

# Endzeitprophezeiung

Endlich geht die Welt wieder einmal unter! Die end-times-prophecy.org hat das erkannt und prophezeit es nun aller Welt. Wenig überraschend sitzen die Propheten in gods own country, also in den USA!

Eine Übersetzung war zuviel Aufwand, aber soviel verstehen wir auch in englischer Sprache! In den USA sind solche Sachen keine Spinnereien von Kleingruppen, sowas findet dort immer wieder massenhafte Anhängerschaften!

Spaß beim Lesen wird gewünscht!

## End Times Prophecy

**A war over worship is coming!** We are entering the last great conflict - A battle between the laws of men and the precepts of Jehovah. Between Bible truth and the religion of fable and tradition! "*Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision: for the day of the Lord is near in the valley of decision.*"(Joel 3:14)

**The end times** are here and Bible prophecy is fast being fulfilled. "*The hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.*" (Rev 3:10) will soon be upon us, and all who are not firmly established upon God's Word and the righteousness of Jesus Christ will be deceived and overcome. Satan "*works with all power and signs and lying wonders .. with all deceivableness of unrighteousness*" (2 Thess. 2:9-10) to gain control of mankind, and his deceptions will increase right up to the very end.

**Jesus Christ** is at the center of end times Bible prophecy. He is our righteousness and salvation. He is the truth. And Revelation 14:12 tells us that the saints are not those who merely have faith IN Jesus. But those who 'keep the commandments of God and the faith OF Jesus'. In other words, Jesus' faith is being lived out in their lives.

### **IS CHRIST LIVING IN YOU? (Galatians 2:20) ARE YOU CLOTHED WITH HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS?'**

Anyone who thinks they can get past Satan's deceptions without the truth of Christ and His righteousness are sorely mistaken. Only those who are **earnestly seeking** a knowledge of the truth and are striving to purify their souls through obedience, being doers of God's Word, will find in Jehovah, a sure defense. "*Because thou hast kept the word of My patience, I also will keep thee.*" (Rev 3:10), is Christ's promise. The final events are upon us friends. It's time to turn from our sins and submit our lives fully to Jesus Christ.



"Now is the time when we should closely connect with Jesus, that we may be hid under His wings when the fierceness of God's wrath is poured upon the world. **We have wandered away from the old Biblical landmarks. Let us return.** If the Lord be God, serve Him; if Baal, serve him. Which side will you be on?" (Testimonies for the Church, Vol.5, p 137)

We are here to bring you the much needed truth about Bible prophecy and the latest news relating to the end times. This world is on the very edge of eternity and we are soon to see that "*great and dreadful day of the Lord*", when Jesus Christ with all His holy angels will burst upon the world with great glory to claim what is rightfully His. **Are you saved? See What Must I do to be Saved?**<sup>2</sup> Here you will not only be shown the truth about Bible prophecy and the end times, you will also receive wise council as to how you should be living in these last days, just before the second coming of Jesus.

*Isaiah 58:1 ... 'Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and show my people their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins.'*

*"In our work, we need men of moral independence, uncontaminated and unshackled, so that when a principle of religion or duty is at stake they will stand firm in defense of the truth. **We need men who will not hold their peace when they see evils coming in and wrongs being done. We need men who will refuse to give consent by silence to unjust actions.**" (E.White, Manuscript Releases, Vol.9, Letter 116, 1905)*

In studying Bible prophecy, you will find that it contains some of the most solemn warnings, and we are here to give those warnings to the world. We are truly living in the end times now, and as the Bible reveals in Revelation 12, Satan has come down to this earth with "great fury" knowing that his time is short, and he is using all his power to deceive us and keep us from Jesus Christ.



<sup>1</sup> Bist du mit seiner Gerechtigkeit bekleidet - wie man das wird ist im Abschnitt "Condition of the Professed Church" - Zustand der bekennenden Kirche ab Seite 3 nachzulesen

<sup>2</sup> wie du gerettet wirst, kannst du im Abschnitt "What Must I do to be Saved?" ab Seite 6 nachlesen!

