Christ commanded of them; instead they refused. Thus it is not that they **COULD NOT**, but rather that they **WOULD NOT**. They appropriated a love

they do not have! They were under a delusion! They redefined totally what regeneration actually means.

In summary then, we have the following for the OVERCOMERS:

1. THE OVERCOMER EATS FROM THE TREE OF LIFE, AND LIFE IS AT THE END OF THE NARROW WAY.

2. THE OVERCOMER WILL NOT TASTE OF THE SECOND DEATH, AND IS EXEMPT FROM CONDEMNATION.

3. THE OVERCOMER ONLY WILL EAT OF THE HIDDEN MANNA OF AGAPE LOVE.

4. THE OVERCOMER ONLY IS GRANTED THE WHITE STONE OF ACQUITTAL.

5. THE OVERCOMER ONLY IS GRANTED A NEW NAME (AUTHORITY) BECAUSE OF AGAPE LOVE BESTOWMENT.

6. THE OVERCOMER ONLY IS GIVEN THE MORNING STAR, WHICH IS CHRIST WITHIN.

7. THE OVERCOMERS ONLY WILL RULE THE NATIONS WITH CHRIST.

8. THE OVERCOMER ONLY IS GRANTED THE WHITE ROBE OF AGAPE LOVE COVERING.

9. THE OVERCOMER ONLY WILL NOT HAVE HIS NAME BLOTTED OUT OF THE BOOK OF LIFE.

10. THE OVERCOMER ONLY IS GRANTED ENTRANCE TO NEW JERUSALEM.

11. THE OVERCOMER ONLY IS GRANTED THE RIGHT TO SIT IN THE THRONE OF CHRIST.

12. THE OVERCOMER ONLY INHERITS ALL THINGS.

It then becomes apparent that **ONLY THE OVERCOMERS HAVE FOUND THE SECRET OF LIFE, AND THEY HAVE WALKED THE NARROW WAY TO FIND IT.** Thus we find that the church is indeed divided into the truly saved and those that are not. Only the truly born again believers are the OVERCOMERS. All others have not “overcome”.

CHAPTER EIGHT

WORSHIP THAT IS IN VAIN

Is it possible to worship the Lord Jesus Christ and have it all be in vain and for it to be of total non-effect?

**“THIS PEOPLE DRAWETH NIGH UNTO
ME WITH THEIR MOUTH, AND
HONURETH ME WITH THEIR LIPS;
BUT THEIR HEART IS FAR FROM ME.**

**BUT IN VAIN THEY DO WORSHIP ME,
TEACHING FOR DOCTRINES THE
COMMANDMENTS OF MEN.”**

(Matthew 15:8-9)

The word “vain” is ‘maten’ and it means **UNSUCCESSFUL SEARCH, FOLLY, AND OF NO PURPOSE WHATSOEVER**. Thus the many stand before Christ and their faith, belief, and mighty works of Holy Ghost power were totally IN VAIN. **IT PROFITS THEM NOTHING!** There is a key here we need to look at. The word “worship” is ‘sebomai’ and it means **to revere, to adore, to be devout, to be religious**. We must understand what Jesus is saying here: One can be a devout, sincere and religious soul, thinking they are wholly dedicated to the Lord, and still have his/her

worship be OF NO USE. HUMAN SINCERITY is NOT the issue here. This is because the human heart is wicked beyond imagination (Jeremiah 17:9). The natural human heart is hostile to God (Romans 8:7). Therefore a person's sincerity towards God is a deception itself. People of other religions are sincere, and they are sincerely wrong, according to the statements of Jesus Christ! They would have known that fact had they done as Christ commanded. The issue here is not sincerity of the human heart to any specific world religion, but is instead **deception within their own hearts that they are not aware of.**

They are not aware of it, because one must **enter the strait gate and walk the narrow way to be made aware of their true nature.** That is what the strait gate and narrow way accomplish. That journey makes one **AWARE** and also **brings them into agreement with God from their inner SPIRIT heart.** The narrow way is a revelation of the fact that we are **SPIRITUALLY DEAD TO THE LIVING GOD.**

No one wants to hear that message. Mankind hates that message with a passion and violence. When Jesus challenged mankind to seek out the truth, that if they would He would prove the truth to them, they refused. So whose fault is it if multitudes end up in eternal hellfire? Is it God's? Or is mankind?

The many Christians worshipped Jesus Christ. They were devout and sincere Christians from their outer heart, their conscious heart. Yet they were rejected, because the root of the human problem is the inner spirit heart, the secret heart, the **unknown heart that resides deep within.** It is this heart or the hidden man, that must be changed.

The 'many' were never aware they even had an inner evil heart. They were not aware of it, because they refused to walk the narrow way **to be made aware**. This verse of Scripture only verifies the warnings of Christ: **beware, lest you be in a deception**.

The inner human spiritual heart is wicked beyond imagination according to Scripture, and thus in spite of what we may think, we cannot know the depravity of it. That is what Christ outlines for us, what we must do to be saved. **The process of the strait gate and narrow way is a process of unmasking the inner heart's death and depravity. We are made to face our inner destitution, our inner death and ruin and thus our eternally lost state.** When a soul is faced with its own utter darkness, with its own depravity, God can then begin to deal with that soul on the basis of truth, NOT DECEPTION.

Within the inner heart of man, the hidden heart that sits upon the throne of the Holy of Holies, lies the ANTICHRIST spirit. Just as there will be a literal antichrist upon the Temple Mount in Jerusalem, who defiles the Holy of Holies in Jerusalem, each of us also have an antichrist sitting upon the throne on our own temple mount. It resides there directing the affairs of your life **IN TOTAL SECRECY**.

Jesus said if one was not for Him, that person was against Him. If they are not regenerated, they are AGAINST HIM. Their surface professions of conscious faith are to no avail, for it is the **HIDDEN INNER MAN THAT IS ANTICHRIST TO THE CORE**. The 'peace agreement' (conversion), to the **revelation of antichrist** within the holy of holies, via the narrow way, and the opening of the door to the holy of holies to allow Christ

in (regeneration) is the finding of life. It is Christ that destroys antichrist at His coming (regeneration).

One must walk the path of the narrow way in order to **have their antichrist spirit revealed unto them**, for each individual is the only one that can UNSEAT this antichrist spirit. It is Christ that destroys our antichrist spirit at His coming. Christ will NOT share His throne WITH ANOTHER GOD. There is much more here than MEETS THE EYE.

We have found out that it appears the TABERNACLE IN THE WILDERNESS and the TEMPLE are constructed in the same way as we are – that is, there is an **OUTER COURT** (our conscious mind), an **INNER COURT** (our subconscious and hidden mind) and a **HOLY OF HOLIES** which is where the HIDDEN INNER ANTICHRIST SPIRIT SITS AND DIRECTS OUR LIVES, as we have said previously. It is in this HOLY OF HOLIES where Christ wants to ascend the throne. It is here that He knocks on the door of our holy of holies to gain entrance. We cannot hear that knocking, or hear His voice, until we JOURNEY THROUGH THE NARROW WAY to uncover this remarkable truth.

The “many” never made this journey; they are in truth OUTER COURT CHRISTIANS. They remain in the outer court and their religions are all outer court beliefs. They go to their churches, sing their songs of praise and worship, give great gifts, but never GO BEYOND THE VEIL INTO THE INNER COURT and further into the HOLY OF HOLIES, which is where all the elements of true salvation lay. A study of the temple is a most interesting study.

THE RELIGION OF CAIN

One needs to fully understand that they can be VERY religious, VERY devout, VERY sincere and VERY dedicated to Jesus Christ and fully miss the mark. These are all forms of works of righteousness. **IT IS IMPERATIVE TO UNDERSTAND THIS.** The strait gate and narrow way ARE THE OPPOSITE OF WORKS, FOR THE NARROW WAY HAS BUT ONE PURPOSE: **TO BRING THE BELIEVER INTO AGREEMENT WITH GOD FROM HIS INNER AND SECRET SPIRITUAL HEART OF HEARTS.** Scripture is adamant: WE MUST BELIEVE FROM **OUR HEART** (Romans 10:9).

God is not interested in your sincerity. God does not care about your so-called dedication in that sense. He is interested in only one thing. **You must be obedient and do what He commanded, and then your inner nature, your secret heart of hearts, can be exposed to you or made known to you. The inner heart lies behind the veil of the subconscious, and is secret. The narrow way is a way of unmasking it. Herein is the key to true salvation and regeneration. Ignore it, and you shall perish in your sins.**

The vast majority of Christians who stood before Christ rejected had the religion of Cain; though they professed they were of Abel! Both Cain and Abel were religious. Both Cain and Abel came to the altar of God to present their offerings. Both Cain and Abel thought they were doing what God commanded.

**“And in the process of time it came to pass,
that CAIN BROUGHT OF THE FRUIT OF
THE**

**GROUND AN OFFERING UNTO THE
LORD.**

**And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of
his flock and of the fat thereof. And the
Lord had respect unto Abel and to his offering:
But unto Cain and his offering he had NOT
RESPECT.”
(Genesis 4:3-5)**

Cain was considered a religious person. He came with what he thought was a sincere offering. IT WAS UTTERLY REJECTED BY GOD. Both of them came to the house of the Lord; both of them presented offerings, so **BOTH WERE VERY SINCERE**. Both of them are TYPES of believers! Abel was accepted, and Cain was rejected: WHY? The many who stood before Christ were also rejected, along with their offerings and all of their dedicated service. **Both Cain and the “many” were sincere**. What happened?

There is a book written by G.H. Pember in 1876 which is called “EARTH’S EARLIEST AGES”, and it is so much to the point that it is quoted from it here:

“As they grew to manhood the brothers adopted differing pursuits. Cain became a tiller of the ground, and therefore had reason to feel the curse in all of its bitterness: but Abel was a keeper of sheep. And, since men were not, at that time, allowed to touch animal food, these sheep must have been kept for sacrificial purposes and for the manufacture of garments. Hence Cain assisted in the production of food for the primeval family, while Abel’s duties

were concerned with their religious services and clothing.

In the process of time the brothers brought each an offering unto the Lord, presented it, probably at the gate of paradise. And God has respect unto Abel and his offering; but unto Cain and to his offering He had no respect.

The reason of this difference is fraught with the deepest interest to us: for there are many in the latter days who according to the prophecy of Jude (Jude 11) have gone the way of Cain: the theology of the first murderer is that of a larger and perpetually increasing school of our times.

He neither denied the existence of God nor refused to worship Him. Ney, he recognized Him as the Giver of all good things, and brought his offering of fruits of the ground as an acknowledgment of his bounty. But he went no further than this; and therefore, though he may have passed among those with whom he dwelt as a good and religious man, he failed to satisfy God. For being YET IN HIS SINS he presumed to approach God the Holy One without the shedding of blood: he was willing to take the place of a dependent creature, but would not confess himself a sinner guilty of death who could be saved only by a sacrifice of a substitute.” (Page 118)

The religion of Cain is the religion of the “many”. They brought their offerings before the Lord. They served the Lord with utter dedication and sincerity, yet they refused to ENTER THE STRAIT GATE AND WALK THE NARROW WAY. They tithe a great tithe;

worship with song and adore the Lord. They say how they love Jesus and cannot live even a moment without Him by their side. They pray to their Jesus and offer Him total devotion. They are obedient unto the Lord, and visit the sick, those in prison, those that are shut in, and the elderly. They hand out tracts, pray diligently, read their scriptures and attend to their church duties.

They support local charity, do good works, support radio and television ministries, but for all that **they miss the entire point of scripture. They will not offer up their own souls to soul death. They will not walk the narrow way to death that they might find life, which is the life of Christ, which is Divine Agape love. They remain OUTER COURT CHRISTIANS.**

Because they refuse to offer up their own souls to the Lord, by walking the narrow way, Christ never does come in contact with them for His contact is SPIRIT TO SPIRIT! His statement to them that they pick up their own cross and follow Him **in death** fell upon deaf ears. They replied they were under faith and grace, and therefore did not have to do as Christ commanded. That would be a 'work' and they excluded it. Their definition of faith and grace was in grave error, and they perish for eternity. **THEY REFUSED TO BE OBEDIENT IN THE ONE AREA THEY HAD TO BE!** They invented a theology that told them they did not have to do anything like that, and as a result, they go into eternal ruin, utterly rejected.

BELIEVERS WHO WOULD KILL CHRIST

The Gospel of John contains a most interesting narrative concerning BELIEVERS AND FOLLOWERS OF JESUS CHRIST WHO PROFESSED TOTAL BELIEF

IN HIM, BUT WHO IN TRUTH HATED HIM! Their religion was also the religion of Cain. We find this group of believers in the Gospel of John, Chapter Eight:

“As he spake these words, many believed on him.

Then said Jesus to those Jews which BELIEVED on him...”

(John 8:30-31)

It is important to realize that these Jews BELIEVED UPON JESUS. They had accepted His statements and commands. The word “believed” is ‘pisteuo’ and it means **to have put faith in, to entrust, to commit to, or to put your trust in, assurance, belief, faith, fidelity.** It is interesting to note that the same word is used for those who believe unto salvation. This being true, then are these Jews saved? If it is not faith and belief that save us, then what does?

**“IF ye CONTINUE in my word,
THEN ARE YE MY DISCIPLES INDEED;
and ye shall KNOW THE TRUTH,
and THE TRUTH shall make you free.”**

(John 8:31-32)

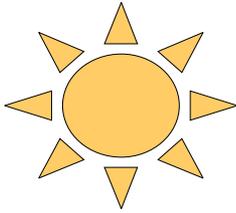
Jesus is qualifying something very important. Notice they first believed. Now He says to those that believed that there is a required **conditional aspect of their faith in Him they must know.** Although they are disciples, they **ARE NOT disciples INDEED;** nor are they IN TRUTH, nor do they know **THE TRUTH.** Jesus says they must CONTINUE for an unstated amount of time before they **will FIND ‘the truth’ that will set them free.** The conclusion is simple: they are not yet truly ‘in the faith’. They must **continue with Him, and be**

obedient to His commands or they will not come to a knowledge of ‘the truth’.

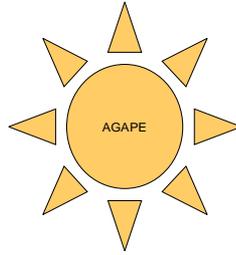
The word “continue” is ‘meno’ and it means **TO ENDURE, TO ABIDE IN, TO REMAIN IN, TO BE STEADFAST IN OVER A LONG PERIOD OF TIME**. These Jews were face to face with Jesus who said He was ‘the truth’. What other truth is He speaking of? If Jesus Christ is ‘the truth’ and they already ‘believed’ on Him, then why are they not His true disciples and saved already? Modern Christianity would declare them saved on their testimony. Jesus would not, and did not. The answer is vital to understand:

Jesus is saying something of crucial importance here; there is another truth, an unseen truth, a hidden truth, the mystery of God, that is different than Jesus himself as Messiah in the flesh. He is speaking of His inner SPIRIT, that which is unseen, the hidden and secret aspect, as it goes beyond his flesh body.

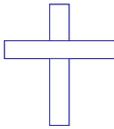
God is a SPIRIT, and God IS DIVINE AGAPE. It is the eternal SPIRIT ESSENCE, THE DIVINE LOVE ASPECT OF CHRIST, THAT THEY MUST SEEK AFTER AND FIND. It is this essence, this aspect that is the hidden secret, the mystery of God, which is the mystery of the invisible Spirit of Christ. He is telling us that we can lay hold of that hidden aspect if we do as we are told. It is this aspect that is called “THE TRUTH”. It is this essence that God gives to the truly “reborn”.



Christ



The Historic Christ
Essence Hidden



"The Truth"
Essence Revealed

The Truth that sets FREE

It is this other 'truth' that Jesus says will set them 'free'. They CANNOT KNOW this 'other truth' unless they ABIDE STEADFASTLY IN HIS DOCTRINE. They must continue with Him; they must search it out with all due diligence. Notice that it is the **OTHER TRUTH THAT SETS THEM FREE**. Without it they are not free, **but remain in bondage**.

What is the other "truth" that Jesus says we CAN KNOW? The word "know" is 'ginosko' and it means **to know in the absolute sense, or experiential knowing**. It is the same word used by Jesus when he sent the many away rejected, for He claimed He did not **know them**, and it is the same word used by Jesus to describe how **He knew His Father**. They obviously then, did not know this other truth, and they were not set free. They were not at liberty.

This truth that sets us all free is an '**experiential truth**' one that we can **KNOW FOR A FACT**. While this

encounter is totally spiritual, it is EXPERIENTIALLY known by the mind and soul, or the flesh man. So now we see a division here that we must not forget. There is Jesus Christ the Messiah, the historical Christ, who came in a physical body to redeem us through his shed blood. Then there is this other “truth”, **the inner Spirit of Christ**, that sets us free. The word “free” is ‘eleutheroo’ and it means **to liberate, to deliver, to make free, to be at liberty.**

We have a group of believers who have FAITH and TRUST in the physical Lord, but they are not yet ‘made free’, for they have not yet ‘continued’ in His doctrine long enough to understand what He is speaking about.

