

THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

JESUS CHRIST THE SON OF MAN

LUKE CHAPTER 20:41-44

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

THE COST OF CHRIST

WHAT MAKES YOU A TRUE BELIEVER!

*THE HUMANITY AND DIVINITY OF JESUS CHRIST,
THE SON OF GOD, SON OF MAN, SAVIOR OF ALL MANKIND*

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The Gospel, The Good News is Confrontational
But not for reasons you might think...

The biblical message about who Jesus Christ is, is a spiritual issue. - - It is a message of eternal consequences!!!

2 Corinthians 4:3-4

But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, :4 whose minds the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them.

Biblical Christianity

Is the most awesome and powerful message for mankind, but why?

Because from genesis to revelation;

A simple but complete read thru the Bible will unlock your eyes and mind to the reality of who Jesus Christ is, and what is God's message to the world.

How Unique Are You? // Take Note;

Non-Biblical **Judaism** - Denies That God has a Son.

Non-Biblical **Islam** - Denies That God has a Son

Atheism - Denies That God has a Son.

The **Cults** and **Occult** Practitioners - Deny the son of God.

An Increasing number of “**Churches**” are beginning to - Deny

It is only biblical Christianity that simply believes in what the Bible has revealed to man without a bias or agenda.

I “Deliberately” want to speak to the biblical Christian today!!!

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WHAT MAKES YOU A TRUE BELIEVER!

1.) It's that you know *who Jesus Christ really is*

1a.) Because you've experienced His revelation v.41

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“This is Jesus Calling”

you who desire to know God, - -

will know God and you will know Him throughout all eternity, because...

John 6:44

No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me - **draws** him; and I will **raise him up** (*resurrection*) at the last day.

This is an “**Emphatic Decree**” by Jesus Christ –
It's happening, and Will Happen!

John 6:45b

.... Therefore everyone who has heard and learned from the Father
will come to Me.

It's a fact - your God, the biblical God, came *To you!*

John 6:37

All that the Father gives Me **will come to Me**, and the one who **comes to Me** I will by no means cast out. :38 For **I have come down from heaven**, not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me.

YOU KNOW WHO JESUS CHRIST REALLY IS

1b.) Because you've experienced His incarnation v.42

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Tell Me, **When** and **How** "Does the **LORD** fulfill this Verse - -
That He Would Become **Lord**?"

His Coming to Earth Not Only Makes Perfect Sense to Us.
But it was and is biblically accurate...

Isaiah 7:14

Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a **Son**, and shall call His name **Immanuel**.

Isaiah 9:6-7

For unto us a **Child** is born, (*Christ's Humanity*) Unto us a **Son** is given; (*Christ's Deity*) And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. :7 Of the increase of *His* government and peace *There will be no end, Upon the throne of David*

1 Timothy 3:16

And without **controversy** great is the mystery of godliness: that God was **manifested** in the flesh,

manifested fanero/w phaneroo, *fan-er-o'-o*;
to make clear, to make apparent, to reveal or to unveil.
(the mystery is that which has always been, is now available)

The fact that your God, the biblical God, came down *Like* you!

John 1:1-3,14

In the beginning was the **Word**, (*logos*) and the **Word** (*logos*) was with **God**, and the **Word** (*logos*) was **God**. :2 He (*the logos*) was in the beginning with **God**. :3 All things were made through **Him**, (*the logos*) and without **Him** (*the logos*) nothing was made that was made.... **John 1:14** And the **Word** (*logos*) became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld **His** (*logos*) glory, the glory as of **the only begotten of the Father**, (*logos*) full of grace and truth. (*logos*)

YOU KNOW WHO JESUS CHRIST REALLY IS

1c.) Because you've experienced His personification v.41-44

The fact that your God, the biblical God, came *For* you!

