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## **A GENTLE REMINDER ABOUT THE MOST IMPORTANT NEWS IN THE WORLD!**

**The Gospel of Jesus Christ!**

*"But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God."*

*-- John 1:12-13*

**Jesus wants everyone to have eternal life!** Are you sure you have this? The only way to have eternal life is through the gospel of Jesus Christ, which we bring to you through this tract in your hands.

## PRELIMINARY CONSIDERATIONS

**Gospel Means Good News** - The Greek word is euangelion. In the NT, it is spoken only of the glad tidings of Christ and His salvation, the gospel (cf. **Luke 2:10**).

**The Gospel Is God's Power To Save** - The apostle Paul wrote that the gospel "*is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes.*" (**Romans 1:16**) It tells how to be saved from our sins and the wrath of God to come.

**Beware Of False Gospels** - Even in the first century A.D., there were different gospels that distorted the gospel of Christ (**Galatians 1:6-9**). Are you sure that you have heard the true gospel of Christ?

**The Gospel Must Be Obeyed** - Peter raises the question, "*what will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God?*" (**1Pe 4:17**) Paul answers that there will be terrible consequences for "*those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus.*" (**2Th 1:7-9**) Are you sure you have obeyed the gospel of Christ?

With these preliminary considerations in mind, let's now examine the gospel, noting first that...

## ETERNAL TRUTHS TO BELIEVE!

**Jesus Died For Our Sins** - Paul wrote that according to the Scriptures Jesus died for our sins (**1Corinthians 15:1-3**). He referred to **Isaiah 53:4-6**, written 700 years before Jesus' death.

**Jesus Was Buried And Raised** - His burial and resurrection from the dead were foretold by Scripture and attested to by many eyewitnesses (**1Corinthians 15:4-8**).

**Jesus Is Lord And Saviour** - He has been exalted to sit at the right hand of God, and rules as both Lord and Saviour (**Acts 2:33-36**). He now has all authority in heaven and on earth (**Matthew 28:18; Ephesians 1:20-22; 1Peter 3:22**).

**Jesus Is Coming Again** - He is returning as promised, to judge the world in righteousness (**Ac 1:9-11; 17:30-31**). Are you ready for that great day? Well, in the gospel of Christ...

## HOW ABOUT YOU?

You have heard the gospel and what you must do in order to be saved. The responsibility of your salvation now rests with you. If you desire to study these things further, or to be baptized into Christ today, please reach us!

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## **STRESSED? DEPRESSED? BURDENED WITH GUILT?**

Please Consider...

### **The Savior's Invitation**

*"Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light."*

*- Matthew 11:28-30*

The above passage is commonly referred to as "The Savior's Tender Invitation." He extended the invitation during His earthly ministry, and it is still open to all today!

### **TO WHOM IS THE INVITATION GIVEN?**

**"All you who labour and are heavy laden" - First and**



foremost, to those burdened by the heavy weight of sin. Sin is a burden that separates one from God (**Isaiah 59:1-2**). It also has terrible side effects: lack of inner peace, anxiety, depression, fear, and doubt (**Isaiah 48:22**), and the ultimate consequence of sin: spiritual death (**Romans 6:23**). This invitation, then, is for everyone, for all are sinners (**Romans 3:23,10**), and are in bondage to sin and its heavy burden (**John 8:34**).

**Unfortunately, many are too proud to admit their burden** – You might think you can resolve it on your own through your spartan lifestyle and/or good deeds, You can't! “The Savior's Tender Invitation” is especially for you!

Perhaps you are wondering...

### **WHAT IS JESUS OFFERING?**

**“I will give you rest...you will find rest for your souls.”** - Jesus offers rest for our souls! Souls burdened by the guilt of sin, which separates us from God (i.e., legal guilt), and the side effects of sin, such as anxiety, depression, fear, and doubt (i.e., emotional guilt). Consider further what this rest offers:

**Removal of the guilt of sin** - By God's love and grace, the forgiveness of sin is now possible through Jesus Christ (**Romans 5:8-9; 1John 4:9-10; Ephesians 1:7**). Through His blood shed on the cross, Jesus frees us from the condemnation of sin (**Romans 8:1**).

**Removal of the side effects of sin** - To have true rest for our souls, we need more than just forgiveness. For even those forgiven of sins may be plagued by the side effects of sin. Having lived so long under the burden of sin, it is not always easy to lay aside the feelings that often accompany sin (e.g., anxiety, fear, doubt).

**To remove anxiety, Jesus offers peace to calm the troubled heart** - It is peace unlike any the world might give (**John 14:27**), stronger than any tribulation the world might bring (**John 16:33**), guarding our hearts and minds with a peace that “passes understanding” (**Philippians 4:7**).

### **HOW ABOUT YOU?**

Do you desire the rest for your soul that is offered in “The Savior's Invitation”? Then come to Jesus in full obedience to His gospel! Commit to becoming His disciple, learning and doing all the things all that He commanded!

- Receive remission of sins (**Acts 2:36; 22:16**)
- Put on Christ (**Galatians 3:27**)
- Rise to walk in newness of life (**Romans 6:3-4**)

**Have you accepted the yoke of Jesus?** Are you living under His yoke? If you desire to study these things further, or to be baptized into Christ today, let us know!