**“They answered him, we be Abraham’s seed,
and were never in bondage to any man:
how sayest thou,
ye shall be MADE FREE?”
(John 8:33)**

This was a foolish response, for the Jews were under the yoke of Rome, but Jesus is not referring to earthly rulers. They were under a spiritual yoke, a spiritual bondage, because they were dead in their trespasses and sins.

**“Jesus answered them, verily, verily, I say
unto you, whosoever committeth sin is the
SERVANT OF SIN.**

**And the servant abideth not in the house
forever: but the Son abideth ever.**

**If the Son therefore SHALL MAKE YOU
FREE,
YE SHALL BE FREE INDEED.”**

(John 8:34-36)

Herein are great essential spiritual truths. Jesus tells His believers that they are still sinners, thus not yet free. They are still the servants of sin. What does He mean by that? They are bound by their fallen human nature. One cannot change their nature; they are what they are! They are bound by their own evil, because of the **FALL OF MAN**. Jesus is telling them that, because of the fall of Adam and Eve, the servant does not abide in His house (body) forever, but dies and is taken away. Jesus, the Son, does abide forever and is offering to them eternal life. So Jesus is adding details about how to **BE SET FREE, AND BE FREE INDEED**. HE IS SPEAKING ABOUT REGENERATION.

**“I know that ye are Abraham’s SEED;
BUT YE SEEK TO KILL ME,
BECAUSE MY WORD HATH NO PLACE IN
YOU.**

**I speak that which I have seen with my Father:
And ye do that which ye have seen with YOUR
FATHER.”
(John 8:37-38)**

Notice that some of His believers, His followers, His disciples, those that had FAITH in Him, actually have murder in their heart. They were in truth trying to kill Him. How is that possible? Why would one make a profession of faith only to have the thought of murder deep within? Jesus gives us the answer. He belongs to His Father’s Kingdom, the Kingdom of Heaven. They belong to their father, Satan, and the kingdom of the fallen ones.

They do not understand what Jesus is saying, **because their father BLINDS THEM TO IT**. Their father is Satan, and they are Satan's children. All people everywhere are Satan's children, because of the fall, unless they are overcomers and regenerated.

**“They answered and said unto to him,
Abraham is our father. Jesus saith unto them,
IF
YE WERE ABRAHAM'S
CHILDREN, YE WOULD DO THE WORKS
OF ABRAHAM.**

**BUT NOW YE SEEK TO KILL ME,
A MAN THAT HATH TOLD YOU THE
TRUTH, WHICH
I HAVE HEARD OF GOD: THIS DID NOT
ABRAHAM.”**
(John 8:39-40)

Jesus drives yet another division: SEED vs. CHILDREN. Christ acknowledges these people are of the SEED of Abraham, but they are not THE CHILDREN of Abraham. All mankind is the SEED OF GOD, but very few are the CHILDREN OF GOD/SONS OF GOD. Jesus is very blunt that they seek to kill Him, because He is telling them the truth. The TRUTH, the REAL TRUTH, causes mankind to be stirred up in great anger and wrath.

The REAL TRUTH CONDEMNS MANKIND TO ETERNAL DAMNATION. Man will simply NOT HEAR that message. They invent all forms of religions and philosophies TO AVOID THE TRUTH. They also KILL THE TRUTH BRINGERS. The many who stood before Christ **rejected the truth**, and **hated Christ in**

their inner hearts. They only loved Him with their conscious minds and hearts. Their INNER hearts were of stone!

You must also remember that these people **KNEW THEIR BIBLES**, just as the “many” knew their Scripture. The problem is they **REFUSED TO APPLY IT TO THEMSELVES IN OBEDIENCE**. These people must be associated with those in which the Bible says “ever learning but not able to come to the truth”. Obedience is now a politically incorrect word in the church. It is often called “LORDSHIP SALVATION”. Jesus himself asked a very simple question: “Why do you call me Lord, Lord, and **NOT DO WHAT I SAY?**” Good question! Because of this refusal to face who and what they really are, the murdering heart of Cain lurks HIDDEN just below the surface. They must walk the narrow way to have their INNER HEARTS REVEALED TO THEM.

**“Ye do the DEEDS OF YOUR FATHER. Then
said they to him, We be not born of
fornication;
WE HAVE ONE FATHER, EVEN GOD.**

**Jesus said unto them,
IF GOD WERE YOUR FATHER,
YE WOULD (AGAPAO) LOVE ME:
FOR I PROCEEDED FORTH AND CAME
FROM GOD;
NEITHER CAME I OF MYSELF,
BUT HE SENT ME.**

**WHY DO YE NOT UNDERSTAND MY
SPEECH?**

**EVEN BECAUSE YE CANNOT HEAR MY
WORD?"**
(John 8:41-43)

Now the exchange heats up a bit. Jesus answers HIS FOLLOWERS, THOSE THAT BELIEVED UPON HIM, THAT THEIR FATHER IS NOT GOD, NOR IS IT ABRAHAM. They have another father, another 'God', often referred to as the "**GOD OF THIS WORLD**". **If they KNEW GOD, they would AGAPEO LOVE HIM.** Here we come back to this mysterious love issue again, another confirmation of why the many were lost. The many claimed GOD WAS THEIR FATHER. They claimed they were the Sons of God, but THEY HAD NOT LAID HOLD OF DIVINE AGAPE LOVE TO PROVE IT. Once again we find this division line: **DIVINE AGAPE LOVE MAKES ONE A SON OF GOD, A SON OF ABRAHAM**, and if one does not have AGAPE love, their father IS THE DEVIL HIMSELF. That stings a bit, doesn't it?

Then Jesus asks them a question: 'Why don't you understand my speech?', and then answers His own question: "BECAUSE YE CANNOT HEAR MY WORD." His answer fits the many. They refused **to hear** what He said to them. They had ears to hear, but could not hear. They had eyes to see, but could not see. They refused **to obey** or **comply**. They were not going to ABIDE, CONTINUE, OR SEEK ANY OTHER TRUTH. THEY BELIEVED THEY WERE SAVED, AND THEY WERE THE CHILDREN OF GOD. They were in utter rebellion, with murder in their hearts, yet they claimed they had the DIVINE AGAPE love of God.

This book, "THE POOR LOST CHRISTIAN", will bring great anger to many people, and especially the

clergy. They cannot stand it, and call the contents of this book all sorts of evil names, and yet none of them have EVER, verse by verse, refuted it by claiming that Jesus NEVER SAID ANY OF THESE THINGS, or that THEY DO NOT PERTAIN TO CHRISTIANS and give proofs for that claim! The truth brings as much anger to the religious spirits of our day as it did in those days. Indeed, NOTHING HAS CHANGED. It also proves the real nature of the human heart.

We have millions sitting in churches today **claiming** they have the **Divine Agape of God**, but they refuse to comply with the simple demands of Christ **TO OBTAIN IT**. The word “hear” is ‘akouo’ and it means **TO HEAR, TO GIVE AUDIENCE TO, TO COME TO**. **This is what the many do; they REFUSE CHRIST ALL THE WHILE UPHOLDING HIS NAME!**

You can put all your faith and belief in Christ and STILL REFUSE TO COMPLY WITH HIS DEMANDS. If you refuse to do His sayings, and you refuse to do the will of the Father, you remain a child of Satan. You have the heart of Cain, and you will most assuredly die in your sins. Your theology will not save you, protests will not save you and divinity degrees will not save you, NOR WILL YOUR OPINIONS SAVE YOU!

**“YE ARE OF YOUR FATHER THE DEVIL,
AND THE LUSTS OF YOUR FATHER YE
WILL DO.**

**He was a murderer from the beginning,
and ABODE NOT IN THE TRUTH,
BECAUSE THERE IS NO TRUTH IN HIM.
When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own:
for he is a liar, and the father of it.**

**AND BECAUSE I TELL YOU THE TRUTH,
YE BELIEVE ME NOT.**

**Which of you convinceth me of sin?
And if I say the truth, why do ye NOT
BELIEVE ME?
(John 8:44-46)**

Jesus is now blunt, that they are **dead in their trespasses and sins and Satan is their father. NO DIVINE AGAPE LOVE IS WITHIN THEM.** If they had **Divine Agape, God would be their father, and they would have understood what he was speaking about.** We find complete agreement; total harmony with the concept laid down in Matthew 7. The concept of the universal Fatherhood of God and the brother-hood of man is a lie out of hell itself. God is only the Father of those who have been regenerated, and the only ones who have been regenerated have walked the narrow way to find life.

Jesus is saying to these BELIEVERS, that they DO NOT HAVE DIVINE AGAPE LOVE WITHIN THEM, THEY ARE NOT REBORN WITH A NEW SPIRIT. Because of that, their father is Satan himself. Jesus said IF THEY HAD DIVINE AGAPE LOVE, then indeed they would be from Abraham! The division is verified:

**NO AGAPE LOVE = FATHER IS SATAN
HAVE AGAPE LOVE = FATHER IS GOD**

It is getting clearer now what the problem of the rejected Christians really is: **THEY HAVE NOT LAID HOLD OF THE MYSTERY OF GOD – THEY HAVE NO DIVINE AGAPE LOVE.** They are, in fact, **DISOBEDIENT** to Christ, and refuse to enter in

themselves, and work hard to prevent others from entering in.

Who was the first murderer of the human race? Was it not Cain? Whose spirit was in Cain? Satan's (1 John 3:12)! Satan won dominion over all mankind at the fall. Adam and Eve were **BORN INTO SATAN'S KINGDOM!** You may not like it, but Satan's kingdom is right here on earth, **WHICH IS WHY HE CALLED THE "GOD OF THIS WORLD"**, found in 2 Corinthians 4:4. Adam and Eve became changed creatures at the fall, under satanic influence. Every person born into the human race is born into Satan's kingdom, with a fallen nature, and under the dominion and control of Satan. We do not like that. In fact it is a fact that is hated by the world, which is one of the primary reasons that Christ is **REJECTED!** His message is **HARSH**, and mankind does not want to hear any of it.

When Christ came and finished His work, He paved the way for us to **FOLLOW HIM** and **EXTRICATE OURSELVES** from Satan's dominion. That is exactly why He said we **MUST** pick up our cross and follow Him. **It is via the strait gate and narrow way that we extricate ourselves, and enter into the new covenant.** If we refuse to do what Christ commanded, we remain under the dominion of Satan and Christ's work upon the cross is of non-effect for those individuals. We remain under the wrath of God. Remember when Christ said He did not come to condemn the world, but rather to save it? He did not come to condemn the world, because **IT STANDS CONDEMNED ALREADY!!**

Scripture proves that although the world is now under the grace of God, and Christians even more so, that disobedience to the commands of Christ does not avail

us of the protection of grace. In other words, the grace God provided was MOCKED, and it was offered in vain to the vast majority of mankind, including most believers. If the many were under grace IN TRUTH, they could never have been sent away into eternal ruin.

To make God's grace and mercy cover you, you **MUST** enter in via **THE STRAIT GATE**. There IS no other way, for grace only extends itself to those who have entered the new covenant of a regenerated heart. We cover this later, but **GRACE IS WHAT BROUGHT A STRAIT GATE AND A NARROW WAY**. Mankind does not deserve either. To mock Christ and deny His offer of redemption, via this STRAIT GATE and NARROW WAY, is to ask for eternal ruin at the end!!

Notice that Jesus says to these Jews who thought they believed upon Him, that in TRUTH THEY DO NOT BELIEVE. That seems like a contradiction, but it is not. You can be a believer in Christ, and still not BELIEVE WHAT HE TELLS YOU! In other words you believe UPON HIM, but you do not believe **enough** UPON **WHAT HE COMMANDS** of you to do it. **UNBELIEF IS DEADLY TO THE CHRISTIAN. This is why He said, "Why do you call me Lord, Lord, and NOT DO WHAT I TELL YOU?" You see, if Christ really was their LORD, they would in FACT DO WHAT HE TOLD THEM.**

**“Then answered the Jews, and said unto him,
Say we not well THAT THOU ART A
SAMARITAN, AND
HAST A DEVIL?
(John 8:48)**

Jesus, the CREATOR GOD OF THE UNIVERSE, says to the Jews and human race, YOUR FATHER IS SATAN HIMSELF. The human race, including the **vast majority of Christians**, utterly deny it, and turn around and accuse Christ of being a demonic, or being insane! Rather than face the **REPROOF AND REBUKE OF GOD**, the human race will REBUKE GOD AND GOES INTO ETERNAL RUIN.

**“Jesus answered, I HAVE NOT A DEVIL;
BUT I HONOUR MY FATHER, AND YE DO
DISHONOUR ME.”**

And I seek not mine own glory: there is one that seeketh and judgeth. Verily, verily I say unto you,
**IF A MAN KEEP MY SAYING,
HE SHALL NEVER SEE DEATH.”**
(John 8:49-51)

Jesus again confirms His first statement to these believers. They must keep his sayings, must be obedient unto his commands and if they refuse they will perish in their sins. Their only hope is in keeping HIS SAYINGS. That is exactly what Jesus said about the ‘many’ in Matthew Seven. If a man **KEPT HIS SAYINGS, AND DID THEM, HE WAS A WISE MAN.** If he would NOT do them, he was a foolish man and fell at the judgment. The work “keep” is ‘tereo’ and it means **to guard from loss, to hold fast, to prevent from escaping, to hold on to for the duration.** Here we find one more reference to obedience. If you obey His commands to hold fast to His sayings, you shall find eternal life. If you refuse for WHATEVER reason, you will perish in your sins. Is it possible that faith is proven

by obedience? That obedience is God's VERY DEFINITION of faith?

What we have proof of here is that INDEED one can be a BELIEVER, A FOLLOWER, and still refuse to accept the commands of Christ and DO THEM. These believers moved from being disciples to attempted murderers, and that because they would not face the truth of who and what they were. They did not have Divine Agape within them; they were unregenerate and only made a profession of religion. Religion will damn your soul for eternity. TRUTH WILL SAVE YOU FOREVER.

The 'many' Christians who stand before Christ are utterly rejected without mercy. They were sincere in their own eyes, and they believed in and LOVED Christ with all of their HUMAN LOVE. But inwardly their hearts were FAR FROM HIM, for human love is not what Christ demands in this thing called salvation. **He demands that human love BE EXCHANGED FOR THE DIVINE AGAPE LOVE OF CHRIST.** That is what REBIRTH is all about. It is a LOVE TYPE EXCHANGE. The "many" refused to allow Christ entrance to their heart of hearts, their great THRONE ROOM, WHERE THEIR GREAT 'I AM' SAT IN REGAL SPLendor. THERE WAS NO ROOM IN THEIR INN FOR CHRIST. THEY MADE HIM SLEEP OUTSIDE. For all of their profession, they took the broad road to eternal hellfire.

CHAPTER NINE

SERVANTS – WISE AND FOOLISH

There are multitudes of gems of truth waiting to be discovered by the diligent seeker in the parables of Christ. As one turns a diamond, one begins to see the many facets of the cut, and how each catches LIGHT. Only by close examination do we find all the catches of light. So it is with the parables of Christ. One of many facets in those parables is the constant division Christ makes between types of believers.

The point to understand is that Christ ALWAYS **divides** believers into TWO TYPES, and ONLY TWO TYPES. These types are **faithful and obedient, versus unfaithful and disobedient**. The obedient are the wise servants, and the disobedient are evil unwise servants. It does not matter what parable one looks at in which servants are involved. The distinctions and divisions are clear for all to see. **It is important to recognize that Christ calls both of them SERVANTS.**

The use of the term SERVANTS is vital to prove that Christ will send many Christians into eternal ruin. In all of the parables about servants, the unwise and evil servants are sent away into eternal ruin. By contrast the WISE AND FAITHFUL are always granted entrance

into the Father's Kingdom. All of them are believers; all of them are considered part of God's church here on Earth.

The word "servant" is 'doulos' and it means **SLAVE, ONE OWNED BY ANOTHER**. A servant has a Lord and master, one who rules over him, if not in deed, IN TRUTH. All servants are WITHIN THE BODY OF CHRIST. They have been accepted into the church, as we found in the Book of Revelation. But not all Christians are obedient servants, in fact the VAST MAJORITY ARE NOT. They are unwise, foolish and evil in the sight of Christ. They are not overcomers, yet both types are under the lordship of Jesus Christ.

One of the better parables, to clearly show this distinction between wise and faithful and unwise and foolish servants, is the parable of the good man of the house. We will pick up at the very end of this parable (Matthew 24:43-51).

