

And Pharaoh had his chariot made ready and took his army with him. He took six hundred chosen chariots, along with all the chariots of Egypt, with captains over all of them. The LORD GOD hardened the heart of Pharaoh, and he pursued after the children of Israel, who went out with a high hand. The Egyptians—all Pharaoh's horses and his chariots and his horsemen and his army pursued after the Israelites and overtook them as they camped by the Red sea near Pihahiroth, opposite Baalzephon. When Pharaoh drew nigh, the Israelites lifted up their eyes, and there were the Egyptians, marching after them. They were terribly frightened and cried out to the LORD GOD. They said to Moses,

“Because there were no graves in Egypt, hast thou taken us away to die in the wilderness? wherefore hast thou dealt thus with us, to carry us forth out of Egypt? Is not this the word that we did tell thee in Egypt, saying, Let us alone, that we may serve the Egyptians? For it had been better for us to serve the Egyptians, than that we should die in the wilderness.”

Exodus 14:11-12

9.79 THE CROSSING OF THE RED SEA

And Moses said to the people,

“Fear ye not, stand still, and see the salvation (deliverance) of the LORD, which HE will shew to you today: for the Egyptians whom ye have seen today, ye shall see them again no more for ever. The LORD shall fight for you, and ye shall hold your peace.”

Exodus 14:13-14

Then the LORD GOD said to Moses,

“Wherefore criest thou unto ME? speak unto the children of Israel, that they go forward: But lift thou up thy rod, and stretch out thine hand over the sea, and divide it: and the children of Israel shall go on dry ground through the midst of the sea.”

Exodus 14:15-16

Then the LORD GOD, who had been going in front of the camp of Israel, withdrew and went behind them. The pillar of cloud also went from before their face, and stood behind them. The pillar of cloud came between the camp of the Egyptians and the camp of

Israel. It brought darkness to the one side and light to the other; it brought darkness to the Egyptians and light to the Israelites; so that the Egyptians could not come near the Israelites all night long.

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and the LORD GOD caused the sea to go back by a strong east wind all that night, and made the sea into a dry land, and the waters were divided. The children of Israel went into the midst of the sea upon the dry ground, and the waters were a wall to them on their right, and on their left. The Egyptians pursued them and went in after them to the midst of the sea, even all Pharaoh's horses and his chariots and his horsemen and his army. Then in the morning watch, the LORD GOD looked to the host of the Egyptians through the pillar of fire and of the cloud, and confused the whole Egyptian army. The LORD GOD made the wheels of their chariots come off so that they drove heavily scraping along the dry ground. And the Egyptians said,

“Let us flee from the face of Israel; for the LORD fighteth for them against the Egyptians.”

Exodus 14:25

Then the LORD GOD said to Moses,

“Stretch out thine hand over the sea, that the waters may come again upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots, and upon their horsemen.”

Exodus 14:26

Moses stretched forth his hand over the sea as commanded by the LORD GOD. When the morning appeared, the sea returned to its place with great strength. The Egyptians fled against it, and the LORD GOD overthrew the Egyptians in the midst of the sea. The waters returned, and covered the entire cavalry, the chariots, and the horsemen, and all the host of Pharaoh that had followed the Israelites into the sea. Not one of them remained or survived. But the children of Israel walked through on dry land in the midst of the sea; and the waters were a wall to them on their right, and on their left. Thus, the LORD GOD saved Israel that day from the hands of the Egyptians; and the Israelites saw the Egyptians lying dead on the seashore. When Israel saw the great work, which the LORD GOD had done upon the Egyptians, the people feared the LORD GOD, and believed the LORD GOD, and HIS servant Moses. Praise The LORD! Alleluia!

9.80 THE WATERS OF MARAH

Then Moses led the Israelites in the wilderness of Shur. They travelled in the wilderness for three days without finding water. When they came to Marah, they could not drink its water because it was bitter. But the LORD GOD turned the bitter water into sweet through HIS servant Moses. See Exodus 15:22-25. Again, the LORD GOD gave them water by splitting the rocks.

