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JESUS CHRIST THE SON OF MAN

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THE HUMANITY AND DIVINITY OF JESUS CHRIST, THE SON OF GOD, AND THE SON OF MAN

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There are Things in Life That Affect Us Like Nothing Else.

Maybe it was the first day of school.
Or the day you got that diploma.
Maybe it was a certain summer vacation.

Growing Up in Orange County in the 60's was a Blast – it was Real California

Remembering;

In the fourth grade we took a field trip to Irvine Family Ranch.

United Flight 7

In the seventh grade, our class (alone) took a united airlines flight from Los Angeles over the Grand Canyon to San Francisco, down the coast and back to L.A. – awesome!!!

But the best thing was the thing that caught me off guard.

It was the day I flew a plane myself... with nobody in it but me, alone, in the whole world!

Luke 9:1-9

Then He called His twelve disciples together and gave them power and authority over all demons, and to cure diseases. :2 He sent them to preach the kingdom of God and to heal the sick. :3 And He said to them, "Take nothing for the journey, neither staffs nor bag nor bread nor money; and do not have two tunics apiece. :4 "Whatever house you enter, stay there, and from there depart. :5 And whoever will not receive you, when you go out of that city, shake off the very dust from your feet as a testimony against them." :6 So they departed and went through the towns, preaching the gospel and healing everywhere. :7 Now Herod the tetrarch heard of all that was done by Him; and he was perplexed, because it was said by some that John had risen from the dead, :8 and by some that Elijah had appeared, and by others that one of the old prophets had risen again. :9 Herod said, "John I have beheaded, but who is this of whom I hear such things?" So he sought to see Him.

Jesus Had Been Tutoring Them for a While Now But...

BUT THE TIME HAD COME FOR THESE GUYS TO GROW UP AND BECOME MEN IN THE THINGS OF GOD

WHAT A MESSAGE WE HAVE IN JESUS...

.) That Message is ordained by God

v.1-2

1a.) Ordained to be fully effective

v.1a

Then He called His twelve disciples together and gave them power and authority...

He Ordained Them To Effectiveness.

He Called Them

Jesus brought an invitation to them that they didn't know existed.

He Gave Them Power

Jesus handed them power? – superpower! That they could never have.

dy namic adj, full of power, dynamite

full of energy, enthusiastic, having purpose. It's characterized by vigorous activity and producing or undergoing change and development

Church – The Lord Doesn't Need Our Energy

And He Gave Them Authority

Jesus gave them the **right** (authority) to use the power (effectiveness) of the kingdom life.

Hebrews 4:12

For the word of God *is* living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

Isaiah 55:10-11

"For as the rain comes down, and the snow from heaven, And do not return there, But water the earth, And make it bring forth and bud, That it may give seed to the sower And bread to the eater, :11

So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me void, But it shall accomplish what I please, And it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it.

A solider having a state-of-the-art weapon doesn't talk about it. He uses it, he puts it into action. (that's how battles are won)

A doctor doesn't stand there talking about how smart he is, He uses what he knows. He puts it into action. (that's how lives are saved)

Let the word of God go, It's in you now, let it out, let it run.

John 14:12

"Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and greater works than these he will do, because I go to My Father.

the calling comes with the equipment.

And the equipment is The Power and The Authority - That is God's

Acts 4:13

Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated and untrained men, they marveled. And they realized that they had been with Jesus.

Luke Uses The Word for Gave = Did-o-Mee

di÷dwmi didomi, did´-o-mee; to bestow, to place the hand upon them, to convey or to communicate. The act of crowning or the knighting of one into service.

As a Christian;

You've been called by Jesus Christ to receive, as a part of your Christian equipment in this world, you have power and authority to minister the kingdom life to others.

The true, heaven-bound believer has been activated for kingdom use.

As A Christian;
What's my concern, what's your concern in the kingdom?

Do you want to see people **comforted**?

Do you want to see people **encouraged**?

Do want to see people **fed**? Do you want to see people **better off?**

For Me, It's Getting The Message Out!

It Began as a Burning Desire to See People Know The Bible, To Study The Word of God,

(I'm never off the clock)

when the Bible is the topic, I can't, wouldn't, won't. It's my passion, my love, my purpose.

He "Crowned" Them or "Knighted" Them with Power and Authority.

But Jack That Was for Them, for Those Guys...

Acts 2:39

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."

THE MESSAGE IS ORDAINED BY GOD

1b.) Ordained to be on the offensive

v.1b

...over all **demons**, and to cure **diseases**.

Church, Your History is an Awesome One.

Against All Odds, The Lord has Wrought Victory after Victory Against the Forces of Hell and Darkness by His Word.

