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PREFACE

Since the time of Adam and Eve many have disputed who The Messiah is. Even the angels did not know who He was or when The Promised Messiah would come (I Peter 1:10-12). *The Prophets* and *the angels* did not know either.

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INTRODUCTION

Throughout history, mankind has been waiting for *a Savior*. Many humans, throughout the centuries, have accepted different Saviors as their Messiah.

APOSTLE WARNING

John, The Apostle wrote in his day that Christians and The Messianic Jews needed to test “*the spirits*” because many false prophets were prevalent in his time. What standards of judgment did he use? “*Hereby know you the Spirit of God: Every spirit [prophet] that confesses that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh [human] is of God: And every Spirit that confesses not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that spirit of anti-Christ, whereof you have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world*” (I John 4:2-3).

John said those who denied that Jesus had been born and then died for the sins of the world were anti-Christ. Others did not know who The Messiah would be. Why did some individuals think they were The Messiah? The Apostle Peter gives you the answer. In Matthew 16, Jesus asked His Disciples who the people said He was? Some said He was a prophet like Elijah or Jeremiah. Then He asked, “*Who do you say I am.*” Peter answered, “*You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.*” Then Christ told Peter, “*Blessed are you, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood [humans] has not revealed it to you but my Father which is in heaven*” (Matthew 16:15-17).

Jesus told The Apostle John to *try* The Spirits, whether

they be *true* or *false* and then decide who is *The True Prophet*.

Many religions believe Jesus was *a good man and a Prophet* of God. Christ said only through The Holy Spirit or God can your eyes be opened to acknowledge that The Savior was already born as a Son of Man. The Holy Spirit of God overshadowed Mary so The Messiah could be born.

All who deny Jesus as The Messiah and The Savior of The World are *anti-Christ*s. Amazingly, the entire world was always looking for The Messiah to come during those days.

When Jesus was born, The Magi from The East (the astrologers) saw His *star* in The West standing over where He was laying. (Request the free book, *The Magi And Christ's Birth*).

The Jews were expecting Him to be born of The House of David. The children of King David knew Christ was to come in their day. King Herod had also heard these stories and had expectations. They were all without excuse.

In Jesus' day there were five hundred people who saw Him after He was resurrected (I Corinthians 15:3-8). How could they have denied seeing Jesus?

PROPHECY OF OLD

Why did the world expect The Coming of The Messiah? Again, Peter supplies the answer, "*Of which salvation the prophets have enquired and searched dili-*

gently, who prophesied of the grace that should come onto you: Searching what or what manner of time the Spirit of Christ [Holy Spirit] which was in them did signify, when it testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ and the glory that should follow. To whom it was revealed, that not to themselves but to us they did minister the things, which are now reported to you by them that have preached the gospel to you with the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven; which things the angels desire to look into” (I Peter 1:10-12). (King James language is difficult to understand so reading another translation is sometimes helpful to new Christians).

The Bible preached The Coming of The Messiah beginning in Genesis 3:15. *The Prophets* continued preaching The Coming of The Messiah throughout the rest of *The Bible* (Jude 14). The proof was overwhelming. God preached The Coming of The Messiah from The Garden of Eden, then miraculously warned the world in Jesus’ day that The Messiah had, indeed, come. The world is without any excuse.

The Jewish leaders denied Christ was The Messiah. Then the Jewish crowds hailed Him as He rode on an ass into Jerusalem. How much proof do you need?

THE WORKS OF CHRIST

The real proof Jesus was The Messiah was not that He was *born* and had many *witnesses*, but it was His *faith* (Revelation 1:5). Many *witnessed* how He *lived*, all His *works and the resurrection*, “*Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works sake*” (John 14:11). The real truth that Jesus was The Messiah was *He had “the faith”* to do

all that was *prophesied* about Him. Jesus had to *faithfully* complete hundreds of *Old Testament* prophecies which revealed Him as The Messiah. Christ through The Holy Spirit, was, and is The Son of God.

Being a Son of Man (a human), He was tempted in all ways and, yet, remained *faithful*. He had to know *every Word* of God and He *lived* those words. He is your Messiah and only He can give you Salvation.

There were many saviors in *The Bible* like Cyrus, The Mede, as well as Joshua who saved Israel and brought them into *The Promised Land*.

Jesus, The Christ was The Messiah to *Save The World* from *death* to *Eternal Life* (I John 4:14). Jesus was a *man – anthropoid* who had to *exercise faith* like the rest of mankind. You grow *in faith*, as you learn more *truth*. Jesus always had to be sinless because He *knew the truth* by God's Holy Spirit being in Him from *birth*.

His *faith* was *greater than yours* and He always *did good works*. It is time for you to read about those works and what He said about being *sinless*.

CHAPTER 1

CHRIST'S FAITH

Scripturally, the words “*works*” and “*faith*” are highly misunderstood. The Apostle James said, “*What does it profit, my brethren, though a man say he has faith and have not works? Can faith save him?*” (James 2:14). “*Even so faith, if it has not works, is dead, being alone*” (James 2:17).

WHAT WORKS AND FAITH?

Jesus, in His battle with Satan told the devil, “*Man shall not live by bread alone but by every word of God*” (Matthew 4:4). Satan wanted to quote doctrine when it furthered his plan, but never used “every” Word of God. He pitched *the parts* he could use to stump Jesus (after all it worked with Eve). Some denominations, ideologies, philosophies and even *science* use the same tactics.