“HE clave the rocks in the wilderness, and gave them drink as out of the great depths. HE brought streams also out of the rock, and caused waters to run down like rivers.”

Psalm 78:15-16

9.81 THE ANGELS' FOOD (MANNA)

Further, the LORD GOD gave them food, the angels' food or the corn of heaven for forty years. Their clothes did not wear out and their feet did not swell and their shoes did not wear out during these forty years.

“And had rained down manna upon them to eat, and had given them of the corn of heaven. Man did eat angels' food: HE sent them meat (food) to the full.”

Psalm 78:24-25

“And the house of Israel called the name thereof Manna: and it was like coriander seed, white; and the taste of it was like wafers made with honey.”

Exodus 16:31

“Thy raiment waxed not old upon thee, neither did thy foot swell, these forty years.”

Deuteronomy 8:4

“And I have led you forty years in the wilderness: your clothes are not waxen old upon you, and thy shoe is not waxen old upon thy foot.”

Deuteronomy 29:5

9.82 THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

At mount Sinai, the LORD GOD gave the Ten Commandments to the children of Israel through HIS servant Moses. The Ten Commandments are:

“And GOD spake all these words, saying, I am the LORD thy GOD, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. Thou shalt have no other gods before ME. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth: Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy GOD am a jealous GOD, visiting (punishing) the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate ME; And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love ME, and keep MY commandments. Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy GOD in vain; for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh HIS name in vain. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work: But the seventh day is the sabbath of the LORD thy GOD: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it. Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy GOD giveth thee. Thou shalt not kill. Thou shalt not commit adultery. Thou shalt not steal. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour’s house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour’s wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbour’s.”

Exodus 20:1-17

9.83 THE LAW OF THE OLD TESTAMENT

Again, the LORD GOD gave the law of the Old Testament to the children of Israel through HIS servant Moses. The Levitical priests and their qualifications and their works were explained in the law. Aaron, the Levite became the high priest by the call of GOD.

“And no man taketh this honour unto himself, but he that is called of GOD, as was Aaron.”

Hebrews 5:4

9.84 THE TABERNACLE

Further, the erection of the tabernacle in the shadow of heaven, the kingdom of GOD was done by Moses to congregate (assemble) and worship the LORD GOD.

“Who serve unto the example (copy) and shadow of heavenly things, as Moses was admonished (divinely instructed) of GOD when he was about to make the tabernacle: for, See, saith HE, that thou make all things according to the pattern shewed to thee in the mount.”

Hebrews 8:5

The LORD GOD spoke to Moses out of the tabernacle of the congregation, as a man speaks to his friend.

“And the LORD called unto Moses, and spake unto him out of the tabernacle of the congregation, ...”

Leviticus 1:1

“And the LORD spake unto Moses face to face, as a man speaketh unto his friend. ...”

Exodus 33:11

“With him will I speak mouth to mouth, even apparently (plainly), and not in dark speeches; and the similitude of the LORD shall he behold: wherefore then were ye not afraid to speak against MY servant Moses?”

Numbers 12:8

9.85 THE END OF THE OLD TESTAMENT SACRIFICES

Furthermore, the regulations concerning the Old Testament sacrifices were given by the LORD GOD through HIS servant Moses. But the most glorious sacrifice of CHRIST on Calvary had ended the Old Testament sacrifices. The complete sacrifice of CHRIST for our sin should be remembered, and we should give ourselves as living sacrifices to the LORD GOD, JESUS CHRIST.

“I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of GOD, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto GOD, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of GOD.”

Romans 12:1-2

9.86 THE WATER OF MERIBAH

Then the whole congregation of the Israelites arrived at the desert of Zin, and they stayed at Kadesh. There was no water for the congregation and they gathered themselves together against Moses and Aaron. And the people contended with Moses.