We MUST make every effort to press into God's Kingdom and through the righteousness of Christ we can overcome the evil one. Here at end times prophecy we will not be moved by worldly excitement or false revivals, because we have our minds fixed within the Heavenly sanctuary, where Jesus resides. This is a time of great spiritual peril, and we are called to turn away from sin and live holy lives for our Creator God.



### Time to Get Ready

We are in the last hour, **the day of the Lord is at hand**, and it is time to get ready. The final calls are going out to the world. God is preparing to pour out His Spirit upon His people and we must be earnest in praying for that Spirit to fall upon us. We must depart from sin, humble our hearts and fall before the One who can save us, our Lord, Saviour and soon coming King, Jesus Christ, the Son of the living God. So many professing Christians do not know the urgency of the situation. The whole theme of the Bible is of urgency to turn to God and turn away from sin, especially in these end times we live in.



"All who profess to be the children of God need now to realize that we are living in perilous times. The end of all things is near at hand. The signs are rapidly fulfilling, yet it would seem that but few realize that the day of the Lord is coming swiftly, silently as a thief in the night. Many are saying "peace and safety". Unless they are watching for their Lord, they will be taken as in a snare." (E.G.White, Last Day Events, P.18)

### Israel in the End Times

What is end times prophecy about? Is it all about the nation of Israel like so many prophecy students and teachers believe? No, Bible prophecy is given for the benefit of ALL people, to warn us of things to come, not in Israel, but the WHOLE world. The problem is, these prophecy teachers who look to the nation of Israel for the fulfillment of end time prophecy ignore the plain truth that is taught in the New Testament, that the literal nation of Israel are no longer God's special chosen nation. For we are now "ALL ONE IN CHRIST JESUS."

You CANNOT understand Bible prophecy until you take your eyes off literal Israel!

### Israel in End Time Bible Prophecy<sup>3</sup>

It was the Roman Catholic Jesuits who started this false teaching that the fulfillment of end time Bible prophecy would happen with the nation of Israel, and the reason they did this was because the Bible reveals the Roman Catholic Church as the main antichrist system.<sup>4</sup> A truth which all the brave Protestant reformers knew about and proclaimed. So the Jesuits re-interpreted prophecy, taking the focus off the Roman Catholic Church and placing the focus of the end times on the literal nation of Israel. And the majority of prophecy students today have fallen for the lie. But the truth is, the chosen people of God are now those who are IN Jesus Christ, whether they be Jew or Gentile. Please see the great study above concerning Israel in the End Times for the truth of this important and misunderstood subject.

### End Time Signs

The world is buckling under great pressure. Earthquakes, tsunamis, wildfires, tornadoes, mass animals dying.<sup>5</sup> These things are just a fraction of the destroying forces raging throughout our world. Nature isn't the only thing going wrong in our world today. Everything else seems to be going horribly wrong too. War, terrorism, economic trouble, increase in sin and Godlessness. Confusion and strife reigns everywhere in this world today. God is withdrawing His Spirit from the earth ready for the last days and Satan is gaining more and more control.

The world is in such a mess these days that even non religious people are starting to think what is going on and what will become of all this. And what is the answer? Why are all these things happening in our day? The answer can only be found through a source that the majority of people have forgotten about ... **THE BIBLE!** When you study the Word of God you will see that these things were prophesied to happen a long time ago. Then the mystery begins to unfold and our eyes begin to open as to why this world is in such a terrible state.

Please read through this site and find out the great end time prophecy truths that God has revealed to His people. The TRUTH will set you free!

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<sup>3</sup> Siehe Link <http://www.end-times-prophecy.org/israel-end-times.html>

<sup>4</sup> Bitte sehr, hier der Link zum katholischen Antichristen! <http://www.end-times-prophecy.org/who-is-the-bible-antichrist-today.html>

<sup>5</sup> auch dazu gibt's einen Link! <http://www.end-times-prophecy.org/animal-deaths-birds-fish-end-times.html>

## Condition of the Professed Church

**This is possibly the most important message that all of God's professed people need to hear and heed. Please take some time to prayerfully read, study and contemplate this vitally important message.**