“*Good works*” are defined in James (James 2:14-16). (Read the entire *Book of James* for greater insight). When you show preference to a well-known or rich person over individuals who are poor, it does not show “*a sign*” of good works. Power, fame and money can influence an individual so you must always be on your guard. Even when one understands – The Royal Law, “*You shall love your neighbor as yourself, you do well*” (James 2:8).

One can keep the entire *Law of Moses* in The Letter, but if that person transgresses as *one part*, he is *guilty* of breaking *all The Law* (James 2:10). To do “*Good works*” demands you have *faith*. “*Works*” which reveal “*the goodness of God*” – “*In You*” shows *your faith*. Now, you know why Christ told you to live by *every Word of God*.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH

From *birth*, only Jesus was filled *in full measure* with the Holy Spirit of God . Christians must, also, grow as God gives each Christian His Holy Spirit. You grow *spiritually*, at a different pace, because you have not received “*the full measure*” of The Holy Spirit (John 3:34-35). Everyone is at a different level of understanding.

Through “*inheritance*” God gave His Son “*everything*.” Everything means everything. All the thoughts, wisdom, knowledge, plans, and all the works God had done. It means all The Mysteries of God including what is meant “in part” in *The Bible* but ANYTHING and EVERYTHING that God did, comprising of all “the words” – the Word of God. Christ had to *live* by *every Word of God* as He grew “*In Spirit*” from birth. Every act by Jesus, as His understanding *matured*, had to prove *the works* through His *faith*.

You must do *your “good works”* as The Holy Spirit leads you. As Paul wrote, “*The just shall live by faith*” (Romans 1:17). The *righteousness* of God is revealed to you as you are ready to receive it. The Messiah

knew “*all the whole truth*” and “*nothing but the truth*” from His birth.

As Christ matured He fully knew the “*word*” of God and was completely aware that His Father was The One True Powerful God (Luke 2:49-52). The Savior had to prove His *faith* or *trust* in His Father from the time He was *born* until His *death*. He had to *perfectly prove* His *Messiahship* by His *works*, *each and every time*, otherwise He would have *sinned*, “*And he that doubts is damned [condemned] if he eat [vegetarian], because he eats not of faith: for whatsoever is not of faith is sin*” (Romans 14:23). Had Christ not lived by *every Word of God*, He would have sinned and then could *not have been The Messiah!* Wow!

CHRIST'S FINAL TEST

When Jesus was captured, Peter wanted to fight but The Messiah told him, “*Put up your sword into the sheath: the cup which my Father has given me, shall I not drink it?*” (John 18:11).

Christ spent that night in *prayer*. Why? He even asked His Disciples to pray with Him for a very good reason – He was human. As The Son of Man, in His *flesh*, He was tempted like the rest of mankind. Notice what Christ said, “*Father, if you be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will [desires], but yours, be done*” (Luke 22:42).

Jesus, in *the flesh*, was *all human* but when He was born He had The Holy Spirit of God (II Timothy 1:7).

The Word of God came *down from heaven* and completely filled Him. Through *inheritance* He was made *Holy* as The “Very Word” of God (Luke 1:35).

The Messiah cried out, “*My God, my God, why have you forsaken [left] me?*” (Mark 15:34). It is exactly what King David said in Psalm 22:1. As with David, Jesus now had His *final test of faith*.

The Holy Spirit of God did not strengthen Him. Christ, to be The Messiah, had to give His human life, on His own, as His *final test of faith*.

By spilling His *blood*, all the *sins* of the world rested on Jesus. The world was *drunk* with sin and Christ *paid* for the sins of each and every person in the world. Christ died for *all the world’s sins*, which is why He said, “*Wherefore I say to you, All manner of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven to men: but the blasphemy against the Holy Spirit shall not be forgiven to men*” (Matthew 12:31).

The Messiah, to be The Savior, had to, of His *own choice*, lay down His *life* for you; if not, He would have *blasphemed* The Holy Spirit of God which was “*In Him*” – producing *the unpardonable sin* (Matthew 12:32).

Many do not realize what *substantiated* Jesus, to be *The Messiah*, was completely based upon His *perfect faith* in The Father, “*After this, Jesus knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the scripture might be fulfilled said, I thirst*” (John 19:28). Christ then

spoke His last words, “*Father, to your hands I commend my spirit and having said this, he gave up the spirit*” (Luke 23:46).

The proof that Christ was The Messiah was His *works* proving His *faith* that He was *The Savior*. His *works proved* He was The Messiah (Revelation 1:5).

CHAPTER 2

WORKS PROVED THE CHRIST

Debates are ever on-going with scholars and denominations about who was Jesus. (Request the free book, *Who And What Is God's Word*). Did Jesus, the human, as The Word of God always exist or was He created as The Son of Man?

CHRIST THE HUMAN

“And the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father [God]) full of grace and truth” (John 1:14). The human being was *“the word,”* but *“the word”* was made *flesh* from the *glory* of God. *The word, “the logos,”* was *the spoken Word* of God, which was *His glory*. *The “word,”* therefore, was not Jesus as a human but was from the *glory* of God – *Himself*.

Of all humans only The Messiah had the glory of God in Him. *This Glory* of God came right from *the bosom* of The Father and, therefore, knew who The Father was (John 1:18).

Jesus had *the same genes* as His Father, God by The Holy Spirit which overshadowed Mary at His birth. Moses asked God to reveal His glory to him. Then Elohim declares, *“I will make all my goodness pass before you”* (Exodus 33:18-19). Everything God *“is”* (His goodness) is *“in His glory.”* Elohim is *all* that God is,

was or can be. He is “*The I AM – The Almighty Existing One.*” Only The Father *builds all things* (Hebrews 3:4).

