

## *“What Must I Do To Be Saved?”*

Acts 16:30

### **Learn The Gospel**

John 6:45; Romans 10:17; James 1:22-25

### **Believe On GOD In CHRIST**

Hebrews 11:6; John 3:16; James 2:14-26

### **Confess CHRIST**

Romans 10:9-10; Matthew 10:32-33; 7:21

### **Repent Of Sin**

Acts 3:19; Matthew 3:8

### **Be Baptized Into CHRIST**

Mark 16:16; Romans 6:3-6; 1<sup>st</sup> Peter 3:21

## *“Let The Word... Dwell In You Richly”*

Colossians 3:16

Continuing the theme of proper child development, the current memory assignment is: *“And you, fathers, do not provoke your children to wrath, but bring them up in the training and admonition of the Lord”* (Ephesians 6:4).

Memorize these words and put them into practice.

# *“Sound Doctrine”*

Titus 2:1

## **“A JEALOUS GOD”**

Bryan Matthew Dockens

In this politically correct culture it has become popular to suggest that all religions are equally acceptable and that salvation can be gained in a number of ways. God disagrees.

By His servant Moses, the Lord God declared, *“You shall not go after other gods, the gods of the peoples who are all around you, for the Lord your God is a jealous God”* (Deuteronomy 6:14-15). Contrary to the preference of modern society, God is intolerant of competition – that’s the very meaning of the word “jealous”.

So jealous is our God, He has appropriated the word to Himself as a name. It is written, *“You shall worship no other god, for the Lord, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God”* (Exodus 34:14).

True to the meaning of the word “jealous”, God resents and punishes disloyalty. *“Take heed to yourselves, lest you... make for yourselves a carved image in the form of anything which the Lord your God has forbidden you. For the Lord your God is a consuming fire, a jealous God”* (Deuteronomy 4:23-24).

Alone among rivals, God can be reached exclusively through His Son, *“For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus”* (1<sup>st</sup> Timothy 2:5). Jesus confirmed this, saying, *“I am the way, the truth, and the life”* (John 14:6). Confronted with this passage, some will answer that Christ never claimed to be the **only** way. Actually, He

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## *“The Assembling Of Ourselves Together”*

Hebrews 10:24-25

### **Sunday**

10:15 am.....Worship

Las Vegas Library

833 Las Vegas Boulevard North

### **Monday**

7:00 pm.....Ladies’ Study

Cory Barajas residence

### **Wednesday**

7:00 pm.....Various Studies

Jerry & Beverly Dockens residence

## *“Give Attention To Reading”*

1<sup>st</sup> Timothy 4:13

Sunday.....Isaiah 57-59

Monday.....Isaiah 60-62

Tuesday.....Isaiah 63-65

Wed’day...Isaiah 66-Jeremiah 2

Thursday.....Jeremiah 3-5

Friday.....Jeremiah 6-8

Saturday.....Jeremiah 9-11

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Romans 16:16

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# WILL YOU OBEY JESUS?

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Obedience results from recognizing the authority one has over you plus a willingness to yield to that authority. We obey the laws of the land because we recognize the authority of civil government and we willingly comply with its laws and ordinances.

Jesus is obeyed because of his authority. He calls upon us to willingly yield to his authority and obey him today.

**The wind and the sea obey Jesus.** *“And they were afraid, and marveled, saying to one another, ‘Who can this be? For He commands even the winds and water, and they obey Him!’”* (Luke 8:25). Jesus possesses power over the elements, being both their Creator and Sustainer (John 1:3; Colossians 1:16-17; Hebrews 1:3). Should we not learn from the wind and the waves to instantly obey when the Lord commands us?

**The unclean spirits obey Jesus.** *“Then they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, ‘What is this? What new doctrine is this? For with authority He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey Him!’”* (Mark 1:27; 9:25-26). The demons tremble with fear before the power of God and His Son (James 2:19; Luke 8:27-31). Should we not tremble before the great power of God and obey when the Lord commands us?

**Diseases obey Jesus.** *“The centurion answered and said, ‘Lord, I am not worthy that You should come under my roof. But only speak a word, and my servant will be healed!’”* (Matthew 8:8). Christ’s power over illness and infirmities was completely obeyed when He said the word. Should we not completely obey when the Lord commands us?

**Death obeys Jesus.** He commanded Lazarus to *“come forth”* and death released its grip (John 11:43-44). When Jesus comes again He will command all the dead to come out of the graves, and it will be so (John 5:28-29). Should we not learn from death and fully obey when the Lord commands us?

Why then do so many people disobey Jesus? Why do the elements, the evil spirits, disease and death obey Him, yet most people will not? One

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reason is free will. We must choose to obey Jesus with our whole heart. Without a willing heart we will never properly obey Jesus (Matthew 15:7-9).

Jesus saves those who obey Him (Hebrews 5:9). One does not know God and love God if he or she is disobeying Jesus: *“They profess to know God, but in works they deny Him, being abominable, disobedient, and disqualified for every good work”* (Titus 1:16). Be numbered among the faithful disciples and obey all Jesus commands (Matthew 28:18-20). Your profession of faith is genuine when you are always obeying Jesus.

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did. Jesus did not say, “I am **a** way, **a** truth, and **a** life”. Jesus did say, “I am **the** way, **the** truth, and **the** life”. Using “the”, as opposed to any other word, implies exclusivity. Furthermore, those who would contend in this way seem to ignore the remainder of our Savior’s statement, which is: **“No one comes to the Father except through Me”** (John 14:6). These words are undeniably exclusive in their meaning.

For those yet unconvinced, Peter clarifies. Speaking of *“Jesus Christ of Nazareth”* (Acts 4:10), the apostle preached, *“Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is **no other name** under heaven given among men by which we must be saved”* (Acts 4:12). The name of the Pope cannot save. The name of Joseph Smith cannot save. The name of Mohammed cannot save. The name of Buddha cannot save. The name of none other than Jesus Christ saves.

The God whose name is Jealous looks favorably on those who are jealous on His behalf. On an occasion when harlotry and idolatry had overtaken the nation of Israel, Phinehas, the grandson of Aaron the priest, proved his dedication to God by taking swift action to punish one flagrantly wicked couple. His jealousy for the Lord was specifically commended and rewarded by God (Numbers 25:1-13). May we likewise prove ourselves jealous for the Almighty, intolerant of His rivals, resentful of His competition, unflinchingly dedicated to the service of the one and only God.