So many people right now who profess to be waiting for the second coming of Jesus Christ, do not have on the garment of Christ's righteousness. And what did Jesus say about those who do not have on the proper garments? ... *Matthew 22:13 ... 'And when the king came in to see the guests, he saw there a man which had not on a wedding garment: And he saith unto him, Friend, how camest thou in hither not having a wedding garment? And he was speechless. Then said the king to 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.' ...* Jesus confirmed that those who do not have the right wedding garment (the righteousness of Christ) will be forever lost and cast into the lake of fire. We might 'profess' to be followers of Jesus, which is why the man in the parable is actually AT the wedding. But a mere profession does nothing for us. We must have the garment of Christ to be saved.

*"Oh yes, Jesus died for me on the cross!" ...* The message of the gospel - of Jesus dying for our sins, has become so formal and plain that there is no power in it anymore in our churches!

*2 Timothy 3:5 ... 'Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.'*

**Do you not realize what God the Father and His Son Jesus Christ did for us? Their great sacrifice should break every one of our hearts and cause us to fall on our knees and proclaim, "Father, I am yours! And all I have is yours! What would you have me do?"**

The Son of God, the Majesty of heaven, the King of kings, our Creator, left His exalted position next to His Father in heaven and came down to this wretched, sin laden earth, and took on our fallen nature. This Majesty, this King of kings, the Prince of heaven, was rejected by His very own people, whom He led from bondage. And He so humbled Himself that He even bore the shame of the cross. Jesus didn't just die for us, He died on a cross, in between two thieves!



Oh what love! Behold the Lamb of God! This love of God and the sacrifice made needs to be our daily thought and contemplation. Then, as we **"behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed upon us."** (1 John 3:1), we will draw nearer to our blessed Saviour. And Jesus will draw near to us and heal us.

The reason why Laodicea is so wretched and sickly, is because the professed people of God have only a "surface knowledge" of the truth. But they have failed to put that knowledge into a real living and active faith in Jesus Christ. They think they are "rich" through their mere knowledge. But in reality, because their faith is not an active, true regenerating faith, they are wretched and poor, and this condition is utterly repulsive to our Holy God.

**Without Jesus dwelling in our hearts, our religion is dead formalism!**

*"Are not the symptoms of decay and declension painfully visible in the midst of the Christian churches of today? Spiritual death has come upon the people that should be manifesting life and zeal, purity and consecration, by the most earnest devotion to the cause of truth. The facts concerning the real condition of the professed people of God, speak more loudly than their profession, and make it evident that some power has cut the cable that anchored them to the Eternal Rock, and that they are drifting away to sea, without chart or compass." (Review and Herald, July 24, 1888)*

**Revelation 3:16 ... 'So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth.'**

*"As the storm approaches, a large class who have professed faith in the third angel's message, but have not been sanctified through obedience to the truth, abandon their position and join the ranks of the opposition ... Those who have assumed the ornaments of the sanctuary, but are not clothed with Christ's righteousness, will then appear in the shame of their own nakedness." (Maranatha, p.196)*

So what must we do to remedy this condition? We must enter into a true personal relationship, by faith, with our Redeemer, so that He can turn our lives from poor and wretched, into righteousness in Him ... *Revelation 3:18 ... '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.'*

## Christ and HIS Righteousness

*Daniel 9:7 ...'O Lord, **righteousness belongeth unto thee.**'     *Jeremiah 23:6 ...'he shall be called, **THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS.****

*Matthew 5:6 ...'Blessed are they which do **hunger and thirst after righteousness:** for they shall be filled.'*

There is only one remedy for the sickness of the professed church today, and that is the righteousness of Jesus Christ. The Lord counsels us to be clothed with His garment (Rev. 3:18), so that when God sees us at the wedding banquet, He sees us through the righteousness of His Son. The question is, are you wearing the 'white raiment' of Jesus Christ? Are you not only 'waiting' for the Lord's return, but also allowing Christ to  dwell in you day by day?