That Glory of God is *manifested* from the Holy Spirit of God (which is God). Paul tells *the young evangelist* that the Holy Spirit of God is all of the *power, love of God and His sound mind* (II Timothy 1:7).

Christ, from *birth*, inherited all that God is (Hebrews 1:1-3). That is exactly what God did with His people, by *adoption* from earthly fathers and mothers, by having “*God – In You*” through His Holy Spirit.

The Savior being The First Begotten, the word “*monogenus*” in Greek, was actually born directly from His Father. He was not adopted like Christians but every essence of The Father was “*In Him.*”

Paul said, “*Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus*” (Philippians 2:5). He thought like His Father, both with *the same sound mind*. He became *the author (Words of God) by the way He lived* (Hebrews 12:2). Christ was *an example* of God, The Father “*In Him*” through His *faith*. Do you grasp how great God’s *love* is? By now you should understand the *faith* of Jesus through His *works of faith* proved He was The Messiah.

Jesus, in *the flesh*, was The Son of Man, *a human*. He had to be *a human* or His *death* could *not save you*. How could Jesus be *a just judge*, if He could not comprehend what humans experience with all *the pain* and

suffering in this world (Hebrews 4:15)? Christ was completely *human*, with *free choice*, like you, or any other Christian – *to sin* or *not to sin*. He had to eat of The Tree of Life, The Holy Spirit, or The Tree of The Knowledge of Good and Evil (Babylon – confusion).

CONDITIONAL PROPHECY

Paul preached that *prophecy shall fail* (I Corinthians 13:8). “*Fail*” in Greek means “*to pause, rest, delay*” or “*conditional.*” Prophecy has no *set time* to occur unless *Biblically* stated. Time is not considered where no date is given, but is determined by human choices. If prophecy was pre-determined by a date, you would not have *free choice* but you would be nothing more than *robots*. God is making you in His “*image*” with complete *liberty* (Romans 8:4 or 21).

In Greek, “*liberty*” is “*eleuthria,*” having absolute *free choice*, just like God, The Father. You are to become *The Very Sons of God*, like The Savior. He is your *author* and *the example of The Father*, just as you *follow Christ* “*the hope of glory*” (Colossians 1:27). Jesus, as a human, had to have absolute *free choice* by *faith*. You have the same choice.

CHRIST THE SERVANT

Jesus, even though He had “*God – In Him*” and The Mind of God, had *free choice* to be whatever He decided to be or do, “*Who being in the form of God, thought it not robbery [stealing] to be equal [God’s image] with God*” (Philippians 2:6). The English word “*form*” in

Greek is “*morphe*,” meaning “*the exact fashion and likeness of God.*” Jesus did not think it *wrong* to be just like His Father. Many sons try to be *like their fathers* because they *love and admire their fathers*, as Jesus loved His Father.

God, is *the greatest servant of all* so Jesus made the same choice with His *own free will*, “*But made himself of no reputation [a great one] and took upon him the form [likeness] of a servant [like God] and was made in the likeness of men [human]*” (Philippians 2:7). Jesus was *a human servant*, and chose by free choice to *die* for you. By this example *Jesus* proved He was The Messiah. Because of the example of Jesus you must believe in faith He is The Messiah and, therefore, “*Work out our [your] own salvation with fear and trembling*” (Philippians 2:12).

There are no words to explain the wondrous “works” and “goodness” of the Creator – God. Just like Jesus set *the example* for the world, likewise you must be *a witness* of Him. Before Christ left to be with His Father in heaven, He told His Disciples how they should spend their human lives, “*But you shall receive power [like Jesus], after that the Holy Spirit is come upon you: and you shall be witnesses to me both in Jerusalem and in all Judea and in Samaria to the uttermost part of the earth*” (Acts 1:8). The Messiahship of Christ is completely dependent upon His *works*. Through the *faith* of Jesus Christ, by not committing *sin* and doing His Father’s “*work*,” He substantiated He was The First Begotten Son of God. It was His “*deeds*” and the way He lived, which proved He was The Messiah. By emu-

lating Christ as He witnessed His Father, you are *a witness* not only of Jesus but God, The Father. As you witness Christ, you will be able to become a Son.

CHAPTER 3

WITNESSES OF GOD

Is it a responsibility of Christians to convert the world? Thankfully, no. The word for “*church*” is “*ecclesia*” in Greek meaning “*called-out ones.*” Christians do not and cannot convert anyone. Your conversion is up to God. You are to be *witnesses* of Christ who honored The Father by His *works* and *faith*.

TWO OR THREE WITNESSES

The purpose of God is to make “*man*” in “*His own image*” (Genesis 1:26). This process takes time. God reveals all this so you have all the time you need to make your own free choices whether you have “*the faith*” to make the right decisions.

With your free choice you can do whatever you wish intellectually (reason). Unless you, of your own volition, cannot make the right choices, an Eternal Paradise will be impossible for you.

God was confronted by quite a problem. He wanted Sons of God to be *exactly* like Him but not merely *robots* ordering whatever He wanted. You must have complete liberty and still want to do what God would do. Only God and Christ are full of goodness and are

your only “true examples”.

Jesus had to fulfill this Godly system of *spiritual growth* to become *The Author*, The Firstborn of God, or He could not have been The Messiah. Your purpose is to voluntarily attain The Godly Goal of Perfection.