Then Moses and Aaron went from the presence of the assembly to the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, and they fell upon their faces. The glory of the LORD GOD appeared to them, and the LORD GOD said to Moses,

“Take the rod, and gather thou the assembly together, thou, and Aaron thy brother, and speak ye unto the rock before their eyes; and it shall give forth his water, and thou shalt bring forth to them water out of the rock: so thou shalt give the congregation and their beasts drink.”

Numbers 20:8

Moses took the rod from the presence of the LORD GOD, as the LORD GOD commanded him. Then Moses and Aaron gathered the congregation together before the rock, and Moses said to them,

“Hear now, ye rebels; must we fetch you water out of this rock?”

Numbers 20:10

Then Moses lifted up his hand, and with his rod he smote the rock twice. The water came out abundantly, and the whole congregation drank, and their beasts also drank. But the LORD GOD said to Moses and Aaron,

“Because ye believed ME not, to sanctify ME in the eyes of the children of Israel, therefore ye shall not bring this congregation into the land which I have given them.”

Numbers 20:12

This is the water of Meribah (Contention), where the Israelites protested against the LORD GOD, and where the LORD GOD was sanctified among them.

The LORD GOD commanded Moses to speak to the rock before the eyes of the Israelites, to bring water out of the rock for them and for their livestock. But instead Moses smote the rock twice with his rod. He did not sanctify the most Sovereign GOD; he did not hallow

the most Sovereign GOD; he did not set the most Sovereign GOD apart in the sight of the Israelites. So he forfeited his privilege to bring the Israelites into **C**anaan, the **P**romised **L**and.

9.87 JOSHUA TO SUCCEED MOSES

Then Moses said to the LORD GOD,

“Let the LORD, the GOD of the spirits of all flesh, set a man over the congregation, Which may go out before them, and which may go in before them, and which may lead them out, and which may bring them in; that the congregation of the LORD be not as sheep which have no shepherd.”

Numbers 27:16-17

Then the LORD GOD said to Moses,

“Take thee Joshua the son of Nun, a man in whom is the Spirit, and lay thine hand upon him; And set him before Eleazar the priest, and before all the congregation; and give him a charge in their sight. And thou shalt put some of thine honour upon him, that all the congregation of the children of Israel may be obedient. And he shall stand before Eleazar the priest, who shall ask counsel for him after the judgment of Urim before the LORD: at his word shall they go out, and at his word they shall come in, both he, and all the children of Israel with him, even all the congregation.”

Numbers 27:18-21

And Moses did as the LORD GOD had commanded him. Joshua was filled with the Spirit of wisdom because Moses had laid his hands on him. So the Israelites listened to him and did what the LORD GOD had commanded Moses. Joshua then conquered the land of Canaan and apportioned it to the tribes of Israel. The bones of Joseph, which the Israelites had brought up from Egypt, were buried at Shechem. Now, this earthly Canaan reveals the coming heavenly Canaan or the kingdom of heaven or the kingdom of GOD.

9.88 THE DEATH OF MOSES

Moses blessed the tribes of Israel and then he went up from the plains of Moab to the mountain of Nebo, to the top of Pisgah. The LORD GOD showed him the land of Canaan, the Promised Land, which HE promised on oath to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob (Israel).

Then Moses, the servant of the LORD GOD died there in the land of Moab, according to the Word of the LORD GOD. The LORD GOD buried him in a valley in the land of Moab, but to this day, no one knows where his sepulchre (tomb) is. This most extraordinary act of our LORD GOD reveals the fact that HE gave him rest due to his sufferings. Since then, no prophet has risen in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD GOD knew face to face.

“And there arose not a prophet since in Israel like unto Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face, In all the signs and the wonders, which the LORD sent him to do in the land of Egypt to Pharaoh, and to all his servants, and to all his land, And in all that mighty hand, and in all the great terror which Moses shewed in the sight of all Israel.”