*Galatians 2:20 ...'I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but **Christ liveth in me:** and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.*

Our lives need to be hid in Christ. We need now to be living the faith **of** the Son of God. That Majesty of all heaven, who gave His life for us, can live in us, through His Holy Spirit and '*transform us by the renewing of our minds, that we may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.* (Romans 12:2)

*Ephesians 4:23-24 ...' And be renewed in the spirit of your mind; And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created **in righteousness and true holiness.***

As the apostle Paul confirmed in Romans 3:10, there is none that is righteous, and in 1 Corinthians 6:9, he confirms that no unrighteous person will enter the kingdom of God. So it is imperative that we be cleansed from our unrighteousness and clothed with the righteous garments of Christ Jesus. Now it is clear from the Word of God that we can do nothing to save ourselves. This salvation, this grace of our heavenly Father is freely bestowed upon us, because His own Son took the full penalty for our sin. Again, **what manner of love the Father has bestowed upon us!**

The law points out sin, but cannot deliver us from sin, which is why the imputed righteousness of God is without our own works (Romans 4). The law declares us sinners, which in turn directs us to Jesus Christ. No works of the law in of ourselves can make us justified (Romans 4). Only by faith can we be declared righteous through Christ.

Due to our sin, we deserve death. But because of the matchless love of God, we may be accounted righteous before Him, through faith in His Son. When we repent of our sins and believe in Christ, our faith is counted as righteousness. Oh what love and great compassion our God has for us!

We are in need of a regeneration, a new birth. Without this, the sinner will remain under the condemnation of God's changeless, holy law. As the Word of God confirms, it is only those who are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh that are not condemned. Are you dear reader living each day IN our Lord and Saviour? Are you dear reader walking after the Spirit and not the world?

*Romans 8:1-6 ...'There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death. For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh: That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit. For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.*

Righteousness is opposite to sin. Do you see that friend?

While we cannot be saved by our own works of the law, we also cannot be saved without obedience to the law giver, Jehovah. But that obedience is not of ourselves, it is Christ's obedience working IN us, through our daily submitting to Him, causing us to do His good will and pleasure. "*No repentance is genuine that does not work reformation in the heart and mind. The righteousness of Christ is not some 'cloak' to cover unconfessed and unfor-saken sin. It does not cover continued wilful sin (Hebrews 10:26). It is a principle of life that transforms the character and controls the conduct. Holiness is wholeness for God; it is the entire surrender of heart and life to the indwelling of the principles of heaven.*" (Desire of Ages, p.555-556)

*Isaiah 51:7 ...'Hearken unto me, **ye that know righteousness, the people in whose heart is my law;** fear ye not the reproach of men, neither be ye afraid of their revilings.'*

*Romans 6:1-2, 15-16 ...'What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound? God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein? ... What then? shall we sin, because we are not under the law, but under grace? God forbid. Know ye not, that to whom ye **yield yourselves** servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of **obedience unto righteousness?***

*1 Corinthians 15:34 ...'Awake to righteousness, **and sin not;** for some have not the knowledge of God: I speak this to your shame.'*

*1 John 5:17 ...'All unrighteousness is sin.'*

*Hebrews 1:9 ...'Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity.'*

When we completely surrender ourselves to Christ, a new power takes possession of the heart. A change is wrought that man can never do himself. It is a supernatural work (Psalm 51:10). But we must submit to this transforming power in order to be covered by Christ and His righteousness. There will be an outward evidence of the indwelling Spirit and righteousness of Jesus Christ. Those who are sanctified by the truth will be self controlled and follow in the footsteps of Christ, who did no sin.

**But there is something stopping the majority from being clothed with the righteousness of Jesus Christ. Not only is the belief in the trinity god stopping people receiving the righteousness of Christ, as you will see further down the page. The love of worldly music, entertainment, television, movies and other ungodly things have clouded the minds, and is keeping us from this new birth and regeneration into the Spirit and life of Christ. The heart that is absorbed in worldly interests CANNOT be given up to God, and therefore cannot be under the full influence of Christ.**

*"No man can cover his soul with the garments of Christ's righteousness while practicing known sins or neglecting known duties. God requires the ENTIRE surrender of heart, soul, mind and body before justification can take place (Matthew 22:37). And for us to be able to RETAIN justification, there must be continual surrender and obedience to Jesus Christ, in an acting living faith that works by love to purify the soul."* (Review and Herald, Nov.4, 1890)