“*Faith*” is a primary requisite for “*Salvation.*” Only through *faith* can you achieve the goals of God. Free choice (liberty) to be whatever you choose to be in the *exact image* of the *Holiness* of God will, eventually, cause “*perfection.*” The final goal for all mankind is to be in His “*image*” (John 17:21,23). For that reason Christ was sent to “*save you*” (I John 4:14).

Christ gave His Disciples “a commission” to send to *the whole world* (Acts 1:18). You are to be *a witness* of Christ. The Apostle John declared you witness Jesus as The One to *Save* The World. Why is being *a witness* so necessary in this life for you to be a follower of The Savior? Would it not be better to simply “*convert*” people? No, it is only “*through Jesus*” that God calls you. This is done by the Holy Spirit of God which was “*In Christ*” from birth. Only by The name of the Messiah can God call you – “*To Him.*” “*No man can come to me, except the Father which has sent me* [by the Holy Spirit] *draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day*” (John 6:44).

God knows your heart (desires). He, also, knows when you should be called so you are ready to “*repent.*” Then, Jesus will raise you on *the last day* at the time of The White Throne Judgment (John 5:28-29).

This Last Day of Resurrection will come long after **The First Resurrection of The Bride** (John 5:24-25). The first resurrection is not the final White Throne Judgment. The Bride of Christ is having her *resurrection* as each Christian lives their life. As Peter said, “*Judgment must begin at the house of God...What shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God* [the rest of the world]?” (I Peter 4:17).

The real purpose of Christianity is to be *a witness* and not one who tries to *convert people*. Jesus did the same on *earth* as *a witness* but did not attempt to *convert people*. The lack of this attempt is one of *the scriptural proofs* that He is *The True Messiah*. He had to be *a servant, a waiter* to *help those* calling upon Him. As *The Messiah, The Author, The Beginner* of your *Salvation*, you must grow to be His *witness*.

The Law demands *two or three witnesses* in *court* for one to be guilty of *a crime* (Acts 20:23 and Romans 3:21). The responsibility of Christianity, *in this life*, is to *witness Christ*. Why? “*For the Father judges no man* [human] *but has committed all judgment to the Son*” (John 5:22).

How clear! This human existence is to *witness Christ* as *The Messiah*, because He is *the final judge* in *The White Throne Judgment*. As you prove *faithful to your death*, you are to become *witnesses as judges* in *The White Throne Judgment*. Now, life in this world can make *sense*.

Christians will be *the proof* of *the world's “guilt”* be-

fore the judgment seat of Christ. Christ is *the first witness, Christians and The Messianic Jews, as the second group of witnesses. The third witness is The Holy Spirit of God. The White Throne Judgment will be fair as no other trial has ever been. No one will deny their guilt, “But what say it? The word is near you, even in your mouth and in your heart: that is, the word of faith, which we preach; That if you shall confess with your mouth the LORD Jesus and shall believe in your heart that God has raised him from the dead, you shall be saved”* (Romans 10:8-9).

Paul concludes, “*For with the heart [desire] man believes [faith] to righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made to salvation”* (Romans 10:10). How simple and how wonderful.

What happens when *everyone is resurrected on the last day? “Wherefore God also has highly exalted him [Christ] and given him a name which is above every name [human and angel]: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven and things in earth and things under the earth [the dead]: And that every tongue [everyone] should confess that Jesus Christ is LORD [master], to the glory of God the Father”* (Philippians 2:9-11).

Then Paul warns each Christian must *work out their own Salvation with fear and trembling. Why? So, it will not be necessary for you to be judged in The White Throne Judgment. You, yourself, will be a judge (as a witness) with Christ through The Holy Spirit (Philippians 2:12). You will even judge angels* (I Corinthians

6:3).

When found to be *faithful* (after all you experience in this life), you will be a “*judge*” proving Jesus is The True Messiah of the world. Wow! The White Throne Judgment will be *the most “just court case”* in all of history.

Everyone will confess in heaven and on *earth* that Christ is The Messiah. His *sign* was that He was three days and three nights in *the grave* and then resurrected to receive the *glory* and *goodness* of God as *The Righteous Judge*.

It is by His *works* and how He lived, as a human being, which proved His Messiahship! You, by your *faithfulness* are also a *true witness* of Christ and, therefore, *worthy* by *your works* to be a *judge* of the world and the angels.

CHAPTER 4

THE WORKS OF CHRIST

Jesus came to *fulfill* everything foretold by *The Prophets*. It was His duty to perfectly complete *The Law*. Not one jot or *tittle* can *pass* until all will be *fulfilled* (Matthew 5:17-18). For Christ to be *The Messiah* and *no other*, He had to do everything God demanded.

FALSE SPIRITS

You now know how to tell the difference between false spirits and the Holy Spirit of God. True spirits led by God admit Jesus came in *the flesh* as a human being (I John 4). Those with false spirits led by *Satan* deny Jesus was The Christ. They claim The Messiah has not yet come. Moses was told when *a prophecy* does not happen, you should not be afraid, as it is not of God (Deuteronomy 18:22).

Many denominations in the study of *The Old Testament* claim events which occurred were prophesying Christ. As an example, Isaiah 7:14 foretells about a virgin who has a son who would be called "*Emmanuel*" (a description of The Birth of Jesus) (Matthew 1:23).

Even though the virgin, having a son, "*Emmanuel*," meaning "*God with us*." Historically, The Jews knew an Emmanuel would be born to a virgin, but they thought Jesus would be The Messiah (Isaiah 7:14).