The Minions of Hell Shutter at The Power of God.

Matthew 16:13-18

When Jesus came into the region of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, saying, "Who do men say that I, the Son of Man, am?" :14 So they said, "Some say John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." :15 He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" :16 Simon Peter answered and said, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." :17 Jesus answered and said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father who is in heaven. :18 And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.

Gates are Fixed Things, They Can't Move, They Can't Run, Gates Make for Excellent Targets.

The **power** of the **word of God** advances the kingdom **through** God's people who **understand** that they have been **called** into the right, the authority, the command, to **give** Jesus away to others...

2 Timothy 2:3-4

No one engaged in warfare entangles himself with the affairs of *this* life, that he may please him who enlisted him as a soldier.

Matthew 28:18-19a

And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth, :19 Go therefore...

THE MESSAGE IS ORDAINED BY GOD

1c.) Ordained to be always dynamic

v.2

He sent them to **preach** the kingdom of God and to **heal** the sick.

"I am so glad that the ministry is not dependent upon me, you or us!

The Ministry is Dependent Upon Christ, He uses Us – weird I know.

Verse 2

"He sent them..."

and He sends us daily, hourly, moment by moment.

Ephesians 3:20-21

Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, :21 to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Practicing The Presence of God In Your Everyday Life.

Psalm 16:8-9

I have set the LORD always before me. Because he is at my right hand, I will not be shaken. **:9**Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will rest secure,

What Are We To Do?

"to preach the kingdom of God = To Look for Every Opportunity

(I wish for a moment that I didn't have to be concerned about being misunderstood) if I could speak freely knowing that people would receive it rightly...

But What Did They Preach?
The "Good News" of The Kingdom

Is The Invitation to All That They Should Come to Jesus Christ for the Forgiveness of Sins.

Matthew 4:23

And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the **gospel** (the good news – happy news) of the kingdom,

The Kingdom Itself

Is the rule and reign of God in the heart of a man. That kingdom life will continually spread and grow and advance in a man's life.

The Kingdom of God is Coming

Prophetically, the Bible teaches that Jesus Christ is Coming Again!

Marks Account is This;

Mark 6:12

So His disciples went out and preached that *people* should **repent**. (run from your sinful acts and run to God for safety)

repent // **metanoeo**, *met-an-o-eh´-o;* to **Change Your Mind**, to think differently. To have an after-thought, to reconsider the course you're on.

Acts 3:19

Change Your Mind therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord,

Acts 17:30-31

Truly, these times of ignorance God overlooked, but now commands all men everywhere to **Change Your Mind**, :**31** because He has appointed a day on which He will judge the world in righteousness by the Man whom He has ordained. He has given assurance of this to all by raising Him from the dead."

Matthew 3:1-2

In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, :2 and saying, "Change Your Mind, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!"

Matthew 4:17

From that time Jesus began to preach and to say, "Change Your Mind, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

Matthew 12:41

For the men of Nineveh will rise up in the judgment with this generation and condemn it, because they **Changed Their Minds** at the preaching of Jonah, and indeed a greater than Jonah *is* here.

So Here's The "How, What, When and Where Why" For Our Lives.

The **How** is by God's Power // the **What** is His Word // The **When** is Always // The **Where** is Everywhere // The **Why** is Because Jesus Said So.

WHAT A MESSAGE WE HAVE IN JESUS...

1.) That Message is ordained by God v.1-2

2.) That Message is what we're focused on v.3-6

2a.) Because it's the message that stands alone v.3

:3 And He said to them, "Take nothing for the journey, neither staffs nor bag nor bread nor money; and do not have two tunics apiece.

2b.) Because it's the message that separates

v.4-5

:4 "Whatever house you enter, stay there, and from there depart.

And whoever will not receive you, when you go out of that city, shake off the very dust from your feet as a testimony against them."

in ancient Israel, it was the practice of a pious Jew after having traveled abroad, when reentering the land of Israel, they would shake off the dust from foreign, pagan lands.

A Two-Fold Warning

The symbolic act was to denounce "paganism" And to warn that paganism be denounced.

The rabbis consider it an act of mercy because it was a warning in their eyes.

1 Corinthians 1:23-24

but we preach Christ crucified, to the Jews a stumbling block and to the Greeks foolishness, :24 but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

2 Corinthians 4:3-5

But even if our Gospel (God's Good News for Mankind) also be hidden (obscured, covered up with a veil that prevents the knowledge of God), it is hidden to those who are perishing, (those who are spiritually dying everyday - the ones who are still lost.) :4 For (Satan) the god of this world has blinded the unbelievers' minds [so that they cannot understand the truth], preventing them from seeing the illuminating light of the Gospel of the glory of Christ (Israel's Messiah, and the world's savior), Who is the physical Image and Likeness of God Himself. :5 For what we preach is not ourselves but it's Jesus Christ as Lord of all...