*James 2:21-22 ...'Was not Abraham our father justified by works, when he had offered Isaac his son upon the altar? Seest thou how faith wrought with his works, and by works was faith made perfect?'*

This growth in Christ and setting apart is what we call sanctification. By daily submitting to the will of God, Jesus will sanctify us and present us righteous before God in Himself ... "I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them; And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more." (Hebrews 10:16-17)

But do not become disheartened and overcome if you fall into accidental, rash sin. For we have an Advocate with God in Jesus Christ the righteous ... *1 John 2:1 ...'My little children, these things write I unto you, **that ye sin not.** And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.' ... Yet we will HATE the sin that caused the suffering of our precious Saviour, and will seek to sin no more through Christ.*

When we fully submit to Jesus Christ, our hearts are united with His heart. Our will is merged with His will. Our minds become one with His mind, and all our thoughts are brought into captivity to Him (2 Corinthians 10:5), and **His life is lived out in us** (Galatians 2:20). This is what it means to be clothed with the garments of Christ's righteousness. Then as God looks upon us, he no longer sees the fig leaf garment that Adam and Eve tried to cover themselves with, nor the nakedness caused by the deformity of sin, but Christ's own robe of righteousness which is in perfect obedience to the great and holy law of Jehovah.

This message is to bring more prominently before the world the uplifted Saviour and the sacrifice He and His Father made for the sins of the whole world. This message presents justification through faith in the surety; **Jesus invites people to receive His righteousness, which is made manifest in obedience to all the commandments of God.**

Many have lost sight of Jesus. We need to have our eyes directed to His divine person, His merits, and His changeless love for the human race. All power is given into His hands (Matthew 28:18), that He may dispense rich gifts unto men, imparting the priceless gift of His own righteousness to us helpless humans. This is the message that God commands to be given to the world. It is the third angel's message, which is to be proclaimed with a loud voice, and attended with the outpouring of God's Spirit in a large measure.

*2 Corinthians 5:15,21 ...'And that he died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them, and rose again ... For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.'*

In the heart that is touched by the love of Christ, there is begotten a desire to work for the Lord and to obey Him.

#### The Real Danger of the Trinity Doctrine

The trinity doctrine has confused many a mind as to who exactly it is that comforts us and helps us. And yet the Word of God is very clear on this subject of who it is that dwells in us, renewing us into the image of God. It is Jesus Himself! Look at what Jesus said concerning the 'comforter' ...

*John 14:16-17 ...'And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. I will not leave you comfortless. I will come to you. Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because I live, ye shall live also. At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you.'*

Do you see this amazing truth friend? Did Jesus say He would send a 'third God of the Godhead'? No! Jesus confirmed that it would be **Himself**, via His Spirit, as the comforter.

And this is vitally important friend, because not only does the trinity doctrine teach that Jesus is NOT the literal Son of God, and therefore diminish the matchless love of the Father, who '*sent His only begotten Son*'. The trinity also teaches there is a literal 'third god' whom is the one to comfort us while Jesus is in heaven. And yet who is it

we need to dwell in us, to overcome sin and temptation? Who is it the Bible confirms is in us, seen throughout this page? It is Jesus Christ, NOT 'another being'.

**Think about this important point:** - Who is the one divine being who has also taken on the fallen human nature? Who is the one divine being who has been tempted in all points as we are? (Hebrews 4:15). Who is the one divine being who knows what we go through and is able to truly help us overcome? (Hebrews 2:18). It is Jesus Christ, the righteous Son of God!

*"The influence of the Holy Spirit is **the life of Christ** in the soul. We do not now see Christ and speak to Him, but His Holy Spirit is just as near us in one place as another. It works in and through every one who receives Christ. Those who know the indwelling of the Spirit reveal the fruits of the Spirit, -'love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith.'" (E.White, Bible Echo, June 17, 1901)*

**Please understand this vitally important fact. If we do not have Jesus Christ in us, then He will not be able to impart His righteousness in us, and we will be lost. The trinity doctrine takes Jesus away from us and places 'another god' in us. Another 'god' who cannot help us overcome sin. But also understand, there is 'another god' who wants to control us ... Satan!**

*Oh, but this isn't what my church teaches!* Then stop relying on your church for salvation and start relying on the only One who can save us - Jesus Christ.