The Gospel Message is a Simple One
God Came to Save Us – It's The Christmas Story

Matthew 1:21

The angel Gabriel spoke to Joseph and said;
Mary will bring forth a **Son**, and you shall call His name **JESUS**, *for He will save His people from their sins.* – *Messiah / Christ*

Psalm 63:1-4

O God, you are my God; I earnestly search for you. My soul thirsts for you; my whole body longs for you in this parched and weary land where there is no water. :2 I have seen you in your sanctuary and gazed upon your power and glory. :3 Your unfailing love is better to me than life itself; how I praise you! :4 I will honor you as long as I live, lifting up my hands to you in prayer.

What a Verse for Us today – Only Us!!!!

Romans 1:3-5

concerning **His Son Jesus Christ our Lord**, who was **born of the seed of David** according to the flesh, :4 **and declared to be the Son of God** with power according to the Spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead. :5 Through Him **we have received grace**

THE COST OF CHRIST

WHAT MAKES YOU A TRUE BELIEVER!

2.) It's that you know *what the Bible has to say*

2a.) About God's nature

v.42b

"The LORD (YHWH) said to my Lord (ADONI), 'Sit at My right hand,

YHWH's desire that mankind be rescued – so **ADONI** came to save

How can we begin to know the Nature, the Predictability of God?
By knowing His message to us

Hebrews 1:1-3

God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, :2 has in these last days spoken to us by *His* Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds; :3 who **being the brightness of His glory and the express image** of His person,

His Nature Makes Known to Us, Who He is...

John 14:8-9

Philip said to Him, "Lord, show us the Father, and it is sufficient for us." :9 Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you so long, and yet you have not known Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father; so how can you say, 'Show us the Father'?"

Deuteronomy 33:27

The **eternal** God *is your* refuge, And underneath *are* His **everlasting** arms;

The Attributes of God are Eternal and Everlasting.

Ephesians 1:7-9

For in Him (Christ Jesus) we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace :8 which **He made to abound toward us** in all wisdom and prudence, :9 **having made known to us the mystery of His will**, according to His good pleasure which He purposed in Himself,

YOU KNOW WHAT THE BIBLE HAS TO SAY

2b.) About getting to heaven

v.41-44

John 8:56-58

Your father Abraham rejoiced to see My day, and he saw *it* and was glad.” :57 Then the Jews said to Him, “You are not yet fifty years old, and have You seen Abraham?” :58 Jesus said to them, “Most assuredly, I say to you, before Abraham was, **I AM.**”

John 8:58 & Exodus 3:14

“...before Abraham was, **I AM...** And God said to Moses, “**I AM WHO I AM.**” And He said, “**Thus you shall say to the children of Israel, ‘I AM has sent me to you.’**”

1 John 5:20

And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us an understanding, that we may know Him who is true; and we are in Him who is true, in His Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God and eternal life.

Sin has the power to keep us from knowing Him personally.
Once sin is washed away – knowing Him becomes a natural thing.

The Christian Paradox is This;

We know Him, but **we must know** Him more. / We have Him, but **we need more** of Him. / We love Him, but **we want more love** for Him.

Revelation 19:16

And He has on *His* robe and on His thigh a name written:
KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.

Once we come to Christ, We begin a journey.

We can't stop at meeting Him – we must pursue Him.

Are you longing, lusting for God?

Can you honestly say that you have enough of God?
Can God say, I have enough of you?

Love cannot stop at portions, samples, treats

(When you're hungry, you don't go to **Costco** for a meal)

Hebrews 11:6

But without faith *it is* impossible to please *Him*, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and *that* He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

YOU KNOW WHAT THE BIBLE HAS TO SAY

2c.) About not being afraid

v.41-44

We needn't fear anymore our past
We needn't fear anymore our time now
We needn't fear anymore our future

2 Corinthians 5:17

Therefore, if anyone *is* in Christ, *he is* a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.

Philippians 3:13-14

Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing *I do*, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, :14 I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

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WHAT MAKES YOU A TRUE BELIEVER!

3.) It's that you know *that eternity is closer than ever*

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On Thursday of this week, continental airlines captain

Craig Lenell, "closed his eyes – we thought he had fallen asleep" said the co-pilot and first officer of flight #61 from Brussels to Newark, New Jersey.

