

Jesus is the Christ

With four simple words, the Apostle John delivers to us the gospel message which shook the world in the first century; *"Jesus is the Christ."*

These four words are still the only hope to save America and the world around us today. Jesus told

"Whosoever believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God:" John 5:1

us, however, that these words can only be received and understood by revelation. When Peter said to Jesus, *"Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God"* Matthew 16:16, Jesus said to him, (I paraphrase), *"You are blessed, Peter! The Father in Heaven has revealed this to you! This revelation of who I am is the rock I will build my church upon, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."*

Jesus began his earthly ministry during a time of great expectation among the Jewish people. Every Jew in Jerusalem and in all of Judea heard of the coming of "The Christ" for their entire lifetime. It was preached almost every Sabbath Day in the Synagogues, and they even knew by the scriptures of the prophet Daniel the exact year that He would appear. The Jews dearly loved the thought of seeing "the Christ," their Messiah. They knew by heart the prophecy of His appearing. He would *"...finish the transgression, make an end of sins, make reconciliation for iniquity, and bring in everlasting righteousness."* Daniel 9:24. It is true

"The people were in expectation, and all men mused in their hearts of John, whether he were the Christ, or not;" Luke 3:15

they did not know how He would do these things, but the prospect of "freedom" from the tyranny of Rome was

enough to excite the entire nation, and this was the year for Him to appear.

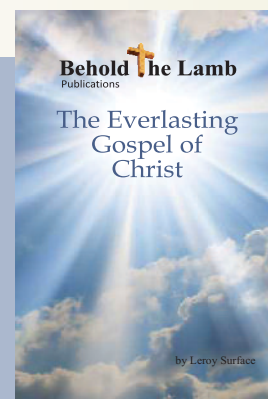
Consider the promise: Christ would *"make an end of sins"* and *"bring in everlasting righteousness."* Look at it again: "No more sin" 1 John 3:5-6, but *"righteousness, peace, and joy"* Romans 14:17. There would be no more "struggle" to stop sinning, because the same one who died on the cross to *"take away our sin"* John 1:29, is the same one who said to us *"Come to me, and I will give you rest"* Matthew 11:28. The glorious rest of God's people is not "in sin," but rather "from sin." Sin

loses its dominion over those who believe *"Jesus is the Christ"* with a clear understanding of what Christ came into the world to do. Those who continue in sin and say, "grace abounds" Romans 6:1-2, are ignorant of who Christ is and what He came into the world to do. They say, "We are all sinners, who must sin every day," absolutely blinded to the fact if this is so, they are also lost and perishing with the world around them. How do I know this? Because Christ came into the world to make an end of sins, and *"Jesus is the Christ."*

We must understand that true Christianity is not a "religious philosophy." If reduced to a philosophy, it is the weakest of all religions, but true Christianity is not a "religion;" it is *"life in Christ Jesus."* Romans 8:2. Christ is not a sinner, and as the Apostle John said, *"Whosoever abideth in Him sinneth not"* 1 John 3:5-6. This is an absolute truth of the gospel of Christ, which we must preach if we are to see the people "saved from sin." Our nation is held in the balances with no possible political answer. The future, whether good or evil, is in the hands of the church. What will we do with it?

In the great awakening of the 18th century, Jonathan Edwards, who became the president of Princeton University, preached the message "Sinners in the hands of an angry God." Grown men were so convicted of sin they fell into the aisles crying, "My God Mister Edwards, what can we do?" The only possible answer is one Jesus gave: *"Repent, and believe the gospel"* Mark 1:15. This also is the message we must deliver today. In closing this letter, I want to send you my free book which is offered below...

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