

WITHOUT CHRIST OR WITH CHRIST



TEXT:

Ephesians 2:12: That at that time ye were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the Covenants of Promise, having no hope, and without God in the world:

Philippians 1:23: For I am in a strait betwixt two, having a desire to depart, and to be with Christ; which is far better:

Colossians 3:1-4:

¹ If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right Hand of God.

² Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.

³ For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God.

⁴ When Christ, Who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with Him in Glory.

There are many striking contrasts in the Bible: The rich man and Lazarus, the wise and the foolish man, the children of light and darkness.

Here it is: Without Christ – or With Christ.

That spells the difference between going to Heaven or Hell.

It describes the state of every person here today.

No tongue can tell the depth or dejection hidden in these two words. The unutterable despair, terrible evils, gross wickedness! There is no hope, only irretrievable ruin, unending sorrow and despair to those without Christ.

There is no part in the first resurrection for only the dead in Christ rise first. Those without Christ have no eternal life.

John 3:36: He that believeth on the Son hath Everlasting Life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.

To have Christ as one's Saviour is absolutely necessary for entering Heaven.

When an Indian was asked what Christ had done for him, he picked up a worm, put it on the ground inside a circle of wood and straw which he set on fire. As the wood began to glow, the poor worm began to twist and wiggle in agony – trying to find a way of escape. Then the Indian stooped down and took it up gently with his fingers and said: “That is what Jesus did for me. I was surrounded by demons, no escape – hopeless – headed for hell fire. The pierced hand of Jesus lifted me out of the burning.”

Jude 23: And others save with fear, pulling them out of the fire; hating even the garment spotted by the flesh.

Amos 4:11: I have overthrown some of you, as God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah, and ye were as a firebrand plucked out of the burning: yet have ye not returned unto Me, saith the LORD.

Zechariah 3:2: And the LORD said unto satan, The LORD rebuke thee, O satan; even the LORD that hath chosen Jerusalem rebuke thee: is not this a brand plucked out of the fire?

Without Christ, you moral people are as much lost as the immoral. You rich, respectable folk, without Christ, are as doomed as the outcasts of society.

Your donations to charity and endowments of institutions cannot help you into Heaven. Christ is indispensable to entering Heaven. He is the only Door; the only way in.

With Christ in your heart, you have the passport to Glory!



I am here to declare the Gospel showing how you can have Him as a free gift.

Romans 6:23: For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is Eternal Life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Romans 8:32: He that spared not His Own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?

Perhaps there are many things you do not have, such as a good income, comforts of life, health, friends - - but if you have Christ, you have more than all else,. We are made nigh to Christ by His Blood.

Old, Emperor Nero sat in pomp and earthly glory as conqueror of the then known world. The porticoes of his palace were a mile long; the walls were of mother of

pearl; ivory ceilings were arranged to shower perfume upon his guests. His crown was worth a half million dollars. His mules were shod with silver. His fish were caught with hooks of gold. One thousand carriages accompanied him in his travels. His wardrobe contained clothing in such abundance that he never wore the same garment a second time. Affluence and splendor everywhere! Yet, he was not satisfied.

What a difference this image is of the Emperor Nero and the heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ.

Ephesians 2:13:

But now in Christ Jesus

ye who sometimes were far off

***are made nigh* [near]**

by the Blood of Christ.



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