Looking towards the end of time with His prophetic eye, Jesus said ... *"Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall he find **faith** on the earth?"* (Luke 18:8). Jesus could see the wretched state the professed church would be in. He could see that the majority of His professed church would fall away from the truth of RIGHTEOUSNESS BY FAITH. And He could see that the majority would end up following Babylon and look to her 'false god' (third person of the trinity) as their 'comforter'.

The trinity teaching robs Christ of the job that only HE can do in us. Obedience is worked out for us and with us and in us by the very One who Himself shared our fallen nature while on earth. If Christ did not come in our sinful nature with all its hereditary weaknesses, He could not, as an indwelling Saviour, provide us with a resistance to temptation. The same is true if we believe that we replace Christ with 'another god' in us as our comforter. **And thus, our 'hope of glory' fades away!**

*Colossians 1:26-27 ...'Even the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints: To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; **which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.'***

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Und gerettet wollen wir schließlich auch alle werden, daher hier der Teil, wo uns das erklärt wird:

## What Must I do to be Saved?

Do you see what is happening around the world today? Do you think that we may be living in the end times? If you have come to this site seeking the truth about the end times, and you want to know how to be saved, then please carefully read this page and find out the truth.

*"Oh, but I'm too sinful to be saved!"* No! It matters not who you are, or what you have done. Jesus Christ has already secured your salvation on the cross! You just need to accept this great gift of love and follow Jesus by faith.

*John 1:29 ...'Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.'*

The conditions of obtaining the mercy of God are simple and just. God does not require us to do grievous penance or make some great pilgrimage. No! God's love is so complete, we need only confess **and forsake** our sin, and we will obtain mercy through the Son of God who took the punishment for us.

**Oh 'behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed upon us!'** (1 John 3:1)

*"If we confess and forsake our sin; if we come to Jesus in penitence and humility of soul, acknowledging our inability to remove one spot or stain of sin, and relying wholly on the merits of a crucified Saviour, we may expect forgiveness; for his word is pledged. He has said that he will pardon our transgressions, and blot out our sins. We must dwell upon the matchless love and compassion of Jesus, and not upon our own unworthiness and sinfulness. If we look to ourselves, all will be darkness; but Jesus is all light and life, and we have only to 'look and live.' We may look 'unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame.' [Heb. 12:2.] What tenderness, what mercy, what love, are here manifested!" (Gospel Workers, p.437)*

**Eternal life is within your grasp! Reach out and claim it!**

The Bible reveals that everyone (except Jesus Christ) has sinned ... *Romans 3:23 ...'For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.'* ... And what is sin defined as? ... *1 John 3:4 ...'Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for **sin is the transgression of the law.'** ... What law? The Ten commandments.*

And what is the penalty of sin? ... *Romans 6:23 ... 'For the wages of sin is death.'*

So if we have all sinned and "come short of the glory of God", and we all deserve death, then how can we be saved? Can we earn salvation? ... *Romans 6:23 ... 'For the wages of sin is death; but **the gift of God** is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.'*

*Ephesians 2:8 ... 'For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that **not of yourselves: it is the gift of God.**' ... So salvation (the grace of God - eternal life) is a **GIFT!** So if it's a gift, then it cannot be earned by anyone. It is free, and is waiting for every one of us to accept it. No matter how bad your sins have been. No matter what you have done in the past, this gift is waiting for you to accept it. So how do we accept it?*

First, we need to believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God and came to this earth in the form of man to die for us and our sins ... *2 Corinthians 5:21 ... 'For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.'* ... He died the death that we deserve, so that we may live the life that only He deserves. We need to believe that Jesus rose from the dead and now sits on the throne of God in Heaven ... *John 20:31 ... 'But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.'*