In fact there are hundreds of prophecies which apply to The Savior in *The Old Testament*. In reality there are probably thousands of prophecies. Finding truth in the *word* of God is unending like *any doctrine*, which is “*a teaching*.” It is something like a lesson plan for the day given by a teacher. That one *doctrine* is not *the end* but merely *a part* of a whole.

Humans can discern from their *minds* many theories or possibilities such as evolution. These theories are unending (request the free book, *God’s Science Vs. Human Science*).

You can be sure The Messiah did what was written in The Gospels of *The New Testament*. These truths were written by The Apostles or their close followers in *the same time frame*. There were too many *witnesses* alive at that time to deny the truth.

It is even recorded that unbelievers of the day called *the miracles* He performed “*magic*.” A magician uses deceit to look as if what is being done is *real*. Magicians use tricks to accomplish their magic. God made the miracles Moses performed before Pharaoh. But, the magicians can only do so much magic. Never forget the great power of God who created, not only the magicians, but all mankind.

Christ claimed His generation was *evil* and *adulterous*. *The only sign* that proved His resurrection was, the three days and three nights He would be in the grave (John 11-12). But the leaders of The Jews tried to discount *this sign* by *posting guards* near His *tomb*

to be certain The Apostles did not steal the body. When the *resurrection* of Jesus proved He was The Messiah, the Jewish authorities claimed His body had been taken. But, because Jewish guards were at the entrance to the tomb the entire time, even The Jews could not deny this.

However, they say the guards fell asleep. Five hundred individuals saw Jesus in His “*resurrected form*” after many saw His *death* upon *the cross* (I Corinthians 15). Even The Romans claimed Jesus was *dead* and *spear*ed Him to be certain. Wow! Believers and non-believers of the day witnessed that Jesus died on *the cross* and *was gone* by *the third day*. How much proof do people need?

HOW CHRIST LIVED

Rather than dispute whether or not Christ was The True Messiah by His enemies or His followers, read *scriptures* which Jesus *fulfilled* perfectly (I John 4:14). You can *believe* or *not*, it is your *free choice*. The key to accept Jesus or Yashua as The Messiah and to give you *the way* to *Eternal Life* proves His *Messiahship*, as written by The Apostle John.

All religions concur that God is *love* (agapé – spiritual and eternal love). God has *eternal love* and unless you have that *same love*, you do not know God (I John 4:8)! “*No man has seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwells in us and his love [eternal] is perfected in us. Hereby know we that we dwell in him and he in us, because he has given us of his spirit [Holy Spirit]*”

(I John 4:12-13). You, now, have the facts from *The Scriptures*. The works of Christ not only testify He is The Messiah by *The Prophets* and *The Law*, perfectly, but *all the works* Jesus did are from the *eternal love* of God. It is the “love” of God, to the death, which proves His Messiahship and *The Author* you should follow. The Apostle John concluded that you must *testify* (*witness that love*) Jesus is The Messiah, who came to *Save The World* (I John 4:14).

This Spirit of Christ prophesied He would come with His suffering, “*To whom it was revealed, that not to themselves, but to us they [prophets] did minister [serve] the things, which are now reported to you by them that have preached the gospel to you with the Holy Ghost [Spirit] sent down from heaven; which things the angels desire to look into*” (I Peter 1:12).

Satan asked Jesus if He was *The Son of Man*. Satan, previously was a *light bringer*, which is “*Haylale*” (Hebrew). A Latin monk, in The Fourth Century, translated Jesus’ name as “*Lucifer*,” which meant “*the bright and morning star*” (which is Jesus). The Savior declared He was *the root* of David and The Bright and Morning Star (Revelation 22:16). *The Works* of Christ must do more than fulfill *prophecy* and *The Law*. His works must reveal all of the *spiritual and eternal love* of God. What greater “*work*” or “*love*” can a man give but to die for your sins? The death and resurrection of Jesus *proves* He is The Messiah, The Son of God, sent from heaven through The Holy Spirit of God.

CHAPTER 5

CHRIST'S LOVING WORKS

With hundreds and perhaps thousands of prophecies Jesus had to fulfill the important works proving His Messiahship. By going beyond *The Prophets* and *The Law*.

LAW AND PROPHETS

The Apostle John said that *The Law* was given by Moses but *grace* and *truth* came by Jesus Christ (John 1:17). This is a clear statement. *The Law* revealed the definition of *sin* but was not able to stop anyone from sinning (I John 3:4). *The Law* was given by Moses because of *transgression* (Galatians 3:19). God wanted The Twelve Tribes of Israel to know when they did sin. *The Law of Moses* was given until *The Promised Seed* would come.

The Law never could make anyone *perfect* (Hebrews 7:19). *The Commandment* was *just, Holy* and *good* but weak, because it could not change human nature. *The Commandment* only gave a *good* and *blessed life* on this earth. *The greatest gift* from His love for you is “*proof*” He was The Messiah.

The truth Jesus gave was He was *the author* who could lead you to *perfection*. He paid for your *sins*, because as The Son of Man He brought God to you through The Holy Spirit. Paul plainly related, “*For the Law made nothing perfect but the bringing in of a better hope*

did: by which we draw near to God” (Hebrews 7:19). Christ’s sacrifice gave you *grace* (forgiveness of your sins) when you, by *your choice*, want to make *a change* of your human nature to have a change of heart. God is The One who forgives you, even though Christ was, also, given the same authority (John 5).