Deuteronomy 34:10-12

9.89 THE LAW OF MOSES

The LORD GOD gave HIS law to Moses, and Moses gave it to the people. Thus, the books of the Law (the Torah) are called the law of Moses. By the HOLY SPIRIT of the LORD GOD, Moses wrote about the creation of the world, the fall of mankind into sin, the promise of the Saviour, the wickedness of succeeding generations, the great flood which destroyed all mankind except Noah and his family, the confusion of languages at the tower of Babel and the subsequent scattering of various language groups, the call of Abraham (Abram), and the history of Israel up to his own lifetime. The first five Books of the Holy Bible are called the Books of Moses. They are **GENESIS, EXODUS, LEVITICUS, NUMBERS** and **DEUTERONOMY**. These books are also called Pentateuch. Moses was the original author of the Pentateuch (except for Deuteronomy 34, which recounts the death of Moses). Moses was a hundred and twenty years old when he died (Deuteronomy 34:7). The first forty years, he spent as Pharaoh's son, learning the wisdom of the Egyptians (Acts 7:22). The next forty years, he spent in the desert of Midian as a shepherd (Exodus 2:15; 3:1; Acts 7:30). The final forty years, he spent wandering in the Sinai wilderness with the children of Israel (Deuteronomy 8:2-4). He wrote all the books of the Pentateuch in his last forty years of life, during the wilderness wanderings. He endured great hardships and troubles during the wilderness wanderings.

“And he (Moses) was there with the LORD forty days and forty nights; he did neither eat bread, nor drink water. And he wrote upon the tables the words of the covenant, the ten commandments.”

Exodus 34:28

9.90 MOSES’ PROPHECY ABOUT CHRIST (MESSIAH)

Moses had prophesied about our **P**romised **P**rophet, viz., the LORD JESUS CHRIST, the SAVIOUR and the REDEEMER.

“This is that Moses, which said unto the children of Israel, A Prophet shall the LORD your GOD raise up unto you of your brethren, like unto me; HIM shall ye hear.”

Acts 7:37

“For Moses truly said unto the fathers, A Prophet shall the LORD your GOD raise up unto you of your brethren, like unto me; HIM shall ye hear in all things whatsoever HE shall say unto you. And it shall come to pass, that every soul, which will not hear that Prophet, shall be destroyed from among the people. Yea, and all the prophets from Samuel and those that follow after, as many as have spoken, have likewise foretold of these days. Ye are the children of the prophets, and of the covenant which GOD made with our fathers, saying unto Abraham, And in thy seed shall all the kindreds of the earth be blessed. Unto you first GOD, having raised up HIS SON JESUS, sent HIM to bless you, in turning away every one of you from his iniquities.”

Acts 3:22-26

“To HIM give all the prophets witness, that through HIS (JESUS CHRIST’s) name whosoever believeth in HIM shall receive remission of sins.”

Acts 10:43

“Neither is there salvation in any other (other than JESUS CHRIST): for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.”

Acts 4:12

“In whom we have redemption through HIS (JESUS CHRIST’s) blood, even the forgiveness of sins.”

Colossians 1:14

Our LORD JESUS CHRIST was born about fifteen hundred years after the prophecy was spoken by Moses. So, after about fifteen

hundred years, when our LORD JESUS CHRIST was in this world as Saviour, HE spoke to the Jewish (Israelite) leaders who claimed to be followers of Moses,

“For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed ME: for he wrote of ME. But if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe MY Words?”

St. John 5:46-47

9.91 ABRAHAM’S SEED IS CHRIST (MESSIAH)

Further, we saw that the LORD GOD had given a glorious promise to Abraham.

“And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed MY voice.”

Genesis 22:18

"**The seed**" is "The LORD GOD, JESUS CHRIST, the SAVIOUR and the REDEEMER", who according to HIS human nature was a descendant of Abraham, born two thousand years after the promise was given. This promise was repeated to Abraham's son Isaac.