**“And shall CUT HIM (the evil servant)
ASUNDER,
AND APPOINT HIM HIS PORTION WITH
THE HYPOCRITES:**

**THERE SHALL BE WEEPING AND
GNASHING OF TEETH.”
(Matthew 24:51)**

Jesus appoints the evil SERVANTS to eternal ruin. They are identical to hypocrites; in fact they ARE HYPOCRITES. They have a form of Godliness, but deny the power of God. The word for "hypocrite" is 'hupokrites' and it means **acting under a feigned part, an actor under an assumed character**. They are frauds;

workers of iniquity. Why? They are not in truth regenerated. They have not laid hold of the mystery of God; **they have not laid hold of Divine Agape. They only claimed they had by theology. Because they did not have it, they were liars, frauds, and hypocrites.**

They built a theology that told them they did not have to enter the strait gate, or walk the narrow way. They **BYPASSED IT**, laid hold of the promises of God, claimed they had agape love in their hearts, feigned agape love, called themselves the sons of God, but knew not Jesus Christ or God the Father. Their eternal punishment is horrible beyond imagination. Repent, and come by the door into the sheepfold before it is too late!

Being a hypocrite was one thing that Jesus could not stand more than any other. He wanted confessions of truth from people. If they were His enemy, He wanted them to so state. One can deal with a person that is their sworn enemy. It is difficult indeed to deal with one who calls you ‘friend’, but in reality is a deadly foe. Christ has a special place for these hypocrites, who attempt to claim Him as their Lord, but refuse His commandments. They claim they **KNOW HIM AND GOD**, but only **know Satan and their own conceits.**

It is vital to understand, however, that **THE UNWISE AND FOOLISH SERVANTS DO NOT RECOGNIZE THE FACT THAT THEY ARE HYPOCRITES.** They are under a delusion, a deception of Satan. **They do not understand they are stage players; that they ‘knowest not’.** This deception comes from their theology. They have embraced a false theology, which damns them.

If a person does not think their destination is hell, then obviously they believe they are going to Heaven. One’s

beliefs do not matter to Christ. What matters to Christ is that they come to a full recognition of where they are in relationship to God, confess it, and become obedient and do what Christ commands to rectify it. Jesus will NEVER CONDEMN a human soul that ADMITS to his condition, and who comes to Him IN TRUTH for salvation. Scripture will prove that Jesus Himself stands close to the end of the narrow way, and therefore we must enter the strait gate and walk the distance of the narrow way first to FIND LIFE (**AGAPE LOVE IN CHRIST**)! There is no other entrance whatever.

In the parable of the talents, **THE SERVANTS OF THE LORD** are given talents to invest for their Lord Jesus Christ. Many assume this is a parable on money, but it is much more than that. It is also a parable of the use of your several **ABILITIES**, or Spirit given gifts, to help the Body of Christ. Look what Christ does to the **WICKED SERVANT**:

“And I was AFRAID, and went and hid thy talent in the earth: lo, there thou hast that is thine.

His Lord answered and said unto him, THOU WICKED AND SLOTHFUL SERVANT, THOU KNEWEST THAT I REAP WHERE I SOWED NOT, AND GATHER WHERE I HAVE NOT STRAWED...

AND CAST YE THE UNPROFITABLE SERVANT INTO OUTER DARKNESS: THERE SHALL BE WEEPING AND GNASHING OF TEETH.”

(Matthew 25:25, 26, 30)

The wicked servant was afraid. In Revelation 21:8 Jesus says **‘BUT THE FEARFUL’** shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the **‘SECOND DEATH’**. The wicked servant was given **THE POWER TO BECOME A SON OF GOD**. He was given gifts of the Spirit when he/she became a Christian. The unwise servant did not enter the strait gate, did not walk the narrow way to life, and therefore could not **IN TRUTH LEAD OTHERS TO LIFE**. Their talents were hid in the ground, not utilized for the Kingdom; but instead they became false teachers and false prophets, who took millions into eternal ruin with them!

If we examine the parable of the **TEN VIRGINS**, we will find a total confirmation of believers being sent away into eternal ruin and loss. Christ clearly shows us the danger to Christians who do not enter the strait gate and walk the narrow way. It proves there are two types of believers: **THE TRUE BELIEVERS WHO OBEY AND DO, AND THE FALSE BELIEVERS WHO DO NOT OBEY AND WHO ARE SHUT OUT OF HEAVEN ALTOGETHER**. This parable is what is called a double reference parable. That is, it has two meanings, one referring to salvation itself, the other in a prophetic sense. We will examine this parable in relationship to the **‘many’** rejected, who are in fact **FOOLISH VIRGINS, WHO NEVER CONSUMMATED THE ACT OF UNION WITH CHRIST**.

“Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto TEN VIRGINS, which took THEIR LAMPS, and went forth to MEET THE BRIDEGROOM.

AND FIVE OF THEM WERE WISE, AND FIVE WERE FOOLISH.”

(Matthew 25:1-2)

All ten of these VIRGINS go forth to meet the bridegroom. Is Christ not the Bridegroom? Now remember there were TWO WAYS that Christ told us HIS PEOPLE would follow, but all go forth to meet Him. Although all had lamps, five of them were wise, and five of them were foolish. The word “meet” is ‘apantesis’ and it means **TO ENCOUNTER, TO MEET SOMEONE FACE TO FACE**. This is of VITAL importance.

Remember that Jesus said, “I never **KNEW** you” to the “many”. In other words, HE NEVER HAD AN EXPERIENTIAL ENCOUNTER WITH THEM. There was never any UNION. All Christians are supposed to enter the strait gate and walk the narrow way to encounter Jesus Christ, who IS THE HOLDER OF DIVINE AGAPE LOVE ‘LIFE’. The wise virgins will; the foolish virgins will not. All the virgins have set out on their journey. Five will take the broad way; five will take the narrow way.

**“They that were FOOLISH took their lamps,
and took NO OIL WITH THEM:
But the WISE TOOK OIL in their vessels with
their lamps.”
(Matthew 25:3-4)**

The only division Christ gave to us to divide the wise from the foolish is THE OIL SUPPLY. The foolish only had the oil that was in THEIR LAMPS. Could we call that GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT? The wise had an additional supply of oil, so that when their lamps began to burn out, they could fill it again and CONTINUE ON THEIR JOURNEY. Could we call that regeneration?

There is NO OTHER DIVISION MADE HERE. It becomes obvious that the additional oil allows the lamps TO BURN FOR A LONGER PERIOD OF TIME. Their lamps can ‘continue’ and ‘abide’ and ‘remain’ in a lighted condition. What then does the oil represent? Does it have to do with the strait gate and narrow way?

The lamps shed light. The light comes from the oil itself. It is the oil that brings light. What is the job of the Holy Spirit? It is to bring light. The oil therefore must be the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit was sent to **convict of sin, righteousness and judgment**, which is leading one to the truth. The light must be the truths of the Word. Remember the lamps that light up the INNER COURT?

The five foolish took only a LIMITED SUPPLY OF OIL. Their supply of oil brought them to the truth of Jesus Christ as Messiah, **WHICH IS THE HISTORICAL CHRIST**. They entered the broad gate of general Christianity, the sheepfold. That was as far as they would allow the Holy Spirit to bring them. They had the religion of Cain. The five WISE virgins had an additional supply. That additional supply allowed the **Holy Spirit to convict of sin, righteousness and judgment in truth**, for they entered the strait gate and walked the narrow way and **ENCOUNTERED CHRIST**. The foolish took the broad way ONLY, had limited interest, and limited dedication. They accepted Christ, but went no further. Their theology told them they did not need to go further.

A truth begins to emerge here. All people who undergo conversions are given a supply of oil. The Holy Spirit is allowed in their lives only enough to convert them to the historical Christ, the Christ of the cross via conversion. The division is in THE EXTRA SUPPLY OF OIL. The

wise ALLOW THE SPIRIT OF REAL CONVICTION TO WORK ITS WORK TO SOUL DEATH. Jesus said each one of us must die spiritually while we are yet alive. He meant what He said, as will be proven. Without this supernatural and mysterious death there can be no new life granted. We do not move from life to life, but **from death unto life.**

The wise had enough diligence and dedication to make it through. The others merely professed it, but refused to enter in. Their theology claimed that dedication and diligence were WORKS, A FORM OF HUMAN EFFORT. They claimed they were under faith and grace, but they did not realize the TRUE DEFINITIONS OF FAITH AND GRACE. They redefined them, and embraced their own definitions as true. Thus their commitment to Christ was a mere decision, a mental acceptance to the CLAIMS OF CHRIST. Scripture proves that authentic salvation is concerned with THE TYPES OF COMMITMENT MADE TO FIND ‘THE TRUTH’. Scripture proves that ‘the truth’ is well hidden by God, and done so for a very important reason. It eliminates those who are false seekers.

Why do we need a more abundant supply of oil? Why is the oil granted at the beginning not enough to get us through? Could it be that the original journey to find Christ takes much more time than we think? Could it be that a simple decision for Christ, as now taught by modern Christianity, only places us on the broad way? That at that point we are in the Body of Christ, but Christ is not IN US? That **while we profess Christ, we do not**

possess Christ? That we have not laid hold of Divine Agape? Could it be THAT CONVERSION AND REGENERATION ARE A STRAIT GATE AND NARROW WAY APART?

**“While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept. And at MIDNIGHT THERE WAS A CRY MADE, BEHOLD, THE BRIDEGROOM COMETH; GO YE OUT TO MEET HIM.”
(Matthew 25:5-6)**

All of the virgins slumbered and slept. Do all Christians enter in via the WIDE GATE OF CONVERSION INTO THE SHEEPFOLD AND TRAVEL THE BROAD WAY IN SPIRITUAL SLUMBER? Christ tarried; He did not come as expected. There was a DELAY. Does the midnight cry represent the Holy Spirit attempting to CONVICT THE SOUL OF ITS LOST STATE? All Christians come into the sheepfold via conversion, but only the few find the door who is Christ! Is there a gap, between CONVERSION to Jesus Christ the Messiah, to knowing who Jesus Christ really is at regeneration? Is it possible that the hidden meaning here is the difference between WHO WILL and WHO WILL NOT WALK THE NARROW WAY TO MEET THE BRIDE-GROOM? There are warnings not to quench the Holy Spirit; it can be put out altogether!

“Then all those virgins arose, and TRIMMED THEIR LAMPS.

AND THE FOOLISH SAID UNTO THE WISE, GIVE US OF YOUR OIL; FOR OUR LAMPS ARE GONE OUT.”

(Matthew 25:7-8)

ALL the virgins are CALLED. Only a few are CHOSEN. What is the difference? What makes ONE WORTHY OF ETERNAL LIFE AND THE OTHER UNWORTHY? Notice that the five foolish virgins HAD QUENCHED THE SPIRIT. THEIR LAMPS HAVE LITERALLY GONE OUT! There is no more light; there is no more oil. **They had in fact blasphemed the Holy Spirit, resisted the Holy Spirit, called the waves of conviction by the Holy Spirit satanic attacks and rebuked it! They awake only long enough to find out they are eternally lost, without hope.**

The Spirit had called them, but they were too busy in this life. They had a business to run, sports to attend to, idols to worship, and they allowed the precious gift of the Holy Spirit to wax and wane until it was gone. THEY QUENCHED THE SPIRIT TO DAMNATION; IT WAS BEYOND MERE PROFESSION. They diligently sought out ‘the truth’. They continued in His doctrine, even though spiritually asleep, for they were not at that point regenerated. In the last hour when the cry was made, **they were not far from home.**

The wise had been obedient, and their lamps **WERE STILL LIT WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT.** They trimmed their lamps, and made them BRIGHT AGAIN. The trimming of the lamps is a method of removal of soot, of impurities that **IMPEDE THE LIGHT AND FLOW OF OIL.** They came forth with THE REQUIRED DEDICATION AND DILIGENCE, and went forth to warn the world of the impending arrival.

In comparison, the foolish virgins realize they have made a serious mistake in their theology. But because of their

refusals to heed the call of the Holy Spirit, they are unable to continue, FOR THEIR LAMPS HAVE GONE OUT. THE OIL SUPPLY HAS RUN OUT, AND THERE IS NO MORE OIL (Proverbs 1:22-31). They did not heed the counsel of the Lord. They seek the Lord, but it is too late and there is not enough time. God mocks them. He flatly says in Proverbs that **THEY WILL SEEK, BUT THEY WILL NOT FIND HIM**. Proverbs 1:28-30 “Then shall they call upon me, **but I will not answer; they shall seek me early, but they shall not find me;** For that **they hated knowledge,** and did not choose the fear of the LORD: They would **none of my counsel: they despised all my reproof.**”

These types of warnings are all over the Bible. The vast majority of God’s people, all of their claims to the contrary notwithstanding, refused knowledge. They would accept none of the counsel of the Lord to “enter in”, and would have nothing to do with the Lord’s reproof. Once again, a deadly warning to all those who have ears to hear.

For the sleeping foolish virgins, it is too late. They quenched the gift of the Spirit and they are eternally lost. No matter what they attempt, no matter how frantic they become, it will avail them nothing. They have passed the point of no return. They face eternal ruin. They never underwent Biblical repentance; they underwent a worldly repentance, if any at all.

In total anguish of soul, they turn to their brothers and sisters in the Lord and ask them for their oil. After all, are not Christians supposed TO SHARE? Their answer is beautiful to the apostate Christian who seeks only to live off the efforts of others. To the man who will NOT WORK, he and his family will starve. No Christian is

under any obligation to support or come to the aid of a brother in Christ WHO WILL NOT WORK. The Bible says let him starve to death. The reason for the harshness is that sooner or later the pangs of hunger will drive him to work. Indeed Christ is austere. The love of the Lord is indeed a ‘tough’ love. THIS HAS A SPIRITUAL APPLICATION AS WELL.

**“But the wise answered, saying, NOT SO;
LEST THERE BE NOT ENOUGH FOR US
AND
YOU: BUT GO YE RATHER TO THEM
THAT SELL, AND BUY FOR
YOURSELVES.”
(Matthew 25:9)**

What a beautiful and Holy response to all arrogant and presumptuous Christians, who freeload off their brethren in the name of Jesus (who demand to be fed, clothed and housed in the style THEY DEMAND at the expense of others). Their fate is a nightmare from which they will never escape. They end up destitute, naked and alone in the fires of hell; shut out forever from the gates of heaven. The professors of Christ are rejected into outer darkness. You cannot sell commitment to a cause. You cannot sell DILIGENCE OF PURPOSE. You cannot sell DEDICATION TO CHRIST. If you do not have it, you must ask God to give it to you! Ask now while there is yet time.

**“And while they went to buy, THE
BRIDEGROOM CAME; AND THEY THAT
WERE READY
WENT IN WITH HIM TO THE MARRIAGE:
AND THE DOOR WAS SHUT.”
(Matthew 25:10)**

The foolish virgins ARE SHUT OUT FOREVER. They never see heaven at all. They see only the judgment of Christ, who sends them away. Those that were ready went into the marriage. The wise were ready. What made them ready? It will be shown that what made them ready was the **LAYING HOLD OF DIVINE AGAPE LOVE, OF LAYING HOLD OF CHRIST!** The doors of heaven are SHUT TO ALL OTHER SOULS. The word “ready” is ‘hetoimos’ and it means **to be prepared, to have prepared, to have been made ready**. If this is true, then there IS A PREPARATION TO BE MADE. What is it? There is only one listed in Scripture; that is **entering the strait gate and walking the narrow way, which leads unto life, which is DIVINE AGAPE LOVE**. It is the walking of the narrow way that makes us READY. If we do this while we are yet alive, Christ, who is the bridegroom, will come and grant us the GIFT OF LOVE.

If we are negligent to the call, and DO NOT PREPARE, then in our final hours, when death is near, we become FRANTIC and search for the answer. God says He will MOCK US, for we refused prior to this time. The BRIDEGROOM COMETH, but only those prepared will go into the marriage. The others go into eternal ruin; they are shut out.

Notice they went THROUGH a door, and that door was **SHUT TO THE FOOLISH**. What door? **The LIVING CHRIST is the door** (John 10:9). Christ is the ONLY mediator of the New Covenant. One either enters in VIA THE DOOR, or one does not enter in, and the door is shut to them. Remember that Christ said there were two ways into the sheepfold, but only the ‘door’ leads into

heaven. The ‘some other way’ leads them into eternal ruin.

If one enters into the sheepfold by ‘some other way’, they will not enter heaven, but be rejected as “bastard sons”. To enter heaven, one must enter in by the living Christ. The many came to the HISTORICAL CHRIST, who hung upon the cross. They accept the historical Christ as their Messiah. At the return of Christ, who is THE DOOR, and also the BRIDEGROOM, there is a division of the believers. The authentic regenerated believers are called the WHEAT, and the fakes or bastard sons, are called the TARES. The wheat are then taken back to heaven. The tares are thrown into the FIRE TO BE BURNED.

The tares refused Him and His method of entry into the NEW COVENANT. Because they refused the narrow way, they have not life, and they have not Christ. It is the strait gate and narrow way that leads to the LIVING CHRIST. We will explore the differences in another chapter. The difference is essential to salvation.

**“Afterward came also the other virgins, saying,
Lord, Lord, open to us.**

**But He answered, and said, VERILY I SAY
UNTO YOU,
I KNOW YOU NOT.”
(Matthew 25:11-12)**

Here we find the identical answer that Christ gave to the ‘many’. **I NEVER KNEW YOU IS THE SAME AS I KNOW YOU NOT.** We have proof positive that Christ NEVER came into union with the FIVE FOOLISH VIRGINS. He never made contact with them, yet they

were all believers, followers, and disciples, all of them **IN THE BODY OF CHRIST**. What is the difference between a **VIRGIN** and a married woman? The married woman has undergone **CONSUMMATION OF THE MARRIAGE**.