Note what Israel *lacked* so they could not keep *The Commandments* given by God, “*O that there were such a heart in them, that they would fear me and keep all my commandments always, that it might be well with them and with their children forever*” (Deuteronomy 5:9). A true Christian must *repent*, have *a change of mind* to be like Christ. You need to think like God, so you can walk together in *a paradise* – forever (Amos 3:3).

The *blood* of Christ cannot cover your *sins*, until you *repent*. Then Jesus, by the authority of God, can forgive you. John said, “*For the Father judges no man but has committed all judgment to the son*” (John 5:22). “*For as the Father has life in himself, so has he given to the son to have life in himself*” (John 5:26).

Jesus, The Son of Man, was given *Eternal Life*. He, also, has the power to give *Eternal Life* to you. As humans, you are not covered by the blood of Christ, until you of your *own volition* make *your free choice* to change your human nature.

Christ, was *The Firstborn*, as your Author (the word) who had to prove His Messiahship by *living every Word of God*. He was the “*word*” of God by The Holy Spirit. By so doing He validates *a truth* that He was

The Messiah, *The Firstborn* of God to be followed by everyone but each in his own order, “*But now is Christ risen from the dead and become the firstfruits* [beginning one] *of them that slept* [dead]. *For since by man came death, by man [Christ] came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive. But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ’s at his coming*” (I Corinthians 15:20-23).

Jesus by His *faith* proved He was The Messiah through *the way He lived!* To receive *grace* by the *blood* of Christ is dependant upon *an order which must be freely determined by your choice*, when you have a *change of heart*. “*Perfection*” is “*the goal*,” but each of you by *your faith* must continue to *live by every Word of God* (not Christ, as a human). It is the Holy Spirit of God which is all His *power, love* and the superior *mind* of God (II Timothy 1:7). It is the *glory* of God which is *all* of the *goodness* of God. God is “*Elohim*,” consisting of His *complete Godhead*. It was God, *Himself*, who gave *mercy* to Christ, who, in turn gives it to *mankind* in order for you to, one day, give it to others. It is the *work* of God and not Christ’s, not *yours* and not anyone else’s. It is God and all He is who *makes man* in His *image* (Genesis 1:26). That is why Jesus told you it is the *work* of God and not His. He is The Word of God by the Holy Spirit of God (John 6:29).

EVERY MAN’S ORDER

Each individual must decide for themselves when they *grow from faith to faith*. If you *grow in faith* to the *love*

of God – you no longer have any fear because “*perfect love casts out fear*” (I John 4:18). Christ tells you that *The First Resurrection* is only for those who hear His voice as The Bride of Christ (John 5:25-30). Then, He foretells of “*A Second Resurrection*” for the rest of the world, “*Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear His voice and shall come forth; they that have done good, to the resurrection of life [wedding guests]; and they that have done evil, to the resurrection of damnation [judgment]*” (John 5:28-29). There is a specific order for everyone to come – “To Christ.”

WHO IS THE JUDGE?

Even Jesus, The Messiah, does not make the final condemnation, “*I can of my own self [human] do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is just; because I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father [God’s mind] which has sent me*” (John 5:30).

Jesus, from His *birth*, had a *full measure* of The Holy Spirit of God (John 3). He was *the very Word* of God (The word of The Father). God Himself *sent His Holy Spirit* from heaven to give Jesus His words. *The Word of God* proved Jesus was The Firstborn Son of God doing His Father’s word. Jesus, by His *faith*, became *the firstfruit* to be followed by you – *each in your own specific order*.

CHAPTER 6

THE MESSIAH'S WORKS

Hundreds of prophecies foretell who would be The Messiah. Since there is enough agreement with The Messiahship, the evidence is overwhelming that they all agree on this. You should only cover those with which most agree.

THE SEED OF A WOMAN

The Messiah will destroy Satan (Genesis 3:15). The Birth of Christ was from Mary and Joseph as His adopted father (Luke 2). Mary's virgin birth was attacked by the religious hierarchy of the day, when they lied and told Jesus He was born of *fornication* (John 8:41). They claimed Christ's mother had committed fornication with a Roman Centurion. Obviously, her claim of a virginal birth was known but not believed.

Jesus won His battle with Satan in the wilderness (Matthew 4). He had destroyed Satan who thereafter became *the devil*. When Christ was to be crucified, He said that Satan was cast out of heaven with little time left. *The judgment* would begin upon The House of God (John 12:31-32). The time of Salvation began and fulfilled the promise of God in Genesis 3:15.

God guaranteed *a Promised Seed* would come and bless the whole world (Genesis 12:3). Christ said, "*He would drag all men to Him*" (John 12). It was proph-

esied **The Messiah *would* be born in Bethlehem** (Micah 5:2). **And He was, indeed, born there** (Luke 2:4, 5, 7).

The Old Testament* foretells of Rachel crying for her children when Herod wanted to kill all males under two years of age so **The Messiah would not have lived* (Jeremiah 31:15 and Matthew 2:16-18).

The Son of God is described as coming out of Egypt (Hosea 11:1 and Matthew 2:14-15). **All these prophecies told *the events* that would occur, when Jesus would be born.**

John, The Baptist was “*The Elijah to come,*” who announced Christ as *The Bridegroom*. Even **The Coming of The Messiah restoring The Temple is foretold (Malachi 3:1, Luke 7:24, 27 and John 3:29). **God tells Moses – *a prophet* would come in time like him and only speak His “*words*” as **The Word of God** (Deuteronomy 18:15). **Peter reminded Israel that **The Messiah would complete this declaration by Moses** (Acts 3:20, 22).******

The purpose of the Messiah for coming was to heal the broken-hearted (Isaiah 61:1, 2). **He would proclaim *liberty* instead of captivity** (Luke 4:18, 19).