It's What We're Focused On

2c.) Because it's the message that saves v.6

So they departed and went through the towns, **preaching** the gospel and **healing** everywhere.

Their First Solo Flight. // It's a Field Trip

They've Never Done This Before! They Had Never Had This Rush Before! They Had Never Been Here Before!

Exciting or What..... Ouch -

Those of You Who Aren't Serious About God Being Big in Your Life. You could do us all a great favor if you get hot for God right now.

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Just be really quiet about God, don't say anything about Him to anybody, take the Christian sticker off your car and take off the cross from around your neck

Lord, show us where would you have us to go? (everywhere)

Lord show us who you want us to share with? (everyone)

if us Christians would be so careful to pray about everything like that. We "pray about the things we're commanded to do" and we 'leap into the things that we should pray about"

Reckless Abandonment for The Lord Should be our Banner.

and they **went through** the towns, **preaching** the gospel and **healing** everywhere.

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3.)	That Message is greater than all	v.7-9	

Jesus Christ and His ministry

is greater because He's from the Father. The Message is the Lord's and all the others spoke about Him.

Their message was about Jesus and The Kingdom of God.

3a.) By reason of the fact – it cannot be stopped v.7

Now Herod the tetrarch **heard** of (all that was done by Him); and he was **perplexed**, because it was said by some that **John** (the Baptist) had risen from the dead,

The Biblical Message of Jesus Christ Cannot Be Stopped Because It's Not of This World. It is Absolute Truth

Christian, The Power in Our Lives is Found in the Bible, God's Word.

It Cannot Be Stopped // Unstoppable

Matthew 24:35

Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away.

John 17:12-14

While I was with them in the world, I kept them in Your name. Those whom You gave Me I have kept; and none of them is lost except the son of perdition, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. :13 But now I come to You, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have My joy fulfilled in themselves. :14 I have given them Your word; and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world.

THAT MESSAGE IS GREATER THAN ALL

3b.) By reason of the fact – Jesus Christ is Lord v.8

and by some that **Elijah** had appeared, and by others that **one of** the old prophets had risen again.

Malachi 4:5

Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet Before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD.

3c.) By reason of the fact – His message continues v.9

Herod said, "John I have beheaded, but who is this of whom I hear such things?" So he **sought** to see Him.

The fear of judgment is being awakened in Herod's heart and mind. He knows enough about the scriptures to be dangerous to himself and those near him.

but who is this of whom I hear such things?" if everyone would stop for a moment,

around the world, get alone, and ask...
"Who is this Jesus Christ?"
but who is this? but who is this?

Verse 9

But Herod said, "John I have beheaded, **but who is this** of whom I hear such things?" So he **sought** to see Him.

John I've Dealt With, But This Man, Who Can He Be.

Herod may not have known Hebrews 9:27-28 but he could taste it

And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment, **:28** so Christ was offered once to bear the sins of many. To those who eagerly wait for Him He will appear a second time, apart from sin, for salvation.

Herod is Becoming Aware
That Whatever, Whoever This Jesus is;

He's Not John The Baptist,

Not even Close to Him.

He's Not Elijah

Who's to Usher in the Second Coming, Nope!

He's Not **The** Prophet of Old – **Moses**, This One is Greater Than Moses...

It's Possible That;

Herod was coming to the conclusion that; "The Kingdom Had Arrived and He was Not in It

Christian, When We Obey Jesus Christ and The Word of God, There Will Be An Effect...

People Will Hear, They Will See, They Will Consider (they must decide on their own, what they will do with the kingdom)

Luke 10:11-12

"The very dust of your city which clings to us we wipe off against you. Nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of God has come near you.' **:12** But I say to you that it will be more tolerable in that Day for Sodom than for that city.

Our Attitude as Christians...

1 Corinthians 2:1-2

And I, brethren, when I came to you, did not come with excellence of speech or of wisdom declaring to you the testimony of God. :2 For I determined not to know anything among you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified.

1 Corinthians 15:1-3

Moreover, brethren, I declare to you the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received and in which you stand, :2 by which also you are saved, if you hold fast that word which I preached to you—unless you believed in vain. :3 For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures,

The Gospel UJesus Christ

So Here's The "How, What, When, Where and Why" For Our Lives.

The **How** is the proclaiming of the truth // the **What** is the Message of Jesus // The **When** is Now // The **Where** is Even before Rulers // The **Why** is Because Jesus Said So.

End of Study