Paul said that the mystery of Christ was like that of the union between a man and a wife (Ephesians 5:24-32; and Revelation 19:7-9). He likened the spiritual union between Christ and the believer as identical to sexual union where the “two become one flesh”. It is vital to understand why, so the full impact of this parable becomes clear in the sense of **REGENERATION**.

When Christ comes into **LITERAL** and actual **UNION**, with the true believer, He actually **penetrates the literal body of the believer**. “I will come in to him” (John 14:23; 17:3, 21, 23, 26; Revelation 3:20); into the physical body, into the very depths of the heart of hearts, the **SPIRITUAL HEART**. That is the act of **MARRIAGE CONSUMMATION**. If you think it is not so read on, for a large portion of Scripture is devoted to this **CONSUMMATION ACT THAT BRINGS UNION WITH JESUS CHRIST**.

John says that Christ leaves **HIS SEED** in the believer (1 John 3:9). A husband leaves his seed in his wife. It is the combination of **HIS SEED AND HER SEED THAT FORM A NEW CHILD**. The two become one. In the act of **REGENERATION, CHRIST COMES INTO THE HEART** (Revelation 3:20). He comes and speaks to the believer and they ‘sup’ together. Christ and the believer enter into **UNION, AND THE TWO BECOME ONE**. The seed of Christ is **DIVINE AGAPE**, and that seed merges with the believer’s **SPIRIT, RESURRECTS IT TO NEW LIFE, and BEHOLD, A NEW CREATURE**

IS MADE. The wise virgins went on to MEET the bridegroom, and they consummated their betrothal by being regenerated, which made them ‘brides’.

As sexual love is supposed to represent the ultimate in intimacy between a man and woman, so too is RE-GENERATION the ultimate intimacy between Christ and the believer. In both cases LOVE is involved. In Oriental weddings the marriage was consummated on the **first day of the wedding feast/supper**, which was to last for seven days. When Christ comes to the believer, the believer and Christ enter into **TRUE UNION**, and part of the marriage supper takes place. This is why Christ gave the parable of the wedding supper, and told us to go to the lowest room, or the pit of death. Here the believer is to wait for Christ to come, and when He does, UNION TAKES PLACE. Christ has many brides, and thus each undergo a **wedding supper at regeneration**. THESE ARE THEY THAT ARE READY, AND GO INTO THE MARRIAGE. That is exactly what Christ says in Revelation 3:20. He comes in to ‘sup’ with the believer. The word “sup” means **DINNER FEAST OR SUPPER**.

Every believer is called to the wedding supper of Revelation 3:20. As Christ clearly states, He stands at the END OF THE NARROW WAY. Then obviously one must travel it in order to reach the point where Christ is. That requires TIME, time requires patience, and both require OIL FROM THE HOLY SPIRIT. When the obedient believer MEETS CHRIST, then phase one of the marriage supper takes place.

In the oriental wedding, the Bridegroom comes to the bride, and picks her up and carries her away to his father’s home for great festivities. When Christ comes to the believer, in the act of regeneration, IT is something

HE DOES TO THE BELIEVER. Likewise, when a husband has intercourse with his wife, it is something HE DOES TO HER. The regenerated soul, NOW A TRUE BRIDE, causes GREAT JOY AND A CELEBRATION IN HEAVEN. Remember that prior to the consummation, the woman is simply a BRIDE TO BE.

Does not Christ say that at the biblical repentance of one sinner, and the finding of one lost sheep there is great joy? And does not the regenerated believer now take a place in the throne of Christ? Are we not to sit with Christ in the heavenly places? There is a spiritual application here for the story of literal and actual REGENERATION.

When a true believer walks the NARROW WAY, they come to the point of SOUL DEATH, for lack of a better term, which is nothing more than the revelation of their true position SPIRITUALLY before the Lord. In other words, they become mentally AWARE of their position. The point is THEY DIE, and that death is fully experiential, albeit totally supernatural. This death is in reality two things combined. First, they become aware of their actual state before Christ. Secondly, they are being separated from the world. That is, they are dying to this world.

The foolish virgin, the foolish Christian, will likewise come to a point of DYING. The difference is that the door to heaven is shut, because Christ can only save those that die a supernatural soul death while they are yet alive. If one dies in the physical sense while here on earth WITHOUT regeneration, **the door is totally shut**, because they can only avail themselves of it while they have physical life. The unwise virgins did not avail

themselves of the agape love of Christ; therefore they are shut out.

True believers are actually married to Christ, and are at that time called **THE BRIDE**. The use of the term bride is in fact applied only to a woman on her wedding day or just after the wedding. Before that she is called a **bride to be**, or more to the point, a **fiancée** in our times. **She becomes a bride only on her wedding day WHEN THE “I DO” is completed and consummated on the wedding night.** Christ is returning for HIS BRIDE. In point of fact CHRIST IS MARRIED TO THEM, and they are His bride, witnessed by the miracle and wonderful **act of consummation at regeneration.**

Only the bride of Christ will enter heaven, where they will go through all of the festivities of a formal wedding ceremony that is then both physical and spiritual. The spiritual aspect was already accomplished, which allows them to go into the final festivities!

**“LET US BE GLAD AND REJOICE,
AND GIVE HONOR TO HIM:**

**FOR THE MARRIAGE OF THE LAMB IS
COME,
AND HIS WIFE HATH MADE HERSELF
READY.”**

(Revelation 19:7)

Notice it says HIS WIFE has made herself ready. This is not a play on words, for the consummation took place AT REGENERATION. Just as the bride of Adam came from only the RIB of Adam (a very small part of his body, and very close to HIS HEART), so too the bride of Christ is **only a small part of His body, and very close**

to His heart of Divine Agape, for they also have a new heart of Divine Agape. To make this more understandable, view it in this manner. We could say that CONVERSION is espousal or engagement, and they are fiancées. **At regeneration the fiancée becomes a BRIDE** and enters into the act of marriage. Christ coming into the human heart is His act of marriage. It completes the wedding contract.

Israel is always considered the wife of Jehovah God. God the father is their husband. Christ, on the other hand, came to earth to select out a bride, and thus MANY ARE CALLED, FEW ARE CHOSEN. There are many fiancées, but only a few become BRIDES. Many of the fiancées of Christ are UNFAITHFUL. They will not do as commanded. It will be proven to be so from Scripture in another Chapter. The faithful undergo full transition into FULLNESS. It does not occur until the wedding feast itself. Therefore:

BRIDE = WIFE

All the wives now wait for the final call, that is, the rapture/resurrection for the remainder of their **wedding supper**. Remember the parable of the wedding supper? Where Christ comes to the believers in the lowest room and tells them to go up higher? It is these real Christians, which had no seats of honor in THIS WORLD, but will take the places of the fake preachers, teachers and evangelists, who will be kicked out of their seats of honor!!

The bride making herself ready also refers to the final completion of all the regenerated in the Church age. When that last final regenerated Christian happens, the bride will be ready, the door will open and they will be

translated into Heaven. All the rest stay behind to undergo the wrath of God.

Those espoused to Christ who never came to regeneration are foolish virgins. Those who did go in unto regeneration are the wise virgins. **All the BRIDES have on their WEDDING ROBES, WHICH ARE THE ROBES OF DIVINE AGAPE LOVE.** They alone enter into the final festivities and attend the wedding feast. All the rest are shut out.

In the parable of the marriage for the Son (Matthew 22:2-14), we find a confirmation of the five wise and five foolish virgins. It shows us the difference between saved and unsaved believers.

“The kingdom of heaven is like unto a certain king (God), which made a marriage for his son (Christ),

And sent forth HIS SERVANTS (THE PROPHETS) to call them which WERE BIDDEN (ISRAEL) to the WEDDING (REGENERATION): and THEY WOULD NOT COME.

Again, he sent forth OTHER SERVANTS (THE DISCIPLES), saying, Tell them which are bidden (ISRAEL AND THE CHURCH), Behold, I have prepared my dinner:

my oxen and my fatlings are killed, and ALL THINGS ARE READY: come UNTO THE MARRIAGE (REGENERATION).

But THEY MADE LIGHT OF IT, and went THEIR WAYS (THERE IS A WAY THAT SEEMETH RIGHT UNTO A MAN, THE BROAD WAY, THE PARABLE OF THE SOWER), one to his farm, another to his merchandise:

And the remnant (The Sadducees and Pharisees) took his servants (the apostles and disciples of the true church), and entreated them spitefully, and slew them.

But when the King heard thereof, he was wroth: and he sent forth his armies, and destroyed those murderers, and burned up their city (the taking of Jerusalem A.D. 70).

Then saith he to his servants (the true church), The wedding is ready, but they which were bidden WERE NOT WORTHY (ISRAEL IS BLINDED and others who refused).

Go ye therefore into the highways, and as many as ye shall find, bid to the marriage. (The church goes worldwide; the Gospel goes to the Gentiles).

So those servants went out into the highways, and gathered together ALL AS MANY AS THEY FOUND, BOTH BAD AND GOOD: (WORKS OF RIGHTEOUSNESS replaced by GRACE) and the wedding was furnished with guests.

**And when the King came in to see the guests,
he saw there a man (who represents the many)
which had not on a wedding garment:**

**And he saith unto him, Friend (God is the
friend of man because of the reconciliation
work of Christ on the cross), how camest thou
IN HITHER NOT HAVING A WEDDING
GARMENT? (AGAPE LOVE ROBE OF
REGENERATION)
And he was speechless.**

**Then said the king unto the servants, Bind him
HAND AND FOOT, AND TAKE HIM AWAY.
AND CAST HIM INTO OUTER DARKNESS;
THERE SHALL BE WEEPING AND
GNASHING OF TEETH.**

**FOR MANY ARE CALLED, BUT FEW ARE
CHOSEN.”
(Matthew 22:12-14)**

Who was the mystery man at the wedding feast? None other than a symbol of the “many”, for Christ links the man with “many are called but few are chosen”. The many had on robes, but evidently not **AGAPE LOVE WEDDING ROBES**. They had on the **ROBE OF FAITH**, and had responded to the call to come to the dinner. They had faith in Christ; in fact **they made their faith into Christ himself**. Faith became their God. They were cast out of the Feast. The only wedding garment allowed is the **robe of Divine Agape, the righteousness of the saints**. This is a parable of the first of a number of judgments. First is this division, then the wheat must go into the BEMA SEAT JUDGMENT. There will be more on that later.

Faith is not Jesus Christ. Faith is only a dynamic that propels you through the narrow way to FIND THE LIVING CHRIST, as we will explore later. Many are called to the wedding, but only a few with Agape robes will be allowed to remain. All others will be forcefully ejected. It is only the **BRIDE OF CHRIST** that remains. They were faithful unto soul death; they were faithful unto marriage. The rest were unfaithful, and went after other Gods (idols).

CHAPTER TEN

THE PARABLE OF THE SOWER

The parable of the sower sheds much light on why the vast majority of Christians never become the TRUE BRIDE OF CHRIST. It helps explain what is meant by the wide gate, the strait gate, the narrow way and the broad way. It is found in Matthew 13:18-23. Read it very carefully.

“...Behold, a sower went forth to sow;

and when he had sowed, SOME SEEDS FELL BY THE WAY SIDE, and the fowls came and devoured them up:

SOME FELL UPON STONY PLACES, where they had not much earth: and forthwith they sprung up, because they HAD NO DEEPNESS OF EARTH:

And when the sun was up, they were scorched; and BECAUSE THEY HAD NO ROOT, they WITHERED AWAY.

And some **FELL UPON THORNS**; and the
THORNS SPRUNG UP, AND CHOKED
THEM:
But other **FELL INTO GOOD GROUND**, and
brought forth **FRUIT**, some an
hundredfold, some sixtyfold, some thirtyfold.

WHO HATH EARS TO HEAR, LET HIM
HEAR.”

(Matthew 13:3-9)

This parable contains all the keys to **PSEUDO-SALVATION** and why the many are rejected. Notice that there are four types of ground. The ground is the human mind. The parable is how various people **RESPOND TO THE GOSPEL CALL**. Please understand that **ALL PEOPLE IN THE PARABLE DO RESPOND**. They do heed the call, and they are all believers, disciples and followers of Christ. The seed is the **WORD OF GOD**, so stated by Christ Himself. Many attempt to claim that the seed is authentic salvation, and that all are saved, something totally contradicted by Christ. It is a fabrication of the false prophets, to lull the seekers into sleep.

All of the people in the parable are **BELIEVERS, AND ARE ALL UNSAVED** at the beginning. Only one group will respond properly and **GO ON TO PRODUCE THE FRUIT OF REGENERATION**. You must read the parable carefully. We have four types of ground:

WAYSIDE
STONY PLACES
THORNS
GOOD GROUND

As we go through the parable, take note of the key words of Christ and how they are spoken.

1. THE WAYSIDE

The wicked one (Satan) comes and devours them up. In Luke 8:5 it reads: 'and the fowls of the air devoured it.' In Luke 8:12 the fowls are identified as the devil. In Revelation 18:2 we find a reference to 'hateful birds' or DEMONS. Notice that the demons come quickly; ready to pounce, ready to grab the Word out of the mind so it is not understood.

2. STONY PLACES – NO EARTH, NO ROOT.

There is no depth of mind, no depth of heart. The Bible often refers to such people as simple, or foolish. There is apparently no real commitment or ability to search the Word of God out for real truth, to introspect, to question, to compare. They simply refuse to make the commitment Christ demands of them. When the Sun comes up (fire) it scorches them, and they wither away. The Sun is fire, and the fire represents THEIR FAITH TRIED BY FIRE. Their faith does not stand; they cannot take the heat.

3. THE THORNS – THE CARES OF THIS WORLD.

The thorns represent the cares and pleasure of this life here on earth. Satan conquers by deception, and the heart of deception is DIVERSION. Satan diverts people from the strait gate and narrow way by the cares and pleasures of life. The Christian is diverted by the many forms of Christian entertainment, etc. These people cannot leave the world to find Christ. They want both Christ and the world. You cannot serve both God and mammon. A

choice must be made. These believers cannot make the choice, so they are choked off.

4. THE GOOD GROUND – THE FRUIT OF REBIRTH.

Good ground has depth of soul, for roots to grow and get nutrients (seeking after wisdom). Water remains at great depth, allowing the plants to flourish even in draught. As the root goes down in search of TRUTH, it becomes established. These plants go on to produce fruits, for they abide in the water of truth, and they obtain the fruit of LIFE.

JESUS INTERPRETS THE PARABLE

“Now the parable is this: THE SEED IS THE WORD OF GOD.”
(Luke 8:11)

We must believe Jesus and reject the false prophets, no matter how many divinity degrees they claim to hold. Jesus states clearly the seed is **ONLY THE WORD OF GOD.**

1. THE WAYSIDE – A FAILURE TO HEED

“Those by the way side ARE THEY THAT HEAR; then cometh the devil, and TAKETH AWAY THE WORD OUT OF THEIR HEARTS, LEST THEY SHOULD BELIEVE AND BE SAVED.”
(Luke 8:12)

These people are believers, and they hear the word. The problem is they do not UNDERSTAND IT, OR TAKE

IT TO HEART. They tend to forget it right after hearing it, or they simply cannot make head nor tail out of what Scripture says. They respond to the Word, but they do not retain the Word. Our churches are full of such people. They are nice, very sincere folks, but their understanding of the Word is almost nil. They know and recognize Jesus as Messiah, but it stops right there. Jesus is blunt: **THEY ARE NOT SAVED.**

2. THE STONY GROUND – THE COLD HEART

“But he that received the seed into stony places, the same is he that HEARETH THE WORD, AND ANON WITH JOY RECEIVETH IT; YET HATH HE NOT ROOT IN HIMSELF, BUT DURETH FOR A WHILE: FOR WHEN TRIBULATION OR PERSECUTION ARISETH BECAUSE OF THE WORD, BY AND BY HE IS OFFENDED.”
(Matthew 13:20-21)

(COMPARE ALSO LUKE 8:13 FOR DIFFERENCES)

Here we have believers and followers of Jesus who hear the word and WITH GREAT JOY THEY RECEIVE IT. The word for “anon” is ‘euthus’ and it means **AT ONCE, INSTANTLY, IMMEDIATELY OR FORTHWITH.** In other words, as soon as they hear the word they MAKE AN INSTANT DECISION FOR CHRIST AND THEY LAY HOLD OF ALL OF THE POSITIVE PROMISES OF THE GOSPEL.

People only respond with joy at POSITIVE NEWS.