Passengers on board told reporters after landing that they had no idea that anything was wrong. "***we watched our movies, ate and drink and read newspapers not knowing that the captain had died. We had no clue***" said Dora Deckshire of Houston Texas.

Capt. Craig Lenell, phoned his wife Lynda

from the Brussels airport to say that "he'd be home soon with a box of chocolates."

YOU KNOW THAT ETERNITY IS CLOSER THAN EVER

3a.) That fills the believer with expectant joy v.43

“The LORD said to my Lord, ‘Sit at My right hand, :43 Till I make Your enemies Your footstool.’”

For us, every day brings us closer to our future.

Time never runs out for the Christian – in fact, we’re heading towards eternity.

Romans 8:18

For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy *to be compared* with the glory which shall be revealed in us.

1 Corinthians 2:9-10

But as it is written: *“Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, Nor have entered into the heart of man The things which God has prepared for those who love Him.” :10* But God has revealed *them* to us through His Spirit. For the Spirit searches all things, yes, the deep things of God.

“Time is On Our Side”

for the unbeliever, the person that the Bible calls “the lost man” is moving at break-neck speed toward his eternal end and he’s not even aware of it or refuses to acknowledge the fact.

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3b.) That causes the believer to endure v.43

:42 Now David himself said in the Book of Psalms: *“The LORD said to my Lord, ‘Sit at My right hand, :43 Till I make Your enemies Your footstool.’”*

Philippians 1:29

For to you it has been granted on behalf of Christ, not only to believe in Him, but also to suffer for His sake,

Prepare to Endure / To Suffer

1 Peter 4:12-13

Beloved, do not think it strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened to you; **:13** but rejoice to the extent that you partake of Christ’s sufferings, that when His glory is revealed, you may also be glad with exceeding joy.

Philippians 1:6

being confident (always aware of the fact / fully assured) of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ;

Philippians 3:8 Yet indeed I also count all things loss for the excellence of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as rubbish, that I may gain Christ

Philippians 3:9 and be found in Him, not having my own righteousness, which *is* from the law, but that which *is* through faith in Christ, the righteousness which is from God by faith;

Philippians 3:10 that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death,

YOU KNOW THAT ETERNITY IS CLOSER THAN EVER

3c.) That motivates us to stay ready

v.41-44

Can you see what I see?
That faith is under attack and only those who are surviving
Are those who know what God’s word says....

2 Peter 3:3 knowing this first: that scoffers will come in the last days, walking according to their own lusts,

2 Peter 3:4 and saying, “Where is the promise of His coming?”

John 14:1 “Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me.

John 14:2 In My Father’s house are many mansions; if *it were* not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

John 14:3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself;

We “stay ready” by
exercising our love for each other – by doing what’s needed.

We “stay ready” by
exercising our ministry gifts for others – the opportunities are for us to do.

We “stay ready” by
exercising our faithfulness toward each other – people can depend on us.

We “stay ready” by
exercising our fellowship with each other – make time for fellow saints

We “stay ready” by
exercising our communion with one another – in worship gatherings

We “stay ready” by
exercising our lives in righteousness – how we live affects others.

Matthew 24:42

Watch therefore, for you do not know what hour your Lord is coming.

Because none of us are perfect

We need the Lord to be personally speaking into our lives.
That results in spiritual growth and development and it’s visible!

One of the great “**indicators**” that God is at work in your life
is that you are aware of His near return.

Acts 14:21-22

And when they had preached the gospel to that city and made many disciples, they returned to Lystra, Iconium, and Antioch, :22 Confirming the souls of the disciples, and exhorting them to continue **in the faith**, and that we must through much tribulation enter into the kingdom of God.

2 Corinthians 13:5

Examine yourselves to see whether you are in the faith; test yourselves. Do you not realize that Christ Jesus is in you — unless, of course, you fail the test?

No One from this church is allowed to fail the test.
Children become like their Parents & Students become like their Teachers

End of Study