Isaiah 53:3 warns Christ would be *rejected* by His people, as Zechariah 9:9 foretells Jesus riding into Jerusalem on an ass and the people would *hail* Him as their king (Mark 11:7, 9 and 11).

Psalm 11:9 reveals that His friend, who ate bread

at The Passover with Him, would betray Him (Luke 22:47-48).

Zechariah 11:12 informs you Judas would receive thirty pieces of *silver* to betray Him (Matthew 26:15).

Psalm 35:4 shows *false witnesses* would *lie* at His trial (Mark 14:57-58).

Isaiah 53:7 tells you Christ would remain silent at His trial and not defend Himself (Mark 15:4-5). They even *spat* and hit Him as He remained *silent* (Isaiah 50:6 and Matthew 26:67).

Isaiah 53:19 proclaims the people were happy and joyful over Christ's proclaimed guilt and *sacrifice*. He was beaten by *stripes* for the healing of everyone (Romans 5:6, 8).

Isaiah 53:12 states Jesus was not to be crucified by Himself but with *male factors* (criminals) (Mark 15:27).

Psalm 69:21 said The Messiah was given vinegar and gall to drink (Matthew 27:34).

Psalm 22:17, 18 proclaims soldiers gambled for possession of His *coat* (Matthew 27:35).

Psalm 34:20 proclaims none of His *bones* were broken (John 19:32, 33, 36).

Zechariah 12:10 states they pierced His side (John 19:34).

Isaiah 53:9 says He was to be buried in *a rich man's tomb* (Matthew 27:57-60).

Psalm 16:10 and **Psalm 49:15** foretell The Messiah was promised to be resurrected (Mark 16:6,7). And He was!

Psalm 68:18 prophesies Jesus would go to heaven and sit on the right hand of God (Mark 16:19, I Corinthians 15:4 and Ephesians 4:8).

BOOKS WITHOUT END

John concluded The Gospels with these words, “*And there are also many other things [works] which Jesus did, the which, if they should be written every one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written, Amen*” (John 21:25).

These works were prophesied for The Coming Messiah in *The Law*. *Prophecies* and *The Psalms* foretold what He would do. John, concluded that The Messiah, could have so many books written about His *good works* and *faith* there would never be an end.

Jesus spoke of His *works*, “*These are the words which I spoke to you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses and in the prophets and in the psalms, concerning me*” (Luke 24:44). This book only states several of these prophesies from *The Law*, *Prophecies* and *Psalms*. Those prophesies which were chosen to be written in *The Bible* are generally accepted by most Christians,

Jews and Muslims.

Debatable *Old Testament* accounts of The Coming Messiah are left for those who choose to argue the facts. Those *scriptures* quoted previously in Chapter 6 are the ones usually accepted by most people. The accounts are sufficient to prove the details of their *works* and *verify* Jesus is *The Messiah of God*. From Genesis to Malachi covering thousands of years by different authors with *small details* concerning The Savior provide proof beyond doubt. Above all Christ never sinned.

Through centuries, enemies of Christ have tried to counterfeit *the truth* of The Messiah by *false* accusations. They called His mother *a fornicator*, had guards by His *tomb* and still claimed He never died. Those *Gnostic* (philosophical) books were written as though they came from The Apostles.

Gnostics were not *a religion* but philosophers of the day, each differing one from another depending upon their nation and culture. Whether Egyptian Gnostics, Jewish Gnostics, Indian Gnostics, Chinese or others, all hold to their own ideologies and views (distortion of the spiritual knowledge they had been taught), *much* as is the case in today's world.

The Gospels tell of "*The Life of Christ*" as a human and His works. The Gospels tell what His enemies said about Him and have given them enough *ammunition*.

Still, very little (next to nothing) is written concerning

***The Old Testament* prophecies in Chapter 6. They *testify to the works* that Jesus is The Christ and The Messiah. These pronouncements, however, are not only *weak* but unproven.**

CHAPTER 7

SATAN – THE ENEMY

Prophecy and *Biblical* history announce *Satan is the culprit* who *deceives* and tries to *destroy the* people of God. Satan, as prophesied in Genesis 3:15, constantly snaps at the heels of the people of God. Jesus finally kills its poisonous *head*. Penetrating the people of God is the deceiver's number-one goal.

ISRAEL AND SATAN

After Assyria took The Ten Tribes of Israel captive only Judah, composed of two and a half tribes, were left.

Judah was the majority tribe known as The Jews. Genesis 49:10 foretells The Tribe of Judah will be *The Keepers of The Scepter of David* until Shiloh comes to rebuild the temple of God.

When The Messiah was born, Satan constantly deceived Judah and the two and a half tribes. What a person believes will be used against them by Satan if he can. After returning from Babylon, they really learned to *strictly* keep *The Law of Moses*. In fact, they made up rules so *strict* Jesus said they became *burdensome*.

Satan also used *The Law of Moses* against them. Christ

said The Pharisees sat in Moses' seat and they should do what they teach but do not follow their works or their way of life (Matthew 23:1-2), "*For they bind heavy burdens and grievous to be born and lay them on men's shoulders; but they themselves will not move them with one of their fingers*" (Matthew 23:4).