The only way one can lay hold of the Word instantly is by an **instant act of faith. They make a decision in their mind.** These people have immediate faith and belief in the Gospel. They claim all of the positive aspects of redemption and salvation with great joy. They claim them as theirs, thus they believe and affirm they are **the sons of God by an immediate decision for Christ.**

The word “joy” is ‘chara’ and it means **with great joy, delight, great gladness, with exceeding joy and happiness.** Their response is an emotional response to the Gospel call, and they **claim instant salvation on the basis of the word of God.** They take certain promises of scripture and embrace them and appropriate them for themselves. They read words like ‘faith’ and ‘belief’ and redefine what those words mean, and convert them over to a decision, an **instant moment** of faith. They embrace AS TRUE all the POSITIVE aspects of Scripture.

These believers grasp all the essential points of salvation and claim them as their own. They accept all the promises of the Bible by an instant faith and belief system that gives them great joy. Everything is positive, everything is instant, and nothing is allowed that is negative. All negative thought, all negative belief, and all doubts are branded as satanic attacks.

They must have recognized from their mind their **need** for a savior, because otherwise they would not have embraced the Gospel. The implication here is severe indeed. Their repentance is also instant and only skin

deep. It is an emotional repentance, of the soul man, of the flesh. It is mental and not of the **INNER** heart. These people go forward with deep emotion and cry tears of joy at their 'DECISION FOR CHRIST', in which they are told that **Christ is in them and union has occurred.** They embrace their so-called 'salvation' and 'born again' experience as being valid and true. **What else could bring such immediate joy?**

Jesus, however, **condemns them,** and this is why. They embrace with great joy only positive news, since bad news or harsh news does not bring joy, but sorrow. Does Jesus have a negative aspect to His salvation message? Is there a very negative aspect to the Gospel? Is there something within the message of Christ that these people are refusing to hear, **SUCH AS ENTER YE IN AT THE STRAIT GATE, AND WALK THE NARROW WAY?**

Is that why Christ accuses them of having no root? Do the negative aspects of the strait gate and narrow way actually give the Christian HIS ROOTS? Remember that roots that go deep establish the plant. Is entering the gate and walking the way that which makes us ESTABLISHED? Is this the root that actually brings the fruit of UNION WITH CHRIST? What if we IGNORE or DENY the negative aspects of the Gospel? What if we removed them by FALSE THEOLOGY? Does it bring eternal ruin?

Jesus affirms that looking only at the positive aspects of the salvation message will damn one in the end, for they have no root, no established INNER heart! The root of the person is THEIR INNER SPIRIT MAN. If Christ states the positive does not give us roots, then it can only be the negative that gives us the roots we need, thus:

**IMMEDIATE ACCEPTANCE = NO ROOT
ALL POSITIVE, ALL JOY = NO ROOT.**

We can and must by these comments of Christ eliminate the positive affirmations as establishing the root of the real Christian. There are only two aspects of the commands of Christ, positive and negative. As Christ removes the positive for root building, then the negative **MUST BE** what brings the real believer into union. We have no options whatever. Therefore:

**Patience and diligence vs. immediate / instant
Long-term trial vs. instant decision
Negative brings root vs. positive no root
THEREFORE:
SERIOUS PATIENCE / EARNEST DILIGENCE
VS.
IMMEDIATE AND INSTANT JOY**

Jesus states they accept the positive verses of Scripture by instant faith and instant belief. There is no other way to accept anything in your mind. You either accept it by faith and believe it is true, or you reject it. However, these people embrace the Gospel promises immediately for themselves, and proclaim themselves saved and heaven bound by an act of their own mind without finishing the process! It brings immediate joy and relief. It is all positive. The words 'faith' and 'belief' are twisted to the very reverse of what they actually mean.

**“Yet hath he not ROOT IN HIMSELF,
but dureth for A WHILE: for when
TRIBULATION or PERSECUTION
ARISETH**

**BECAUSE OF THE WORD,
by and by he is OFFENDED.”
(Matthew 13:21)**

Notice they have NO ROOT. The word “root” is ‘rhiza’ and it means **stability, established, trustworthy**. In Psalm 145:18 it says:

**“The Lord is nigh unto all men that CALL
UPON HIM,
TO ALL THAT CALL UPON HIM
IN TRUTH.”**

The word “truth” is ‘emeth’ and it means **ESTABLISHED, STABILITY, TRUSTWORTHY**. The root of the word is ‘aman’ and it means **to build up, to establish, firm, steadfast, permanent, of long continence, sure**. It means to continue, to abide in, to remain in, to be steadfast in the search for ‘the truth’. The very word truth does not imply something instant or immediate, which is why Christ condemns these people with the stony heart.

It is NOT true that “all who call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved”, with no qualifiers. We can prove it, because we see many Christians sent away into eternal ruin, and **ALL OF THEM CALLED UPON THE NAME OF THE LORD. There is a huge conditional qualifier to what calling on the name of the Lord means: you must call IN TRUTH.** Inasmuch as Jesus said the only entrance to heaven was via the strait gate and narrow way, then obviously the qualifier **in truth means only those that enter in via the strait gate!**

If a person refuses, they have not called upon the name of the Lord IN TRUTH. They have called, but not in the way Jesus demands. Do these folks design a theology that allows them an immediate entrance into heaven's gates and it is this theology a correct one? Christ says they fall away. Obedience to Christ means doing ALL commands of Christ, NEGATIVE AND POSITIVE.

These people become offended by the Word of God when tribulation comes. This tribulation is not always outward, but also inward as a tribulation of the soul. **It is the ministry of the Holy Spirit to convict of sin, righteousness and judgment, hardly a positive move by God.** It should be said that to be reprov'd 'IN TRUTH' is not pleasant at all, but very nasty and very negative. **The reproof of God is so negative that Jesus said very few would actually undergo it!** They fall away as soon as the process begins. They claim Satan is attacking them, and all negatives are thrown out as satanic attacks! They reject the Holy Spirit and say it is a devil!

1. When real honest conviction of the Holy Spirit comes upon them, and the real process of judgment begins, they refuse it. They believe they are already saved, already have union and already have Divine Agape. Therefore they think any doubts or any negative convictions must be from SATAN. They have found LIFE at the very beginning of their journey, and they work hard to perfect that love and life they claim they have.

Their theology tells them they are already saved, and their decision for Christ was all

there was to it. Their entire theology is based upon the fact that they are already saved and going to heaven, therefore any negative feelings, doubts or convictions are instantly branded SATANIC. The Holy Spirit is thus rejected, and they go into eternal ruin all because of a theology of the false prophets! They were never saved at all and never had life at all.

2. Any doubts whatever, as to their true standing before Christ, are branded satanic in origin. They are told by their false teachers that doubt is the opposite of faith, and doubt is classified as unbelief by their theology. Unbelief is a sin against God. The Holy Spirit's attempt to bring them into true judgment and His rebuke is ignored. The millions therefore go into eternal ruin. These poor souls are so deceived by their theology that they believe they are being obedient to God while they are in RANK DISOBEDIENCE the whole time.

3. The next thing Jesus is telling us here is that their instant faith and belief system is so surface that it opens them up to a wide range of satanic deception. Their theology is in such grave error they are now going to entrap themselves deeper and ever deeper into disobedience. They are only going to lay hold of all the positive promises of the Scripture. They are going to lay hold of the 'inheritance'. They will claim 'gifts of the Spirit' and 'victory over sin'. They claim the 'promised land'. They are

the bastard sons who refuse the reproof of the Lord,

WHO ENTER THE SHEEPFOLD ‘SOME OTHER WAY’.

They worship Jesus Christ, **but their hearts are stone cold**, far removed from being touched by the conviction and reproof of God. They will not come to the light of Divine Agape Love. They will not have their deeds reproofed by the light of Agape. They die in their trespasses and sins.

Is it possible that the positive aspects of scripture only come into effect after one has undergone the negative? That spiritual attainment is no different from attainment of the good things in this life? THAT ANYTHING WORTH HAVING IS NOT EASILY ATTAINED?

What would happen if you went to a major university for the medical profession and told the Board that you wanted your degree RIGHT NOW? That you did not want to go through any of that NEGATIVE STUFF, like study, burning the midnight oil, internship and hard work that a degree entails? Would they give you a degree or throw you out on your ear? Does not the negative TRIAL OF YOUR FAITH come **PRIOR** to the gift of the degree? **Is it possible that the award of a sheepskin DEGREE of Divine Agape and true union with Christ must be preceded by the negative commands of the Bible? Your answer determines your eternal destiny.**

Do we get wisdom at the snap of the fingers? Could it be that true wisdom only comes by a severe testing of our

faith? That perhaps unless we submit to the commands of Christ, God will not allow us to graduate? That instead of a degree in eternal life, we end up a failure forever in eternal ruin? What makes us think that when we are dealing with God we can demand instant access to heaven? **The Bible proves that true faith and true belief are not instant at all, and that this concept of instant faith and belief is a fabrication of the false prophets that Christ warned us about.**

Does one ever consider that God might consider them as arrogant FOOLS whose only fate, short of full repentance, is eternal fire? Do they think God might consider them **ONE OF THE MANY**? The instant faith, immediate joy movement is a **positive affirmation of the utter arrogance and spiritual destitution of man. It upholds Christ on one hand, and utterly denies him on the other, and is a precise fulfillment of the prophecies of Peter and Christ.**

Our very salvation depends upon how we answer those questions. They can only be answered by the harsh words of Scripture. In any event, we can prove these people have no root whatever, and they fall away into eternal ruin. They are swept away by their instant theology.

3. THE THORNS – DOUBLE MINDED

**“He also that received seed among the thorns is he THAT HEARETH THE WORD; AND the care of this world, AND THE DECEITFULNESS OF RICHES, CHOKE THE WORD, AND HE BECOMETH UNFRUITFUL.”
(Matthew 13:22)**

**“And that which fell among the thorns are
they,
WHICH, WHEN THEY HAVE HEARD, GO
FORTH,
AND ARE CHOKED
WITH THE CARES AND RICHES AND
PLEASURES
OF THIS LIFE,
AND BRING NO FRUIT TO PERFECTION.”
(Luke 8:14)**

These people hear the Word, and begin to grow in the word. But the cares of this life and the concerns of this life choke out the word, so that it dies and never comes to the fruit of perfection, which is AGAPE LOVE BESTOWMENT. They are in effect double minded. They want Christ and heaven, but they are not willing to pay the price to obtain it. **Although salvation is a free gift, Jesus said it would cost everything to obtain it.**

Satan moves in on these people and DIVERTS their attention to the routines of life. They do NOT CONTINUE, and do not abide in His doctrines. No fruit is brought to perfection, and our perfecting is in Christ. **THEY NEVER MEET CHRIST; THERE IS NO ACTUAL UNION WITH CHRIST.** Their religion is in vain, of non-effect.

These folks are Christians, but they are double-minded Christians. They have one foot in the world, another in Christ. They will not leave the world long enough to find THE LIVING CHRIST, nor will they abide in the doctrines of Jesus Christ long enough to come to regeneration. They are lost and go into eternal ruin.

This was the primary reason for the Church of Laodicea going into eternal ruin. They had become worldly, diverting their attention from obtaining AUTHENTIC salvation. This church is the last days church; a church full of false theology, false prophets, instant salvation and instant union. They are a joyful church, and they are deceived by turning to the diversions the world has to offer.

The early church warned Christians not to get involved in the affairs of this world, for they knew that the fight to extricate oneself from it was all that a soul could do! The true Church has never been a comfort to the world, nor could it be, for their message condemns the world! Their message is about overcoming the primary obstacles that one must overcome to inherit eternal life!

“Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world.

**If any man love the world, the (AGAPE)
LOVE of the Father is not in him.”
(1 John 2:15)**

**“For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?”
(Mark 8:36)**

4. THE GOOD GROUND – SALVATION

**“BUT THAT ON THE GOOD GROUND ARE
THEY,
WHICH IN AN HONEST AND GOOD
HEART,
HAVING HEARD THE WORD,
KEEP IT,**

**AND BRING FORTH FRUIT WITH
PATIENCE.”**
(Luke 8:15)

Those on the good ground keep the word. The word “keep” is ‘katecho’ and it means **TO HOLD FAST, INTENSITY OF PURPOSE**. Christ also says that the fruit is produced **ONLY BY PATIENCE**. The word “patience” is ‘hupomone’ and it means **endurance, consistency, continuing, to remain in, to undergo, to bear trials, to have fortitude, to suffer, to hold up in long patience**. It carries with it the identical meaning to become established, to seek the Lord in **TRUTH**.

Those that are diligent will be those who find the Lord. Those that are not will go into ruin. Only those with this patience bear the fruit of regeneration, the fruit of agape love. The fruit does not come until after the enduring, just fruit in the orchard only ripens after season or certain amount of time. The fruit does not come until after one has shown he/she is steadfast. We then have a valid contrast we must make:

**“But he that RECEIVED seed into the good
ground
is he that HEARETH THE WORD, AND
UNDERSTANDETH IT; which also
BEARETH FRUIT...”**
(Matthew 13:23)

Thus we learn here a little and there a little. Notice the word “received”, which in the Greek is ‘paradechomai’ and it means to **accept, to admit to, to approve of, to take to heart, to admit the truth of**. Is this not what the confession of our real sin is? Must we **agree with God**

and his reproof of us, which can only be done via the narrow way,

BEFORE **WE ARE SAVED?**

The word “understand” is ‘suneimi’ and it means **to put together, to understand, to comprehend**. In other words, the people of the good ground read the Word, meditate upon the Word, put it together and begin to understand what Christ demands. Over the course of time, they become established, and the Holy Spirit begins to do His work of conviction of the real problem of the human heart, which is the utter lack of DIVINE AGAPE LOVE. If they allow this to continue, they will FIND THE TRUTH, that is

THE MYSTERY OF GOD.

Only the fourth group, on the good ground, has the diligence and patience required, and Jesus says they go on to bear the fruit of REGENERATION, and then only with difficulty.

**“And if the righteous SCARCELY BE SAVED,
where shall the UNGODLY and
the sinner appear?”
(1 Peter 4:18)**

The word “scarcely” is ‘molis’ and it means **with much work, with great difficulty, hardly able**. This sounds very much like Psalm 145:18 and the word **TRUTH**. It sounds very much like the strait gate and narrow way of Jesus Christ. Is this why Christ ordered us to **STRIVE TO ENTER THE STRAIT GATE?**

This sounds like a **NEGATIVE GOSPEL, but it brings over time** a very positive event – **regeneration**. Scripture proves it to be true. It sounds very much like the direct opposite of the instant joy salvation crowd that Christ condemns. Please note that they all had faith, belief and responded to the Gospel call. Only the good ground people respond **IN THE PROPER MANNER**, and only the good ground ones are saved in the end.

The parable of the sower shows us the **OBSTACLES OF THE STRAIT GATE**, and the **NARROW WAY**. The obstacles of Satan and his demons, of false instant salvation, and the cares and pleasures of this world must be overcome in order to find the real truth behind life, which is Jesus Christ and His **agape love essence**. This parable confirms the concept of a ‘way’, which means a pathway, highway or journey that one must pass through. It confirms the word ‘strait’, which means **NARROW BECAUSE OF OBSTACLES IN THE WAY**. It confirms the word ‘narrow’, which means full of agony and anguish, full of trouble and pain of the inward soul as the Spirit works to **SHOW THE DESTITUTION OF THE INNER HEART**.

This parable begins to show us what Jesus meant when He said **BELIEVE** and have **FAITH**. The faith **OF** Jesus was a long term steadfastness, far removed from the instant faith gospel of modern Christianity. Christ follows this parable with another to prove that He meant what He said. He sharply divides up believers into two main camps; **THE WHEAT AND THE TARES**. We will find that the wheat represents the real, authentic born again believer, and the tares are bastard sons, who claim a regeneration they do not possess. They neither know the Son or God the Father. Their father is Satan, and

Satan sows them among the true Church to deceive the unwary seeker after Christ.

The tares are the false church, the false teachers and false prophets. These are the ones that Peter and Christ warned would come, and who would uphold Christ and appear as Christians, but they would not be Christians. They would be impostors, liars, and deceivers.

**“Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man WHICH SOWED GOOD SEED IN HIS FIELD...”
(Matthew 13:24)**

We know from the previous parable that the seed is the Word of God, and in this case the seed represents those of the good ground, the souls of those to be saved with patience. The field is the world. This is another parable about response to the Word. Only a certain portion of the world will respond at all to the Word. Of those that DO RESPOND, only a small portion (the few, the WHEAT), respond correctly. Christ is now going to outline what He meant by His statement about the FALSE PROPHETS who will mislead millions of Christians and sweep them into eternal ruin.

The false prophets are not sheep; they only dress like sheep. They are ‘lookalikes’, satanic plants who are dupes, but who nevertheless come in with false doctrines designed to mislead the seekers of heaven and keep them away from true regeneration. False Christians are referred to as **tares**. The real true born again, or soon to be born again believers, are the **wheat**. In relationship to the parable of the sower, those of the wayside, stony ground and thorns are tares; for they never do leave

Satan's dominion. They are all in the body of Christ, they are all considered by Christ as part of Him. The wheat are of the good ground.

