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From God or Man?

THIS IS NOT IN THE BIBLE

The Sinner's Prayer

Heavenly Father

I come to you in prayer asking for the forgiveness of my Sins. I confess with my mouth and believe with my heart that lesus is your Son, And that he died on the Cross at Calvary that I might be forgiven and have Eternal Life in the Kingdom of Heaven. Father. I believe that Jesus rose from the dead and I ask you right now to come in to my life and be my personal tord and Savior. I repent of my Sins and will Worship you all the day's of my Life! Because your word is truth, I confess with my mouth that I am Born Again and Cleansed by the Blood of Jesus! In Jesus Name, Amen.

No one in the Bible was saved by saying this!

BUT THIS IS IN THE BIBLE

Acts 2:37-42

37 Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Men and brethren, what shall we do?"

38 Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. 39 For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord our God will call."

41 Then those who gladly received his word were baptized; and that day about three thousand souls were added to them. NKIV

Many have been saved by obeying this!

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Welcome
To All Our

"For Ye Are Not Come To A Mount ..."

Jim MacDonald

"...that might be touched, and that burned with fire, and unto blackness, and tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and the voice of words; which voice they that heard entreated that no word more should be spoken unto them, for they could not endure that which was enjoined, If even a beast touch the mountain, it shall be stoned; and so fearful was the appearance that Moses said, I exceedingly fear and quake ..." (Heb 12:18-21).

The writer had urged the Hebrews to look carefully lest any man should fall short of the grace of God, lest haply there be a root of bitterness springing up among them and they be defiled. This followed his appeal that the Hebrews take courage, that they lift up the hands which hung down and the palsied knee. The scenes and events he had written of, which caused even Moses to quake and tremble, were different things which had been written of the days at Sinai when Moses had been given the law. Those days were gone and now the Hebrews were come unto "Mt. Zion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable hosts of angels, to the general assembly and church of the first born who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the Spirits of just men made perfect, and to Jesus the mediator of a new covenant and to the blood of sprinkling that speaketh better things than that of Abel" (Heb. 12:22-24).

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Mt. Zion in the scriptures is a reference to a higher, spiritual realm. It was out of Zion that the law was to go forth (Isa. 2:2-4). The heavenly Jerusalem is mentioned in Galatians for Paul, in his allegory of Hagar and Sarah, likened Sarah to the "Jerusalem which is above" and which John saw when he wrote to the seven Asian churches: "I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God" (Gal. 4:21ff; Rev. 21:1). Again, this latter reference to the "new Jerusalem" is followed by the words, "made ready as a bride adorned for her husband," which calls to mind Paul's words of the glorious church which Christ will present to Himself, without spot or wrinkle and of which he further mentions to the Corinthians when he wrote them: "I am jealous over you with a godly jealousy for I espoused you to one husband, that I might present you as a pure virgin to Christ" (Eph. 5:27; 2 Cor. 11:2). All these things only serves to teach that "Mount Zion," "city of the living God," and "heavenly Jerusalem" all are references to the church both as it now is and what it will become. Indeed he adds further to these when he says, "to the general assembly and church of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven." Just as Israel of old stood at the Mount of God and had come "unto God," so today in Mt. Zion, men may draw nigh unto God. These had come to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, to the blood of sprinkling which speaketh better things than that of Abel.

All these expressions are designed to show a contrast between the law and system revealed at Sinai and the law and system revealed in Mt. Zion. Obviously Mt. Zion was not that which caused one to be afraid, but that which inspired and produced courage, confidence, and joy. Then they are commanded, "See that ye refuse not him that speaketh." They, and we, must listen to Christ. We must not turn again to the beggarly rudiments by which we would again be placed in bondage; we must listen to God's Son! The book began with the declaration that in "these last days" God has spoken to us in His Son (1:1f). We are warned to give heed to His words (Heb. 2:1ff). Now, once more, the writer urges that we not refuse Him who speaks.

"O lord, thou hast searched me, and known me. Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising, thou understandest my thought afar off. Thou compassest my path and my lying down, and art acquainted with all my ways. For there is not a word in my tongue, but, lo, O LORD, thou knowest it altogether"

(Psalm 139:1-4).

THE GREATNESS OF THE CHURCH OF CHRIST Jerry W. Joseph

The church of Christ as revealed in the New Testament is in existence today and one can be a member. The Lord himself promised to build it as recorded in Matthew 16:17-19. That promise was fulfilled on the day of Pentecost following the ascension of our Lord (Acts 1). We read of the beginning of the church in the city of Jerusalem as recorded in Acts 2. Acts 2 is a key passage in learning about the establishment of the church.

The church of our Lord has been restored today. If not, as some proclaim, how can I be a member today? One can know today whether he is a member of the New Testament church by looking at the pattern, identifying marks as presented in the New Testament.

The church of our Lord is the greatest institution that one can be a member of today. The importance and greatness of the church can be seen in her...

PLANNED COMPLETENESS From the divine side the church is perfect, whole and lacking nothing. It cannot be improved upon. It will endure and last, for it was (1)Purposed by God (Ephesians 3:10-11); (2)Prophesied by God's prophets (Isaiah 2:2-4; Daniel 2:44); (3)Promised by God's Son (Matthew 16:18-19) and (4)Purchased by the blood of God's Son (Acts 20:28; Ephesians 5:23-26).

PERFECT COMMANDER Christ is the head of the church. As we obey his word, we are being led by Him. He will never lead us down the wrong path (Ephesians 1:22-23; Colossians 1:18; Hebrews 1:1-3; 4:15).

POWERFUL COMMUNICATION That which the church is to communicate to others is the Word of God, the most powerful message of all (Rom. 1:16-17; James 1:21; I Peter 4:11; II Timothy 3:15-4:4).

PRIMARY CHARGE The primary charge, commission of the church is the salvation of souls through the spreading of the word, serving and strengthening others (Luke 19:10; Matthew 28:18-20; Galatians 6:2, 10; Romans 14:19).

PLEASANT COMPANIONSHIP What a fellowship we have in Jesus Christ. To have fellowship with God and those who are godly is truly a great blessing (I John 1:6-7).

If we obey the will of the Father (Matthew 7:21) by believing in Christ (John 8:24); by repenting of sins (Luke 13:3); by confessing Christ (Matthew 10:32-33); and by being baptized (Acts 2:38) we will be added to the church of Christ.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ➤ Jan 31 Evening Song Service
- ➤ Feb 7 Men's Business Meeting & Ladies' Class
- Please give support money for Chinese orphans to Minnie Kennell
- ➤ Wireless Internet Password: 94615548