“...And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed.”

Genesis 26:4

Again, this promise was repeated to Abraham's grandson Jacob or Israel.

“...In thee and in thy seed shall all the families of the earth be blessed.”

Genesis 28:14

Further, GOD also told Abraham that he would be the father of many nations, and that his descendants would be as numerous as the dust of the earth, and as the stars of the sky, and as the sand on the seashore. See Genesis 17:4-5; 13:16; 15:5 and 22:17. Abraham is the father of faith in GOD, due to his faithful obedience to GOD's call and HIS commands. The Christian faith is a strong faith, rooted in the promises of GOD; and the Christian faith is a growing faith; and the Christian life is a growing life in faith.

The Holy Bible of the most holy GOD says that Abraham is the father of all who believe in JESUS.

“...That he (Abraham) might be the father of all them that believe, ...”

Romans 4:11

“Know ye therefore that they which are of faith, the same are the children of Abraham.”

Galatians 3:7

Furthermore, if one belongs to the LORD JESUS CHRIST, then he is Abraham's seed, and heir of eternal life according to the promise. All mankind will be blessed in Abraham's seed and principal heir, the LORD JESUS CHRIST.

“And if ye be CHRIST's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.”

Galatians 3:29

“And if children, then heirs; heirs of GOD, and joint-heirs with CHRIST; if so be that we suffer with HIM, that we may be also glorified together.”

Romans 8:17

'Joint-heirs with CHRIST' means 'all believers will share all of their inheritance in the kingdom of GOD together and they will be glorified according to their devoted and sacrificial lives they live in the LORD GOD, JESUS CHRIST'.

“Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their FATHER. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.”

St. Matthew 13:43

10. BELIEVERS OF CHRIST OR MESSIAH ARE CALLED CHRISTIANS

In the first century, the believers of CHRIST or MESSIAH were called Christians; the saved people of CHRIST were called Christians; and the saved and those who received immersion baptism in the name of the FATHER and of the SON and of the HOLY SPIRIT were called Christians; those who continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in prayers, and in Holy Communion, were called Christians (Acts 2:42); those who lived in the Spirit and those who walked in the Spirit were called Christians (Galatians 5:25); and the disciples of CHRIST were called Christians.

“...And the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch.”

Acts 11:26

10.1 CHRISTIANITY—THE ONLY DIVINE RELIGION OF CHRIST OR MESSIAH

The only divine religion based on the belief that CHRIST is the ONE GOD and the ONLY GOD and the ONE AND ONLY TRUE GOD and the ONLY SAVIOUR and the ONLY REDEEMER and the ONE LORD and based on HIS most precious teachings, is Christianity. Hence, Christianity is the religion of CHRIST or MESSIAH.

Now, only in Christianity do we see the worship of the Most High GOD, the most powerful GOD, the most Sovereign GOD, the Almighty GOD, the most wonderful GOD, the everlasting GOD, the ONE GOD, the ONLY GOD, and the ONE AND ONLY TRUE GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST. Praise The LORD! Alleluia!

Only in Christianity do we see the love, feeling, hope, faith and will of men towards GOD. Only in Christianity do we see that the LORD GOD, JESUS CHRIST is capable of hearing our prayers, powerful to do all good things to us, able to help us at all times and able to supply all our needs by HIS extraordinary might and power. Only in Christianity do we see the sense of strong friendship with GOD. Only in Christianity can man be in living relation with GOD. Only in Christianity can man hope to be transformed into the likeness of GOD. Praise The LORD! Alleluia!

Only in Christianity do we see the true relationship between GOD and HIS people, viz., father and children. Only in Christianity do we see a divine worship of GOD, for our spiritual and bodily ends and needs and for our heavenly and worldly ends and needs. Only in Christianity do we find the divine healing of the soul and body. The only divine healer is the LORD GOD, JESUS CHRIST. Only in Christianity do we see a life of infinite and eternal value. Praise The LORD! Alleluia!