**“But while men slept, the enemy came and SOWED TARES AMONG THE WHEAT, and went his way.”
(Matthew 13:25)**

Notice that Satan sows the tares **AMONG THE WHEAT**, or that is **WITHIN THE CHURCH**. As the true Church is the wheat, then Christ is telling us that the lookalike tares are dropped **RIGHT IN THE MIDST OF THE CHURCH**. Tares look just like wheat. Only close examination will reveal the difference. The tares are the ‘many’, and the wheat are the ‘few’. The tares are on the broad road of false Christian theology and doctrine, while the few have entered in at the strait gate. Thus combined together, the wheat and tares form the **BODY OF CHRIST ON EARTH**.

Satan and his angels of light come in with their false doctrines, but because these doctrines are **VERY CLOSE** to true doctrine the unwary **NEVER SEE THE DIFFERENCE**. So we have a host of people that look like Christians, act like Christians, and who present what seems to be pure Christian doctrine. They have huge churches and large followings according to Peter and Paul.

Satan is their real father, but they claim that God is their Father. Satan still has dominion over them, and they will never escape that dominion. They are the ‘many’ on the broad road, and Satan has influence/dominion over the broad road because these people never do come into **UNION** with Christ. In other words, although they are in

the Body of Christ, they NEVER COME TO UNION, and because they never come to union, they cannot enter heaven, and are swept away. **THE TARES ARE THE BASTARD SONS WHO CLAIM THE KINGDOM UNLAWFULLY.**

Broad road people are in reality the enemy of Christ, because they refuse to do His commands. Not only do they refuse, they prevent others from coming in as well, by their broad road doctrines and rituals. Satan is the enemy of Christ. These people, even though in the Body of Christ (among the wheat), are placed there by Satan for the sole purpose of deceiving others into eternal ruin. Satan knows that most of mankind has a herd instinct, and will follow after their leaders, and never check things out for themselves.

“But when the blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also.

So the servants of the householder came and said unto him, Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field? From whence then hath it tares?

He said unto them, AN ENEMY HATH DONE THIS. The servants said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up?

But he said, Nay; lest while you gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them.

**LET BOTH GROW TOGETHER UNTIL THE HARVEST:
AND IN THE TIME OF HARVEST
I will say to the reapers, **GATHER YE UP TOGETHER FIRST THE TARES,** and bind**

**them in bundles to burn them: BUT GATHER
THE WHEAT INTO MY BARN.”**
(Matthew 13:26-30)

Christ is saying that He will wait until the TIME OF THE HARVEST, and at that time He will judge those who call themselves ‘in Christ’. This tells us when the ‘many’ will be judged, and it is the TARES who are **JUDGED FIRST**, and bound up and taken to the fires of the place of torments. **THEY ARE THE BRANCHES THAT ARE BURNED IN JOHN 15:2**. Will all believers, both good and evil, be resurrected at the same time, and the evil ones separated immediately and cast away? In spite of modern prophetic interpretation, it appears the answer is **YES**.

Many attempt to claim that the tares are unbelievers, or the whole world. That could not be the case because tares look like wheat. These are imitations of the real thing. The Church is in the **WHOLE WORLD**. The Body of Christ is around the world. Within that body (**AMONG THE BODY OF CHRISTIANS**) are both wheat and tares. There are a multitude of rapture/resurrection concepts on the shelves of modern Christian theology, but Scripture says there is only **ONE** correct one.

Unbelievers are not in view here at all, only those who profess Jesus Christ as their Lord. The earth is filled with unbelievers who will undergo their own judgment **AFTER** Christ has removed the Body of Christ from earth. Yet here it says clearly the **tares are judged first**.

Scripture will prove out that immediately after the resurrection/rapture of the **ENTIRE CHURCH**, an immediate judgment is made concerning the **TRUE**

AND FALSE CHURCH. **This is phase one of the judgment seat of Christ.** This is where the many are sent away into eternal ruin. This is where Christ says to them **'I never knew you'**. The door of heaven is shut to them. The basis of entrance was **REGENERATION**, and they never obtained it. They were never born again, which Christ said **MUST HAPPEN**, and thus are discarded and sent to the fires for burning.

It is going to be a very sad day for the **VAST MAJORITY OF CHRISTIANS**. JUST AS JESUS CLASSIFIED BELIEVERS AS OBEDIENT AND DISOBEDIENT, AT THE JUDGMENT THEY ARE CALLED WHEAT OR TARES.

Remember that judgment **BEGINS** at the house of the Lord. There is the preliminary judgment of the narrow way, which separates the **TRUE FROM THE FALSE**. Both the wheat and the tares claimed to be in the house of the Lord. Thus the initial judgment, as to **WHO LAID HOLD OF DIVINE AGAPE LOVE AND WHO DID NOT MUST BEGIN HERE**. Why else would Christ send them away? **THE MANY ARE ALL CHRISTIANS. THEY ARE IN THE BODY OF CHRIST, AND THEY WILL ALL BE RESURRECTED ALONG WITH THE BRIDE**, or at least it seems that way. The 'many' are the very first ones to undergo **severe judgment**, and they are sent away to the fires to await the great white throne judgment, which is yet a thousand years away. This would be phase one of the judgment of God's people. Yet there are several unanswered questions here that demand further study.

After this initial separation of the wheat and tares, and the wheat is taken into the barn; the remainder of Christians enter the **BEMA** seat judgment of Christ for

their rewards, and enjoy the MARRIAGE SUPPER, FOR THEY ARE THE BRIDE OF CHRIST. Phase two would then be for rewards only, because the **remainder had Divine Agape bestowment**. They had in truth been born again, and had **UNION** with the Son. After this initial separation judgment is over, the judgment of the Earth will begin, which is a judgment of all Christ rejecters, the unbelievers or those known as the heathen.

Notice also that the wheat and tares grow together throughout the church age. Christ does not come and stop the process, for avoiding deception is part of the screening out process. Christ is in the process of weeding out the real diligent seekers from the nominal seeker. That is why He said we must STRIVE to enter in at the strait gate. That is why Jesus warned us to **BEWARE OF THE FALSE PROPHETS**, who would bring in 'look alike' doctrines and theology that would be 99% accurate, but would still lead into eternal ruin.

It is only the 'very elect' that will know the difference, and **then only with careful diligence**. The BRIDE is made up only of those who have come to regeneration and those who will obtain it. These are written in the Lamb's Book of Life. All others are not written there, and they will not ever occupy heaven, for they are judged prior to that. The false church, who were considered to be in the Body of Christ, never did come to regeneration, and thus are sent away.

CHRIST DEFINES WHAT THIS MEANS/NOT JUST AN INTERPRETATION BY MAN

“He answered and said unto them, He that soweth the good seed is the Son of man;

**The field is the world; the good seed are the
CHILDREN OF THE KINGDOM; but the
TARES
ARE THE CHILDREN OF THE WICKED
ONE.”**
(Matthew 13:37-38)

Now we have confirmation of our answer. Christ spreads the Word to the four corners of the globe, or the world. That is the field. There is a response to the word of God (the seed). Those who respond form the Body of Christ. Within the Body of Christ are two types of people: THE TRUE SEEKERS AND THE FALSE SEEKERS. The wheat keep the ‘sayings of Jesus’ and DO THEM (OBEDIENCE), however the tares do NOT keep His sayings, and DO NOT DO THEM (DISOBEDIENCE). The true seed is called wheat, because the Word of God will not return unto Him void, but will accomplish the purpose that God has in mind. The tares are the false lookalikes, whose father is Satan, but **who are ‘religious ones’**. **They have the religion of Cain.**

The tares respond to the Word, but they are on the wayside, stony ground or thorns, and never keep the sayings of Jesus and never obey His commands to enter in via the strait gate. They claim to be Christians; they look, act and sound like Christians; but they ARE NOT. **It is the false church, the synagogue of Satan.** They are scattered among the real regenerated Christians.

**“The enemy that sowed them IS THE DEVIL;
the harvest is the END OF THE WORLD; and
the reapers are the angels.**

**As therefore the TARES ARE GATHERED
AND BURNED IN THE FIRE; so**

shall it be in the end of this world.

**The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather OUT OF HIS KINGDOM all things THAT OFFEND, and them which do INIQUITY.”
(Matthew 13:39-41)**

Notice that Christ says ‘**out of his kingdom**’. Now the Kingdom of Christ is the Kingdom of Heaven. HIS RETURN TO EARTH TO RECLAIM IT HAS NOT YET OCCURRED. We know that the judgment begins at the house of the Lord. At the resurrection/rapture of all of His believers/followers and disciples, Christ will FIRST separate out all those that offend and them that do iniquity. Is that not what Christ said to the MANY? Did He not say that their works were INIQUITY? This is the separation process in the House of the Lord. The many are severed out of the Body of Christ immediately. This is where Christ vomits them out of His mouth. They are cancer, they are poison, and they caused millions of Christians throughout the entire Church age to go astray. Thus Christ gathers them up first, casts them out, and the remaining Christians go into heaven with Christ for their rewards.

Those that do ‘iniquity’ are those **that did all of their works without Divine Agape**, which fulfills the law of God. They did not understand that they had to walk the narrow way to obtain it. They merely claimed it by an act of faith, and then went about ‘doing good’. The problem is that **one does not obtain agape by an act of faith or belief**. It is simply not done that way. It has nothing to do with faith or belief directly. Because they did not realize that, all of their works were done in natural phileo love,

which Christ branded as 'evil', and thus they were workers of iniquity.

By laying hold of agape love, the authentic born again Christian works under the cloak and covering of Christ, because Agape Love **IS THE BASIS OF ALL RIGHT-EOUSNESS INCLUDING GOD**. He has entered into **THE REST OF GOD, AND IS COVERED BY THE LOVE OF GOD**. The tares did not understand that the commands of Christ to enter at the strait gate and to walk the narrow way **WERE THE ONLY WAY TO FIND AGAPE LOVE**. They built a theology that told them that they **HAD AGAPE LOVE** when in fact they did not. Thus their works were never done under the covering of Christ, and their works are works of **INIQUITY**. All of this is confirmed by John 15:

**“I am the true vine, and my Father is the
husbandman.
EVERY BRANCH IN ME
THAT BEARETH NOT FRUIT HE TAKETH
AWAY...
If a man **ABIDE NOT IN ME**, he is cast forth
as a branch, and is withered; and men gather
them, and cast them **IN TO THE FIRE,**

AND THEY ARE BURNED.”
(John 15:1, 6)**

These branches **ARE ALL IN CHRIST**, as He says “Every branch **IN ME**”. All branches are in the **BODY OF CHRIST**. The branches represent every believer, follower and disciple of Jesus Christ, be they wheat or tares, real or phony, and possessors or professors of the Agape Love of Christ.

Jesus then says that THOSE BRANCHES (individual Christians), who do not BEAR FRUIT, are TAKEN AWAY. The fruit Jesus is speaking of here is **AGAPE LOVE BESTOWMENT OR REGENERATION, FIRST OF ALL**, and further fruit afterwards. Those who do not bear this fruit are **BURNED IN THE FIRES**. That was the whole object of His prayer, that all believers, all followers, would **come into union with Him**. The union is the **‘first fruit’**, and from there the believer will be purged to **bear more fruit**.

Those of the wayside, the stony ground and the thorns, **NEVER BEAR FRUIT TO PERFECTION**. They never come to the **perfection of Christ**, which is **regeneration**; the first part in the **perfection of Christ**. This was the one thing missing from the ‘many’ (“I never knew you”). It was missing from those who had gifts of the Holy Spirit but not charity (agape love) and it was missing from the non-overcomers and all others in the parables. **The division line is the obtaining of Divine Agape.**

The tares never leave the dominion of Satan in spite of their professions of knowing Christ. They are under the deception of Satan and God allows it to be so, because they were disobedient to His Son. They did not keep His sayings, nor did they do the will of the Father. They did NOT study the Word; they did not ALLOW the Word to show them truth. Thus God allows them to fall under a delusion. Their worship is in vain, and it will profit them nothing. They draw near to Christ with their mouth and their head faith, but their hearts are far from Christ. **Their entire life was vanity.** They stand condemned by the very Lord they claimed they loved.

When bringing what we have together, we find a total harmony that is unmistakable. One could not misread what Christ is saying, and His 'saying' here is deadly to all Christians. **HE VAST MAJORITY ARE GOING TO ETERNAL RUIN.** To prove totally that the dividing line is indeed agape love, Christ says:

**“...and EVERY BRANCH THAT BEARETH
FRUIT, HE (GOD)
PURGETH IT,**

**THAT IT MAY BRING FORTH
MORE FRUIT.”**

(John 15:2)

If a person comes to **true union, true regeneration, true agape love bestowment**, then God is going to **PURGE THAT SOUL** to make it produce **more fruit for the kingdom**. In other words, **ONCE AGAPE LOVE FRUIT IS PRODUCED**, that soul is never cast into the fire to be burned, but is instead purged like gold and silver, so that all the impurities rise to the surface and can be scooped off. That process is **AFTER** the bestowment of agape love, and is not part of the initial quest to find the mystery of God. Jesus said this is true of **EVERY BRANCH** that comes to the fruit of agape love.

Jesus said that a little leaven in the loaf (the Body of Christ) leavens the whole loaf. Over time the leaven spreads and infects the entire loaf of bread. The leaven represents false doctrine, false theology and false prophetic interpretation, which leads to apostasy away from the **TRUTHS OF SCRIPTURE**. This apostasy leads to the **REDEFINITION** of key words used in Scripture. Faith, grace, conversion, regeneration, works and legalism are all **REDEFINED** so that the unwary do not find

the truth. That faith would be redefined is all too apparent:

**“...nevertheless when the SON OF MAN COMETH,
shall He FIND
FAITH ON THE EARTH?”
(Luke 18:8)**

The answer to this question of Christ's is NO, within the endtime visible Laodecian church. True biblical faith will have been REDEFINED by the false prophets. Only the FEW will have true biblical faith, while the 'many' will have a FALSE FAITH, WHICH IS NOT FAITH AT ALL. Their belief will not be an inner heart belief, even though it will be claimed it is.

They will redefine conversion, and call it regeneration and vice versa. Works will have been expanded in definition and grace will become utterly perverted by redefinition. THE WHOLE GROUP is then SWEEPED AWAY INTO ETERNAL RUIN. Peter said that the VAST MAJORITY of Christians would be swept away with all of these perversions of doctrine and theology, especially in the latter years, just before the return of Christ. The false teachers, preachers and evangelists would be very popular, and be embraced by almost the entire Body of Christ in spite of the warnings of the FEW who knew the truth.

Much of this redefinition occurs via dropping off all the conditions that Christ attached to His commands. The "ifs" the "ands" and the "buts" are dropped off and ignored. It will be claimed that there are no conditional phrases in Scripture. After all, they will say, God's love is unconditional, so it must be that way!

CHAPTER ELEVEN

APOSTATE DISCIPLES

There is yet another proof that the vast majority of Christians are swept away into eternal ruin. Paul tells us why the ‘many’ are swept away in the ‘latter days’ of the Church. **THIS WARNING IS DIRECTED RIGHT AT ALL OF US, SO HEED IT WELL.**

**“PREACH THE WORD; be instant in season,
out of season;
REPROVE, REBUKE, EXHORT
with all LONG-SUFFERING AND
DOCTRINE.”
(2 Timothy 4:2)**

This verse sets the stage for what Paul is about to say next. Who do you preach to? It is to BELIEVERS, FOLLOWERS and DISCIPLES. Notice that it says, REPROVE and REBUKE. That does not sound like ‘positive confessions’ or ‘with joy’. The word “long-suffering” is ‘makrothumeo’ and it means **with long endurance, to forebear over a long period of time, fortitude and to have great patience**. Notice that the reproof and rebuke are to come FROM DOCTRINE, i.e. from the Bible itself.

If one has to be constantly rebuked and reproved from the Bible, the implication is that the people have left the Bible and are wandering into false doctrine, false theology. This is one more proof that REAL salvation theology is not easily understood and digested by the heart of man. That is because of our rebellion against God. It's in our nature to reject or misunderstand what God is telling us. We also have help from Satan and his demon friends, who have a vested interest in our not understanding or accepting the word of God, or becoming discouraged and misled.

False theology is built from a misinterpretation of Scripture. It comes from a lack of research into the truth of God's Word. The implication is also that this false doctrine WILL BE POSITIVE IN NATURE. It will leave out all the negative aspects of the 'sayings of Jesus', but will instead focus only on the positive. Regardless, it is the SCRIPTURE THAT DOES THE REPROVING. If they will not accept it, they will go into eternal ruin:

“For the time WILL COME when they WILL NOT ENDURE SOUND DOCTRINE; but AFTER THEIR OWN LUSTS shall they heap to themselves TEACHERS, HAVING ITCHING EARS; AND THEY SHALL TURN AWAY THEIR EARS

FROM THE TRUTH,
AND SHALL BE TURNED UNTO FABLES.”
(2 Timothy 4:3-4)

Here we have yet another key as to why the ‘many’ are rejected of Christ. **THEY WILL NOT ENDURE SOUND DOCTRINE.** The word “endure” is ‘anechomai’ and it means **not put up with, not able to stand, not able to hear or to accept, not able to tolerate.** In other words, they **REFUSE THE JUDGMENT OF GOD;** they cannot accept or tolerate what the Bible says. Their minds become spiritually disqualified, spiritually reprobate. They will not, and cannot, stand to hear the **WHOLE TRUTH.** They will instead pick and choose what they will and will not accept. They pick that which is pleasant and positive, and which satisfies **their carnality (see parable of the sower).** All of the negative aspects of Christ’s commands are rejected out of hand. They are the stony ground people, who embrace all of the positive aspects of scripture by an act of faith.