**Please Note:** Why is Christ Jesus the **ONLY** way? Because there was a price to pay for our sin against God and the only way that price could be paid, was by the perfect, obedient life and sacrifice of the Son of God. Jesus is the **ONLY** One who has paid that price with His own life. *"None but the Son of God could accomplish our redemption; for only He who was in the bosom of the Father could declare Him. Only He who knew the height and depth of the love of God could make it manifest. Nothing less than the infinite sacrifice made by Christ in behalf of fallen man could express the Father's love to lost humanity."* (Steps to Christ, p.13-14)

Now although the grace of God is a free gift and no one can earn it, we still have a part to play, because God doesn't bestow this gift on anyone who doesn't accept it, or anyone who doesn't want to follow Jesus. So what else do we need to do to accept this gift? We need to ask Jesus into our lives, to take control and to change us:

*Acts 2:21 ... 'And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'*

*Revelation 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.'*

**Important Point:** Jesus told us that only those who accept the kingdom of God as a little child can be saved (Mark 10:15). This means we are to bow humbly before the Word of God and accept it as it is, just like a little child. We are not to become 'puffed up' in our own 'wisdom' and think we have something to add to God's already plain truth. So please bear that in mind, as MANY a man has fallen away from grace by losing that child like attitude towards Jesus and His truth.

Repentance

We also need to repent of our sins. This is an important step. But true repentance can only come from the indwelling Spirit of Christ. So turn to Jesus on bended knee, and ask Him to take control of you, change you and give you a true repentant heart. **Do not look to others and compare your life and character with others, as this will stop you submitting fully to the ways of Jesus. Look to the Son of God and compare your life and character with that of Christ's. This way, you will see your need of Jesus.**

*Psalms 139:23-24 ... 'Search me, O God, and know my heart; try me, and know my thoughts; and see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.'*

*Matthew 4:17 ... 'From that time Jesus began to preach, and to say, **Repent:** for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.'*

*Luke 13:3 ... 'I tell you, Nay: but, **except ye repent,** ye shall all likewise perish.'*

*Acts 3:19 ... '**Repent** ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord.'*

*Acts 17:30 ... 'And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to **repent.**'*

The prodigal son represents a change that needs to happen in us all ... *"I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee, And am no more worthy to be called thy son: make me as one of thy hired servants. And he arose, and came to his father ... "But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him ... this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found."* (Luke 15)

**The father represents God, and the son represents us 'lost' sinners. Those of us who show true repentance and turn back to our Father like the prodigal son, will see Him with arms wide open ready to accept us! What love!**

True repentance isn't just saying a quick prayer asking God for forgiveness and then continuing to sin. True repentance is being very sorry for your sins, knowing the love that the Father and His Son has showed toward us, and asking God for forgiveness and actively turning away from sin ... *1 John 1:9 ... 'If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us FROM ALL unrighteousness.'*

Acts 26:20 ...'that they should repent and turn to God, and **do works meet for repentance.**'

Why do we need to repent and turn away from our sins? ... Galatians 5:19-21 ...'Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, **that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.**' ... Because no sin can enter into Heaven. No one who continues to live in wilful sin can enter into God's holy, heavenly kingdom.



So what does true faith in Jesus produce? True faith in Jesus is an obedient faith.

James 2:17-18 ...'Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone. Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: shew me thy faith without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works.' ... You see, if you truly want to follow Jesus and give your heart to Him, then your faith, by the indwelling of Christ's Spirit, will PRODUCE a change in you. You will want to obey God and keep His Commandments and do good works.

John 15:4-5 ...'Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me. I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.'

Romans 8:1 ...'There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.'

Galatians 5:16 ...'This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.'

To whom is there now no condemnation? To those who "believe" in Jesus but continue living a worldly, sinful life? No! Only to those who DO NOT walk after the flesh, but walk in the Spirit of Christ and abide IN Christ. Can we just "believe" without really changing our old ways and still be saved?

James 2:19 ...'Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe, and tremble.' ... You see, we can't just simply believe in Jesus without wanting to change our ways and walk away from our sins and still expect to be saved. The devils believe, but are they saved? No. So we need to WANT to change and need to WANT Jesus in us, making us whole again.