Only in Christianity do we see the highest value of a man's eternal life. Christianity clearly reveals an inward man, the soul, and the outward man, the body. Christianity clearly reveals the Supreme Being, viz., the LORD GOD, JESUS CHRIST. Only in Christianity do we see the divine qualities of GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST. Praise The LORD! Alleluia!

Christianity clearly reveals the kingdom of heaven or the kingdom of GOD. Christianity clearly reveals hell. Christianity clearly reveals judgment. Christianity clearly reveals the Millennium of CHRIST or the thousand years rule of CHRIST in this world. Christianity clearly reveals that the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein will be burned up. See II Peter 3:10. Christianity clearly reveals the creation of new heavens and a new earth and a rejoicing New Jerusalem and the creation of a joyful new people.

“For, behold, I create new heavens and a new earth: and the former shall not be remembered, nor come into mind. But be ye glad and rejoice for ever in that which I create: for, behold, I create Jerusalem a rejoicing, and her people a joy. And I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and joy in MY people: and the voice of weeping shall be no more heard in her, nor the voice of crying.”

Isaiah 65:17-19

“For as the new heavens and the new earth, which I will make, shall remain before ME, saith the LORD, so shall your seed and your name remain.”

Isaiah 66:22

10.2 CHRISTIANITY IS THE CONTINUATION OF THE FIRST-EVER RELIGION

Christianity is the Christian religion, the only divine religion that is based on the divine teachings of our LORD JESUS CHRIST and the divine belief that HE is the ONE GOD and the ONLY GOD and the ONE AND ONLY TRUE GOD (I John 5:20; I Corinthians 8:6).

GOD created mankind to be fruitful (Genesis 1:28). GOD created mankind to fulfil HIS will that a sinless and holy tribe of people, the ONE PEOPLE of the ONE GOD, a godly people, a blessed and immortal people might greatly multiply from Adam and Eve (Malachi 2:15).

GOD created mankind to fear before HIM always (Proverbs 28:14); and to keep HIS divine commandments and to delight greatly in HIS divine commandments (Psalm 112:1). If anyone fears GOD, then he will hate evil (Proverbs 8:13). GOD created mankind to be a blessed and mighty generation of the upright (Psalm 112:2).

Now, GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST created mankind in HIM to do good works, which HE prepared beforehand that they should walk in them. HE never created mankind to do evil works or sinful works. HE never created mankind to walk according to the lust of the flesh or fleshly lusts; HE never created mankind to walk according to the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life (I John 2:16). HE never created mankind to walk according to their will and pleasure. HE created mankind to live according to HIS will. HE created mankind to live according to HIS laws and statutes and covenants.

“For we are HIS workmanship (creation), created in CHRIST JESUS unto good works, which GOD hath before ordained (prepared) that we should walk in them.”

Ephesians 2:10

Besides, GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST chose mankind in HIM before the foundation (creation) of the world, that they should be holy and without blame before HIM in love.

“According as HE hath chosen us in HIM before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before HIM in love.”

Ephesians 1:4

Again, our GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST is the all-knowing GOD. HE had known that the mankind would certainly fall into sin and they would certainly need a Saviour to save them from their sins or a Redeemer to redeem them from their sins.

So, before the foundation (creation) of the world, the Saviour (the LORD JESUS CHRIST) was foreordained for the people of the whole world. This clearly means that before the foundation of the world, salvation to the people of the whole world was planned and prepared by GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST; and before the foundation of the world, holiness and holy life and all other spiritual experiences were prepared by GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST for the people of the whole world. To reveal and to give these divine spiritual (heavenly) blessings to mankind, our GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST was manifest (revealed) in these last times and sacrificed HIMSELF on the cross at Calvary.

“But with the precious blood of CHRIST, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot: Who verily was foreordained before

the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you."