Their ears are turned **away from the truth.** They will not accept, nor can they endure, anyone who tells them about the strait gate and narrow way that leads unto life. Their theology tells them they have life, truth, and Divine Agape. They will **REJECT** in a violent and angry way **ANYONE WHO BRINGS THE WHOLE TRUTH OF THE GOSPEL.** They will brand such a one a heretic, a false teacher, a liar, and even claim them accursed because they bring ‘**ANOTHER CHRIST, ANOTHER GOSPEL.**’. Their version of Christ is pleasant and positive. He tolerates all forms of disobedience, for He is full of mercy and grace. **Their gospel rejects the strait gate and narrow way out of hand,** and brands it a form of **works or legalism.**

Their gospel is a positive instant gospel, with instant joy of salvation and eternal security thrown in to boot as a bonus program to entice them. If you point out to them

anything whatever about this narrow 'way', or mention anything whatever of a strait gate, they refute it, dispute it and will not hear it. It is offensive to them; it is utterly false doctrine to them. It is a denial of their definitions of faith and grace. They cannot 'endure' the sound doctrine that saves them. They have turned away from the only method of true salvation, and have embraced a lie out of the pits of hell.

What is it they cannot tolerate? **SOUND DOCTRINE**. The word "sound" is 'hugiano' and it means **WHOLE, TOTAL, UNCORRUPTED DOCTRINE**. In other words, **ALL DOCTRINE**, not just the pleasant sounding **POSITIVE** doctrines, but also all the negative, hard and unpleasant sayings of Christ! All those classified as "hard sayings" are rejected, for who can abide by them? This is one reason why the world at large rejects the Bible. It is simply an indictment against them that they cannot accept, so it is rejected with great anger!

If they are broad way Christians, they have laid hold of the **POSITIVE** aspects and affirmations of Christianity. They claim by positive affirmation all the positive doctrine, but refuse and violently oppose any suggestion there is a negative application as well, and either brand it as being of Satan or of legalism and works.

The negative aspect of the salvation message of Christ is the strait gate and narrow way. Both of those words mean difficult and full of anguish and trouble of the soul. These are utterly rejected, and not only rejected, they cannot stand that form of doctrine. Their theology **REFUTES IT**, and because they are positive their theology is correct, they refuse truth and are swept into eternal ruin. Christ does not forewarn them because they are in **rank disobedience** to His commands. Their

claims to being born again 'Christians' are empty, and they are destitute of REAL TRUTH.

The narrow way is full of the real reproof of God. It is full of rebuke, scourging and chastening, and it is very unpleasant. Jesus says plainly that it is this **NEGATIVE ASPECT OF THE SALVATION MESSAGE THAT SAVES THE SOUL**. This aspect is rejected by the apostate many with an arrogant and violent sweep of the hand, "not so" they exclaim. Then they advance their false theology to prove it.

The false teachers, preachers and evangelists of Satan walk in their white uniform robes of Christ, have their image beamed across the world by television and radio, and proclaim a gospel that damns anyone who embraces it. Unless there is repentance, they are lost forever. At the heart of it all: **PRIDE AND ARROGANCE**, which God cannot tolerate, and will not allow. These people are in reality the stony ground people. Their hearts are far from the Lord. The Bible warned everyone these fakes would come upon the scene and become very powerful and popular. They would make merchandise of their followers. Christ warned they would deceive many!

Psalm 145:18 says we must call upon the name of the Lord **IN TRUTH**. These people are refusing the '**IN TRUTH**' part of the call, which is the strait gate and narrow way. The 'in truth' is sound doctrine, and sound doctrine is **ALL DOCTRINE** including the negative!

All of the negative aspects of the **TRUE WALK TO AUTHENTIC SALVATION** will be eliminated by a whole new theology, which will sweep the entire Church in the latter days. This new theology will be a quick and easy salvation, all done by an instant decision for Christ, the very concept of the

stony ground people who embrace all the positive aspects of salvation immediately and instantly. It is the instant faith gospel in view here and it is the stony ground people. It is a phony 'head faith' gospel that does nothing to change the INNER heart of HEARTS. It is a worldly gospel that allows those who embrace it to continue in their various lusts without any supernatural inward change of the heart TO AGAPE LOVE. These folks are Christians and they have faith and belief in Jesus. Their faith and their belief are not biblical faith and belief, but a satanic counterfeit that appears real. Their gospel message will appear to be 100% correct, but will have deadly error within it.

Paul says that they heap to themselves TEACHERS. These teachers must be the false prophets Christ warned us about, who would transform the gospel truths into a lie and who would deny the strait gate and narrow way. They are the very same false teachers of 2 Peter 2:1-3 who bring in damnable heresies that sweep the vast majority of Christians into eternal ruin. At the heart of all of it is a denial of the negative aspects of the salvation message brought by Christ. They are the tares, the wolves in sheep's clothing and Satan's angels of light.

Next Paul says the vast majority of the Church will turn their ears away from the truth and be turned unto fables. They will **NOT hear** the **truth**, but will brand the truth a lie. In place of truth, they **embrace** the **lie**, and **UP-HOLD IT AS TRUTH**. It is a delusion allowed by God for disobedience. They willingly turn against true doctrine; they reject it and become the enemies of Christ. So now we begin to see a portrait emerge:

ENDURE vs. WILL NOT ENDURE
LISTEN vs. WILL NOT LISTEN
HEAR TRUTH vs. WILL NOT HEAR
HAVE TRUTH vs. CLING TO FABLES

OBEDIENT vs. DISOBEDIENT
THE FEW vs. THE MANY
THE WHEAT vs. THE TARES
THE DOOR vs. ANOTHER WAY
STRAIT GATE vs. WIDE GATE
NARROW WAY vs. BROAD WAY
PATIENCE vs. INSTANT

Because they WILL NOT RECEIVE the WHOLE TRUTH, they willfully embrace utterly false doctrine. The word “truth” is ‘alethes’ and it means **verity, that which is truth, not concealing anything, that which is truth and only truth, nothing withheld**. If something is withheld from the salvation message, and it is important to know, then it is no longer truth but a lie. Scripture proves that the vast majority within the Church will embrace a lie, and will not be able to hear the truth. **They will turn upon the real truth in anger and violence. If you do not believe this to be true, then stand up in your church and read some of the “hard sayings” of Christ and see what happens!**

If one refuses the whole truth, and only embrace the positive aspects, then they are turned unto fables. The lie may be a good counterfeit of the truth, but it is STILL a counterfeit. If one embraces it, they are lost forever. The word “fables” is ‘muthos’ and it means **fiction, a tale, a false story, not true, false doctrine**. A false gospel message is brought in, and the vast majority of people embrace it. Because the vast majority of people embrace it, it is very popular doctrine. If it is very popular doctrine, then vast numbers of people within the church embrace it as truth. If they embrace it as truth, then they must also reject the real truth. It then becomes a generally accepted doctrine, and over time it sweeps throughout the body of Christ.

Therefore the false teachers here are the same false teachers that Peter warned would come. They would be so popular that millions of Christians would follow them into the fires of hell. These teachers, according to Peter, **would market Jesus Christ to the masses of followers and make a huge profit doing so.** The fires of hell eagerly await them; the flames are thirsty for their souls.

The people and their leaders are then turned unto a fable; a gospel that ends them up in utter ruin. These are apostates, posing as the leaders of Christendom, and the lay people follow after them. They strut around in their WHITE ROBES upon luxurious stages with the television cameras rolling, and they make HUGE PRODUCTIONS to satisfy the lusts of their followers. It is a gospel of carnal man; a gospel of hell posing as a gospel of heaven.

Turn on your TV set and watch what is passing for Christianity. The women are painted up like Old Testament whores and the people love it! The stages are extremely expensive sets and the men are richly dressed. If you tell the real truth you do not get invited on. It is all a precise fulfillment of Peter's warning to all of us. BEWARE!!

DISCIPLES AND BELIEVERS WHO FALL AWAY

There is more Scripture concerning apostasy and falling away from the truth that pertains to believers and followers that were once thought to be faithful servants, who do not keep the course set before them:

“But there are some of you THAT BELIEVE NOT. For Jesus knew from the

**beginning who they were that BELIEVED
NOT, and who should betray him.**

**And he said, therefore said I unto you,
THAT NO MAN CAN COME UNTO ME,
except it were given unto him OF MY
FATHER.**

**From that time MANY OF HIS DISCIPLES
WENT BACK,
AND WALKED NO MORE WITH HIM.”
(John 6:64-66)**

Here are followers who thought they believed, thought they had faith, thought that all was right with them, but Jesus turns on them and says they believed not. They were not TRUE BELIEVERS. They were professors of faith and belief, but fell short. They could not tolerate His sayings; they could not accept His teachings. He added that NO MAN COULD EVER COME TO THE LIVING CHRIST EXCEPT THE FATHER BRING HIM IN, or we could say GIVE HIM THE POWER TO COME.

It is important to understand these people were walking WITH JESUS. They thought He was the truth, way, and life. THEY HAD FOLLOWED HIM FOR SOME TIME. Again, Jesus says there is MORE TO THIS THAN MEETS THE EYE. The Father must grant the real power given to come, or no one can do so. Here we find a division between those who simply call upon the name of the Lord and those who call upon the name of the Lord IN TRUTH!

Scripture will prove that they simply did not have the commitment, diligence, and patience required to actually

undertake the strait gate and narrow way. They would not dig deep enough to come as demanded. In point of fact, the obstacles of the STRAIT GATE prevented all of them from doing so (parable of the sower).

The remarks of John the Baptist also illustrate the concept of the radical differences between the pseudo believers and the regenerated. We will draw upon what we know as we explore these remarks. John is faced with the Pharisees and the Sadducees, who have come for baptism. They are the religious leaders of their day. We have today in the Christian faith, New Testament Pharisees and Sadducees who have the identical same traits, who have within them the identical same violence and hatred towards the truth that those of Jesus' day had. They will not escape the fires of eternal ruin, unless they repent a full and complete biblical repentance.

**“And THINK NOT to say within yourselves,
WE HAVE ABRAHAM TO OUR FATHER:
for I say unto you, that God is able OF THESE
STONES TO RAISE UP CHILDREN UNTO
ABRAHAM.”
(Matthew 3:9)**

These people are relying upon the fact that they think Abraham is their father, and that is enough. The equivalent in our day would be to think that God is your father, and because you have accepted Christ that is enough. Anything added to faith or belief is a heresy, a false notion, a form of law keeping, some type of legalism, or a “work” of some type to them. They say so let him that brings the message of a strait gate, narrow way, death and resurrection to new life “be accursed”, for he brings “another gospel, another Christ”.

Notice what is said. THESE STONES, WHICH ARE THE HEARTS OF THE PEOPLE, can be raised up into SONS OF GOD (if they will allow it). The hidden aspect of what John is saying is that the stony hearts of the people will have to undergo a process that allows them to be called Sons of God. Jesus called it the strait gate and narrow way which leadeth unto being ‘born again’ unto ‘life’.

Remember in Ezekiel 36:26 that God said THAT ALL HIS PEOPLE HAVE HEARTS OF STONE? Your profession of faith and belief do not alter this HEART OF STONE. It is out of these stones that God will call the VERY ELECT. These are they which will walk the narrow way to the end, where the Chief Surgeon performs a **heart transplant**. We are seeing again the concept of **‘FROM THE MANY COME THE FEW’**.

The “many” refuse to allow God to deal with their heart of hearts. It is off limits to Christ. They will allow only room in the outer court of their minds, but they refuse to allow Christ into their holy of holies, their inner heart. As a result, they refuse the narrow way and the reproof of God. They will not come to the LIGHT OF AGAPE LOVE for their true confession of what sin really is.

**“And NOW ALSO the axe is LAID UNTO
THE ROOT OF THE TREES:
therefore EVERY TREE WHICH BRINGETH
NOT FORTH GOOD FRUIT IS HEWN
DOWN,**

AND CAST INTO THE FIRE.”
(Matthew 3:10)

This is a profound statement, with two meanings. The tree is the believer in Christ. The concept of the strait gate and narrow way is the 'LAYING THE AXE TO THE ROOT'. The root of the soul is the inner heart of hearts. The ax is going to be laid to this heart of hearts, **THE AX IS GOING RIGHT INTO THE HOLY OF HOLIES, AND CUT OUT THE HEART OF STONE.** The heart **IS GOING TO BE CHANGED. IT MUST BE CHANGED BY REGENERATION.** The fruit is of course the fruit of regeneration, which is **DIVINE AGAPE LOVE**. In other words, the time has come to go to the root of the problem, the root problem of a dead spirit, and this root must be changed before physical death, rather than after when it is too late and the soul is sent into the fire.

The heart must bring forth the fruit of Agape, or it is to be cut down, and burned in the fires of eternal ruin. The heart cannot bring forth the fruit of Agape unless and until it walks the narrow way to find Christ, who stands at the end of the narrow way, for it is Christ that redeems us!!

If this process is not allowed by the soul, for whatever reason, that soul will bear works of iniquity, works of evil, as in the case of the many. Either one walks the narrow way and allows Christ to put the ax to the core of his/her problem, or they will simply be cut down and cast into the fire.

God is going to go right to the heart of the human condition. God is not going to fool around those in any ritual and **SURFACE RELIGION. God hates religion; He hates the solemn assembly** (Isaiah 1:10-15). God is all done with religion and religious pretense. That is all over with. Something new is in the offing with the arrival of

Jesus Christ: **it is a new heart, a new birth, a supernatural change within.** God pleads with us to walk the narrow way to be made clean, and quit all of this hypocritical pretense (Isaiah 1:16-19). All professors are simply burned in the fire. Jesus confirms this in John 15:6.

The second aspect of this is simply a dire warning. The tree that bares not the fruit of regeneration will be thrown in the fire. The time has come for a whole new approach to the problem of man.

John the Baptist then says:

“Whose fan is in his (Jesus Christ) hand, and he will

THOROUGHLY PURGE HIS FLOOR,

and GATHER HIS WHEAT INTO THE GARNER;

but he will BURN UP THE CHAFF with UNQUENCHABLE FIRE.”

(Matthew 3:12)

Notice that Jesus will **PURGE HIS OWN FLOOR.** That is, He will purge **His own people, all the believers, disciples, and followers.** His own body will be purged of everything not authentic. The WHEAT He gathers up to take to His barn; the chaff along with the tares He WILL burn up. This is a double reference parable for it also applies to all real believers, all authentic believers will go before the judgment seat of Christ and all evil works are burnt in the fires of searching judgment.

The word for “purge” is ‘diakatharizo’ and it means **TO CLEANSE PERFECTLY**. The cleansing comes from the bestowment of agape love **at regeneration**. Then there comes another form of purging. Laying the ax to the root of our hearts means to **CUT OUT OUR HUMAN NATURAL HEART, AND GOD GIVES US A NEW ONE!**

Jesus said in the Sermon on the Mount that a corrupt tree could only bring forth **EVIL FRUIT**. Matthew 3:10 cross compares with Matthew 7:19. They are all God’s people, but only a few of them are regenerated.

CHAPTER TWELVE
THE VAST MAJORITY OF END TIME
CHRISTIANS
GO INTO ETERNAL RUIN

We have now gone over an abundant amount of Scripture to prove totally that the vast majority of Christians will end up in eternal ruin. We will now offer one more New Testament proof that is **UTTERLY SHOCKING IN ITS IMPLICATION:**

**“But there were FALSE PROPHETS also among the
people (Israel),
even as there SHALL BE FALSE TEACHERS
AMONG YOU...”**
(2 Peter 2:1)

Peter is warning that, just as Israel had false prophets, so too will the Church have FALSE TEACHERS. **They shall come**. It is an imperative condition; it will happen. They will rise up among the Christian Church. They will look like, sound like and act like real authentic born again Christians, **but they will be liars**. We are going to examine these false teachers IN DEPTH later. We only need to be aware that THEY ARE CHRISTIANS, IN

THE BODY OF CHRIST, IN THE CHURCH, POSING AS AUTHENTIC BORN AGAIN CHRISTIANS.

There is something about them however, that Peter says will positively identify them to the true seeker; they will ‘deny’ the Lord that bought them. Now the word “deny” does not mean they **HAVE TO DISAVOW JESUS CHRIST AS MESSIAH**. The word also means that **THEY CONTRADICT WHAT HE SAYS**. In other words, they will openly UPHOLD CHRIST, but will **contradict his teachings about salvation**. This is not to say there are false Christian teachers who deny Christ, but this is directed to something far more deadly, for these are Christian leaders who are sincere and dedicated men of God, but who are ‘dupes’ of Satan. They are totally unaware they are in **a rank deception**. As a result of that, they are in the process of deceiving multitudes of their followers.