Now the saving and sanctifying truth cannot be shut up in our hearts. If we are clothed with the righteousness of Christ and are filled with the joy of His indwelling Spirit, we shall not be able to hold our peace and will certainly have something to tell others ... Romans 10:9-10 ...'That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.'

So, if we believe in our hearts that Jesus Christ is the Son of God and ask Him into our lives, and we truly repent of our sins, then He will come and dwell in us and change us ... 2 Corinthians 5:17 ...'Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.' ... We do not have the power to change ourselves and turn from sin ourselves, no, we need the power of Christ Jesus dwelling in us. With the sanctifying help of God's Holy Spirit dwelling in us, our old sinful ways can be cast off, and we will walk in newness of life in Jesus Christ.

Galatians 2:20 ... I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.

John 14:23 ...'Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.'

When we truly repent of our sinful ways, just like the prodigal son and desire to live for God and the Lord Jesus, then they will make their abode in us through their Holy Spirit, and it is through God and Jesus living IN us that causes and helps us to change from our sinful ways.

But how do I start? Where do I begin?

Begin by falling on your knees and pouring your heart out to your Heavenly Father. Confess your sins, and be honest with God, as He knows everything anyway. Ask for Jesus to make His abode in you and change you. And study God's Word in the Bible. Seek the truth and find out how Jesus lived. Learn from the character of Jesus in the Bible and follow Him.

Mark 14:38 ...'Watch ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation. The spirit truly is ready, but the flesh is weak.'

Baptism

Mark 16:16 ...'He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.'



*Acts 2:38 ...'Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.'*

*Acts 8:36-38 ...'And as they went on their way, they came unto a certain water: and the eunuch said, See, here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized? And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him.'*

*Acts 22:16 ...'And now why tarriest thou? arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord.'*

*Ephesians 4:5 ...'One Lord, one faith, one baptism.'*

There are a few reasons to be baptized. Baptism is a symbol of us being buried with Christ when we are fully submerged in the water and then resurrected with Him as we come out of the water. It's a symbol that our old self (our sinful ways) has died and been left behind in the water and we come out being a new person. We are baptized in obedience to Jesus, who through His Word commands us to be baptized, as you can see in the above verses. It is also an outward sign to other people that you are now a 'new person', as you are leaving your old ways behind and living a new life with Jesus.

As already mentioned, our own efforts do not save us, because the grace of God is a free gift. But a true relationship with Jesus will cause us to change and to turn away from our sins and produce good works for His glory. We become a commandment keeping people ... *Revelation 14:12 ...'Here is the patience of the saints, here are they that **keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus.**'*

Did you catch that in Revelation 14:12? It doesn't say the saints are those who merely 'believe' in Jesus. But those who **KEEP** the commandments of God and the faith **OF** Jesus. In other words, the saints are the one's who are **LIVING OUT** the faith of Jesus in their lives.

None of us know when our last day will be, and you can see from the disasters that are happening around the world now that this world is getting old and the end is soon to come. So if you haven't given yourself to Jesus yet, please do it now! Submit your life to God the Father and Jesus Christ His Son, and through your faith, Jesus will enable you to live an obedient, commandment keeping life ... and eternal life in heaven and on the new earth will be yours, in Jesus!

*Jeremiah 29:12-13 ...'Then shall ye call upon Me, and ye shall go and pray unto Me, and I will hearken unto you. And ye shall seek Me, and find Me, **when ye shall search for Me with all your heart.**'*

*Isaiah 45:22 ...'Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I am God, and there is none else.'*

*John 14:6 ...' Jesus saith unto him, **I am the way, the truth, and the life:** no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.'*

*Matthew 11:28-30 ...'Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.'*

**Jesus is the only way. Submit your life to Him today! If you would like to learn more about giving your life to Jesus, then as well as Bible studying, read this little, beautiful and simple book - STEPS TO CHRIST.<sup>6</sup>**

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<sup>6</sup> wer noch mehr US-Religion konsumieren will, findet hier einen solchen Text, der die US-Religion herzhaft widerspiegelt: <http://www.end-times-prophecy.org/steps-to-christ-1892.pdf>