Just as it is today, governments do not expect to do what they ask of their citizens. The Congress and The Senate are just not honorable. This is similar to *Satan's system of deception*, just as he deceived Eve.

THE PHARISEES

Nicodemus, a Pharisee and one of the chief leaders of The Jews, believed in Jesus and often came to Him secretly to learn the truth (John 3). Pharisees lived their lives following their religion very strictly. Their entire lives surrounded their *faith*. They knew their *scriptures*. Nicodemus, however, believed in Jesus.

By the time of the conference in Jerusalem concerning The Keeping of *The Law of Moses* and *circumcision* for The Gentiles, many Pharisees believed Jesus was The Messiah (Acts 15:5). They were *a sect* in the belief of Jesus as The Savior but adhered to The Old Covenant and The Keeping of *The Law of Moses* and *circumcision*.

At that time, to become *a Jew*, a Gentile had to be *circumcised*. This was the primary step to be taken. All *males* had to be circumcised, because their *sperm* gave life to the woman's *ovum* and that life could be *nour-*

ished like any seed in a fruit.

To belong to *a sect* meant to be *set apart* as “*different*” from most believers. Pharisees were *super-strict* in their religious *life*. But were super-strict with those they taught and gave themselves many ways out, especially when it came to filthy lucre. The English word for “*sect*” in Greek was “*a heretic.*”

“*Christianity*” in The Jewish Community was considered “*a sect,*” as a part of a whole. The Pharisees were also a part of the church. Those who were *Jews* were called The Messianic Jews, because they believed in Christ as The Messiah. *The Gentile Christians* did not have to be circumcised or keep *The Law of Moses* because they already had The Holy Spirit of God. This Spirit led them into more than *The Letter of The Law*. During the days of Jesus, as a human, there were twenty-eight sects.

With The Gentiles receiving The Holy Spirit of God, without the need for *circumcision* or The Keeping *The Law of Moses*, they needed to hold a conference to learn new truths, teachings or doctrines. The Churches of God were both The Messianic Jews and The Gentiles (both considered Christians). They all believed that Jesus was The Christ (Anointed One) and *truly The Messiah.*

The Pharisees knew *the scriptures* like *the scribes* and *rabbis* but lived their lives as Jewish *separatists*. They knew *the prophecies*, *The Law* and *The Psalms* which foretold His coming and what He had to *fulfill* to be

their *Messiah*. There was *no doubt* in their *minds* about *The Messiah*.

The Pharisees already knew and accepted Christ. They also lived when He was upon *the earth* as a human and were there, when Jesus was living in the flesh.

Nicodemus believed Jesus was The Messiah. However, The Pharisees who also believed, were more concerned about losing their careers and livelihood. The Pharisees who did not accept Christ were afraid The Romans would take away their *right of religious freedom*. Here is what Jesus said, “*He that rejected me and received not my words, has one who judges him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day* [God]. *For I have not spoken of myself; but the Father which sent me* [Holy Spirit], *he gave me a commandment, what I should say and what I should speak* [Deuteronomy 18]. *And I know that his commandment is life* [truth] *everlasting: whatsoever I speak therefore, even as the Father said to me, so I speak*” (John 12:48-50).

Jesus, The Son of Man – a human as prophesied, and was not *a second being* as “*the word*” with God. He became “*the word*” at *birth*. He inherited all the words and thoughts of God.

When Jesus was captured, The High Priest asked Him who He was, “*I spoke openly to the world; I ever taught in the synagogue and in the temple, whether the Jews always resort; and in secret have I said nothing. Why ask you me? Ask them which heard me, what I have said to*

them: behold, they know what I said” (John 18:20-21).

They were without excuse and knew *everything* Christ said and did. Jesus’ *warning* to them was, “*And some of the Pharisees which were with him heard these words and said to him, Are we blind also [like the people]? Jesus said to them, If you were blind, you should have no sin: but now you say, We see; therefore your sin remains”* (John 9:40-41).

It seems The Pharisees and The Messanic Jews knew better and, finally, after His resurrection followed Him. They were without excuse.

Too much truth existed about who Jesus was from His birth to His death. Even as a twelve-year-old they questioned Him, “*And it came to pass [Passover time], that after three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors [teachers], both hearing them and asking them questions. And all that heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers. And when they saw him, they were amazed: and his mother said to him, Son, why have you thus dealt with us? Behold, your father [Joseph] and I have sought you sorrowing [worried]. And he said to them, How is it that you sought me? Wist you not that I must be about my Father’s business?*” (Luke 2:46-49).

Jesus, as a boy, was in *the temple* talking to *doctoral teachers*. They were amazed by His theological answers concerning *The Truth* of God. Every *renowned person* or *celebrity* of His *day* knew what Jesus did and said. His *works* were evident to *all* who were the lead-

ers along with the commoners.

There were too *many witnesses* to *deny* He was The Messiah. It was only as *time* passed that, later, *false prophets, scribes, rabbis, preachers, popes and fathers of the churches*, became confused about Jesus. False preachers brought doubt because they, as in today's "fiction," is very popular. Those in His day *all knew* His *great works* and that He was The Messiah. The choice is yours!

If you are not in the group of "*the unlearned*" and you have asked God to open your eyes, you, too, know God sent His Son so *everyone* can receive Salvation. And, that my friend means you will be eternal – you will live forever in a Paradise.

God wants you to want Him – no robots are in this scenario. The choice is yours. But you must be certain, pray, repent and make the right choice. And remember the angels are there to help you as you climb *the ladder to love*. This will lead you to the Gift of Salvation – Eternal Life.