“...who **PRIVILY** shall bring in **damnable heresies,**
even **DENYING THE LORD THAT BOUGHT THEM,**
and bring upon themselves swift destruction.”
(2 Peter 2:1)

Notice it says that they ‘privily bring in’ damnable doctrine. It simply means **THAT THESE FALSE DOCTRINES ARE BROUGHT IN TOTALLY UNAWARE**. The Body of Christ does not SPOT THE ERROR. In point of fact, the implication here is that the leaders themselves embrace these false doctrines, and only a few of them actually understand what they are doing. This is not cult activity, but is instead MAIN-STREAM CHRISTIANITY ITSELF.

These salvation doctrines are so clever, so close to the real thing, that the vast majority within the church do not detect the error. Not only do they not detect it, **they embrace the error as truth!** The error they embrace **damns them to eternal ruin, which is why it is called a DAMNABLE HERESY.** The error they embrace is a lie, a falsehood, **a very tragic mistake in doctrine.** It is an error in theology, in definitions, in the primary doctrine of salvation. It sweeps the entire church, is very popular, and **all primary denominations buy into it,** from the fundamentalists to the liberals. Remember it is undetected, brought in totally in secret.

**IT IS NEVER DETECTED BY THE
MANY. THEY DIE EMBRACING THIS
FALSE DOCTRINE.**

**“And MANY (THE VAST MAJORITY)
shall follow their pernicious (damnable)
ways...”
(2 Peter 2:2)**

The word for “many” is again ‘polus’ and it means **ABUNDANT NUMBER**, or in our language the **VAST MAJORITY**. When Jesus spoke of many, He always contrasted it to the “FEW”. If the vast majority of Christians flock to these false teachers, then we must say that whatever the majority in the church are saying is true doctrine on how to get saved **is in fact false.** That must be true because the popular doctrines on salvation are embraced as true, when in fact they are false! Those that embrace these doctrines go into eternal ruin, along with the false teachers who teach them.

**“...by reason of whom THE WAY of truth SHALL BE EVIL SPOKEN OF.”
(2 Peter 2:2)**

Peter gets right to the point. These false teachers DO NOT SPEAK EVIL OF JESUS CHRIST; THEY UPHOLD CHRIST. What they speak evil of is THE WAY THAT LEADS TO THE TRUTH. Christ gave us only ONE WAY. HE CALLED IT STRAIT AND NARROW. We are being told that another doctrine, that is SO CLOSE to the original that it appears 100% correct as to how one gets saved, IS a lie out of hell itself.

Their doctrines, a whole host of them, will in fact CONTRADICT AND OPPOSE THE STRAIT GATE AND NARROW WAY. They will manufacture a doctrine that does NOT REQUIRE one to enter in as Christ commanded. They will redefine what faith, grace, and works actually are. Conversion will become regeneration, and they will insist the two are the same. Their whole doctrine will utterly oppose all the negative aspects of salvation. Once again we find a reference to the “many”, and once again we find the one essential element missing. Their doctrines prohibit authentic regeneration, and they stand before the Lord rejected.

They will claim a regeneration they do not possess. They will redefine regeneration in such a way as to ENABLE THEM TO CLAIM IT. It will be a lie, **and the real truth they will oppose with violence**. The elect will find their error and bypass it, and go on to find the LIVING CHRIST, AND GO IN TO UNION WITH HIM. The remainder will go into eternal ruin. God says He changes not. If Christians can be lost to eternal ruin via disobedience, then we should find proof in the Old Testament that God’s people Israel could end up in ruin.

“MY PEOPLE ARE DESTROYED FOR LACK OF KNOWLEDGE: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that THOU SHALT BE NO PRIEST TO ME: seeing thou hast forgotten the LAW OF THY GOD, I will also forget thy children.”
(Hosea 4:6)

Notice it says MY PEOPLE are destroyed because of a lack of knowledge. Could this have something to do with the New Testament saying that ‘faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word’? **Is true Biblical faith based upon an established knowledge of what the Scriptures really say, both positive and negative, and then being obedient to the commands therein? We will prove it all true as we continue.**

God is not a respecter of persons, and thus in many ways treats unbelievers and believers alike for disobedience, i.e., they go into eternal ruin. It appears there is a **GENERAL LACK OF REAL FAITH IN ALL THOSE THAT ARE TURNED AWAY**. Is faith established by entering the strait gate and walking the narrow way? Is that what Christ means when He says ‘BELIEVE’? Is that what Paul means when he says “BELIEVE FROM THE HEART”? Is the strait gate and narrow way the way of KNOWLEDGE?

Is the knowledge that God demands the knowledge of the **MYSTERY OF GOD**? Is this the knowledge of **DIVINE AGAPE LOVE**? Faith and belief are essentially the same in the Bible. If one simply went to the word definitions and looked them up, one could walk away with a false impression of what God and Christ intended. This is so because **CHRIST WAS VERY**

CAREFUL WITH HIS CONDITIONAL PHRASES THAT EXPLAINED THOSE WORDS. It is the conditions attached that actually define the real meaning. If we drop off conditional words like **IF**, then we have deadly misunderstanding of the commands of Christ. All of the comments of Christ referring to authentic salvation are

CONDITIONALLY QUALIFIED!

IF a person follows the conditions, then salvation is the result. **IF** they refuse the conditions, or ignore them, they will not obtain salvation. Thus the word ‘believe’ does not mean what we might think it means. The word for faith does not mean what we might think it means. That is especially true today, because we live in an ‘instant’ gratification world.

NEVER FORGET TO LIST ALL OF THE QUALIFIERS.

If true Biblical faith comes from an ever expanding knowledge of Scripture that is allowed to become **OPERATIVE** in the life of the believer, then God can do His work of convicting **unto** salvation. Is that why Christ demanded that we **CONTINUE** in His doctrine? Is that why we find numerous warnings that we must abide in and study to show ourselves **APPROVED UNTO GOD?**

2 Tim 2:15-16

“Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

But shun profane and vain babblings: for they will increase unto more ungodliness.”

The word “approved” is very interesting and we will cover it in greater detail later. It essentially means to **BE ACCEPTED BY THE LORD**. Jesus told us the only way to be ACCEPTED BY THE LORD WAS TO BE “BORN AGAIN”!! It actually ties back to the OLD TESTAMENT where we are told over and over to seek after wisdom and understanding with all of our getting (great effort), because if we will continue it will bring with it a crown of life!

Something tragic happened to the “many” Christians; so tragic it brought them to eternal ruin. For one reason or another, they could not lay hold of the **MYSTERY OF GOD**. We have proven they were believers. We have shown they had faith and belief by modern theological standards, yet they go into eternal damnation. This is impossible under modern Christian theology, which claims loudly that **FAITH AND BELIEF ARE WHAT SAVE THE SOUL. While that is true, it is a half-truth, and a half-truth is a lie, and a deception!**

What if faith and belief are only a **dynamic force** to propel a person through the narrow way unto salvation? What if the modern Christian definitions given to faith and belief are not totally correct? What if salvation ITSELF is NOT faith and belief? What would happen if we made FAITH ITSELF JESUS CHRIST? Would that not be FAITH IN FAITH? Could we be fooled by a satanic doctrine that substitutes **FAITH ITSELF FOR JESUS CHRIST, AND NOT BE AWARE THAT WE HAD DONE SO?** The answer is shocking, for the answer is **YES!** If we make FAITH THE SAME AS JESUS CHRIST, then we become involved in idol wor-

ship, and our idol is FAITH. Faith becomes Christ Himself; faith becomes GOD. Faith becomes everything there is!

Something happened, for these people had FAITH and BELIEF. But Christ also said something else, which is totally ignored. HE SAID WE ARE TO COME TO HIM. First a person BELIEVES, and then they COME TO HIM. The only way He gave us to come to Him was via the strait gate and narrow way. There is no other way in; no other way brought by grace to come to THE LIGHT OF DIVINE AGAPE!

John 3:19-21

“And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.

For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, NEITHER COMETH TO THE LIGHT, lest his deeds should be reproved.

But he that doeth truth COMETH TO THE LIGHT, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God.”

As we have said before, there is a vast difference between the words FAITH, BELIEF and COME. It was not that the “many” did not believe, because they surely did. It was not that they did not have faith! What they DID NOT DO was to COME TO THE LIGHT and be judged! They refused the JUDGMENT ASPECT of true salvation. If we are FALLEN, then obviously we will have to be JUDGED. Without the judgment aspect, there can be no genuine GODLY REPENTANCE. Without repentance, there can be NO SALVATION. Why? Because one

cannot open the door to Christ unless and until they repent!!

What must one do to be saved? What does regeneration mean? Can we know for sure we are going to heaven? What is each person's proof? The answers are far different than anything one might imagine them to be. The Scriptural answers condemn modern Christian theology no matter what denomination. We are in the final phase of the great falling away from the truth of scripture.

“But we are not of them WHO DRAW BACK UNTO PERDITION; but of them that BELIEVE TO THE SAVING OF THE SOUL.”
(Hebrews 10:39)

An interesting question would be this: why would anyone draw back from **joy and laughter and a good time if salvation is as pleasant as modern Christian theology makes it out to be**? This verse of Scripture makes it sound like a real battle has to be fought, and that it becomes so intense that some people **draw back and will NOT CONTINUE TO THE END.** People only draw back from the NEGATIVE; not from things positive, thus another clue as to why the ‘many’ were lost. Is that why the word “OVERCOME” is used in Revelation? Is it a real battle with a real adversary? Is Satan really our worst enemy, or is both Satan and our internal rebellion that which must be overcome? Please think about it!!

FINAL SUMMARY & CONCLUSIONS

We have proved beyond any doubt whatever that a large portion of the Christian Church is unsaved and destined for eternal ruin. From the many to the non-overcomers, from the evil servants to the foolish virgins, from the fearful servant to the many that follow the false teachers, the evidence is massive and sweeping.

THE VAST MAJORITY OF CHRISTIANS NEVER MAKE IT TO HEAVEN.

This must give all of us all reason to pause. These warnings are everywhere. We are to read them and learn from them. We must avoid the mistakes made by the ‘many’. We are to count our own souls worthy of salvation, and become OBEDIENT to the ‘SAYINGS OF JESUS’. We are to do THE WILL OF THE FATHER. In conclusion, we have learned the following:

- 1. You can undergo what you think is a full CONVERSION to Christ.**
- 2. You can be baptized in water by submersion or sprinkling.**
- 3. You can be baptized in Holy Ghost power and speak in tongues.**
- 4. You can have faith to move mountains.**
- 5. You can believe with a firm belief.**
- 6. You can have all knowledge.**
- 7. You can have all wisdom.**

- 8. You can know the Scripture backwards and forwards, inside out, in reverse and have it all totally memorized.**
- 9. You can cast out demons, be on the front lines of battle in the war between Christ and Satan for the human race.**
- 10. You can heal the sick and perform miracles in the name of the Jesus Christ.**
- 11. You can claim all the promises of Scripture and be sure you are born again and heaven bound, and be positive of it.**
- 12. You can give away all that you own in the name of Jesus.**
- 13. You can give your body to be burned at the stake for Christ, and become a martyr for the cause.**
- 14. You can attend every church service, pray sincere and dedicated prayers, go to the jails, prisons, and the hospitals, hand out tracts and be a super ‘Christian’.**
- 15. You can be a teacher, pastor or evangelist of world renown, pack the crowds in by the millions, ring your sermons off the high rafters of holiness and yet:**

**YOU CAN STILL END UP IN ETERNAL LOSS
AND RUIN, REJECTED BY THE LORD JESUS
CHRIST WITH A TERSE REJECTION;
“I NEVER KNEW YOU”.**

It happens because of deception and false theology that redefines key words, that bypasses one way or another the flat commands of our Lord Jesus Christ. One can speak of the strait gate and narrow way, one can speak of the holiness walk, and one can uplift all of these things. However, their definitions of what they are, and what they mean can vary radically from what Jesus Christ said they mean. From all of these warnings of THE POOR LOST CHRISTIAN, we can determine the following.

Can anyone receive it in this apostate age? Can anyone profit from it?

1. THE DEFINITION OF FAITH HELD BY THE MANY WAS NOT ACCURATE.

Their interpretation of what FAITH REALLY IS was in total error. They had read all of the Scripture verses about being saved by faith, and they obviously appropriated them. HOWEVER THEY WERE NOT SAVED; THEY WERE REJECTED. That means **THEIR DEFINITIONS OF FAITH WERE IN TOTAL ERROR.** AND WE HAVE ALSO PROVED THEY HAD A FORM OF FAITH, **BUT IT WAS NOT A SAVING FAITH.**

2. THE DEFINITION OF BELIEVE HELD BY THE MANY WAS NOT ACCURATE.

Their interpretation of the word BELIEVE was also in total error, for they obviously BELIEVED IN Jesus Christ, and Jesus says that anyone who BELIEVES IN HIM WOULD BE SAVED. They were not saved, so then their interpretation of the true meaning of the word 'believe' was wrong. It cost them eternity.

3. THE DEFINITION OF REGENERATION HELD BY THE MANY WAS NOT ACCURATE.

Their interpretation of the word REGENERATION or REBIRTH was in total error. They had read words like BORN AGAIN, REGENERATED, LIFE, SAVED, SALVATION AND OTHERS LIKE IT, but they did not define them properly, for **THEY WERE NEVER REGENERATED.** If they had been truly regenerated, Christ could not have said He never knew them for that would be a lie!! Anyone who is regenerated has met Christ spiritually one on one, and thus not only knows the mystery of God, but knows that Christ also KNOWS THEM!!

There is one issue between man and God, and ONLY ONE. This issue must be faced and settled. It was the issue that Peter had to face and settle. No one could deny that Peter loved the Lord with all of his heart, soul and mind, yet for all that it was not enough. We must find out why it was not enough, and then we must comply or we will not lay hold of this mysterious, hidden and secret love of God - AGAPE.

“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;

God also bearing them witness, both with signs
and wonders,
and with divers miracles, and gifts of the Holy
Ghost, according to his own will?”

(Hebrews 2:3-4)

How can we neglect such a great salvation? If it is pride that keeps you, get rid of it. If it is arrogance, destroy it. If it is bias, rid yourself of it. If it is tradition, walk away from it. If it is your religious bias, your denominational bias, rise above it. If it is your education in theology and all your high sounding degrees, such as “Doctor of Theology” burn them, they mean nothing. If you are too busy, GET UN-BUSY. If you have too much business, OFF LOAD. You MUST come to the Scripture as a child, read it as a child; for Scripture will open itself up **ONLY** to the **honest seeker**. If you attempt to prove your denominational beliefs are correct, and truth is not what you are seeking, **God will verify your delusions.** **Never in the history of the world has a book been written that will verify delusions as Scripture.** God said ALL THOSE, EVERYONE, that does NOT LAY HOLD OF DIVINE AGAPE LOVE, will fall under a delusion. The ‘many’ were under a delusion. God allows it because THESE PEOPLE WERE NOT SEEKING THE REAL TRUTH. **They only wanted a verification of WHAT THEY THOUGHT WAS TRUE, and received only that which they wanted to hear.**

If you go to the various denominational churches, they all hold to a certain “theology”. To become a member, you must submit to that “theology”. If you question them with Scripture, they will say “You should find another church that better suits you, you ask too many questions”, or “you would be happier somewhere else.” They do not want to hear any real facts of Scripture. They do not want to hear the actual truths of the Bible. There is no point in attempting to point out their error, for they will not hear it. So then you must leave the BABYLONIAN

RELIGIOUS SYSTEMS and walk the walk of the “way” alone.

Whatever holds you back, you must get rid of it, or you will never see heaven, and you will be but one of the “many” who are destroyed for lack of knowledge.

Proverbs 18:13: **“He that answereth a matter before he heareth it, it is folly and shame unto him.”** Hear this matter out. **Check the Scripture to verify if it is true.**

There are a lot of people who are positive they are saved because they have “visions” and “dreams” and are spoken to by the “Lord”. However the Scriptures are very clear as to what type of “experience” one has to have with the Lord that actually SAVES THAT PERSON. It is often referred to as a “SAVING KNOWLEDGE”. This experience, although different with each individual, does have the same key elements involved.

We will show later in this series, that without these elements one should question their position before the Lord, and ask the Lord for total and complete verification of their true position. They also need to be on guard for a deception. The Lord Himself will not deceive you, but Satan will and often does. The Word of God as it is written and the Holy Spirit are our only true guides here. The Holy Spirit will NEVER CONTRADICT THE WRITTEN WORD.

We are going to dig into the false prophets in Volume Two of The Poor Lost Christian, and verify everything we have learned thus far. **Extricate yourselves from the false prophets and their false churches and their false theology.** The Scripture is full of warnings concerning these “IMPOSTERS” who appear for all-the-world like

the genuine article. But we don't have any excuse for non-recognition of who they are, because the Scripture tells us all about them, and shows who they are. It is a most shocking revelation, for they are all over America and the world.

**“COME OUT OF HER MY
PEOPLE...”**