I Peter 1:19-20

Again, from the foundation (creation) of the world, the Lamb of GOD (the LORD JESUS CHRIST) was in principle, slain for the people of the whole world. This clearly means that our GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST's redemptive death for the people of the whole world, was a determined fact from the foundation of the world due to the sins of mankind (due to the sins of the first man Adam and of the first woman Eve and of their descendants).

"...The Lamb slain from the foundation of the world."

Revelation 13:8

Besides, our GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST came into the world and preached the divine gospel of GOD's salvation, the Word of GOD. HIS disciples also preached the Word of GOD, the divine Gospel of GOD's salvation. At the present time also, HIS true ministers or servants (apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers) preach the Word of GOD, the divine gospel of GOD's salvation. The Holy Bible, the Word of GOD or the Holy Scriptures also preaches the divine gospel of GOD's salvation. Thus, the Word of GOD strongly bears witness on earth about our GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST.

Again, our GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST completely shed HIS most holy blood from Gethsemane to Calvary for us. So, HIS most holy blood also strongly bears witness on earth about HIM.

Further, our GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST gave up HIS Spirit or breathed HIS last on the cross at Calvary (St. Matthew 27:50). So, HIS Spirit also strongly bears witness on earth about HIM.

Thus, the **Spirit of god**, the **Word of god**, and the **blood of god** always bear witness on earth about our GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST strongly. So, no one can escape from these three strong witnesses of GOD. No one can escape from GOD. No sinner can escape from HIS terrible wrath. No sinner can escape from HIS terrible judgment. No sinner can escape hell, the fiery lake of burning sulphur.

"And there are three that bear witness in earth, the Spirit, and the water, and the blood: and these three agree in (as) one."

I John 5:8

'The water' means 'the Word of GOD or the Word of Truth' (St. John 3:5; James 1:18).

Now, in the beginning the ONE GOD, and the ONLY GOD and the ONE AND ONLY TRUE GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST was worshipped by mankind, since HE is the ONE GOD and the Creator.

“...There is none other GOD but one. But to us there is but one GOD, the FATHER, of whom are all things, and we in HIM; and one LORD JESUS CHRIST, by whom are all things, and we by HIM.”

I Corinthians 8:4, 6

Thus, in the beginning there was a true worship of the TRUE GOD; there was one worship of the ONE GOD; and there was only one worship of the ONLY GOD. In the beginning, people worshipped the ONE GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST in the beauty of holiness; they worshipped HIM out of a pure heart; they worshipped HIM and loved HIM with all their heart and with all their soul and with all their strength; and they worshipped their own Creator, the LORD JESUS CHRIST. In the beginning there was no idolatry or any other form of worship. The early world had no idols, no temples and no priests.

Hence, all other worships against the ONE GOD, the ONLY GOD and the ONE AND ONLY TRUE GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST came later. Nature-worship (the worship of sun, moon, star and other heavenly bodies, the winds, the thunders, the storms, the rain, the fire, the sky, the rivers, the springs, the wells, the tree or trees, the groves, the crops, the fruits, the rocks and stones (artificial or natural stones), birds, reptiles, etc.), ancestor-worship, animal-worship, worship of human spirits and other evil spirits, fetish-worship (objects supposed to be visited by spirits), idolatry, personifications, sphinx-worship, the practice of having totems (totemism), etc., came later, against the ONE GOD, and the ONLY GOD, and the ONE AND ONLY TRUE GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST. The weakest and the worst things or the weakest and the abominable things in the world are subjugated to the strongest and the most holy LORD GOD, JESUS CHRIST.

Now, from the history of mankind referred to in the Holy Bible, we come to know that, first of all, the first man Adam and the first woman Eve worshipped GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST. Then in the

second generation Abel, the son of Adam worshipped GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST.

Hence in the beginning, religion was one. In the beginning religion was universal among the people. In the beginning there was one and only universal religion, that was the religion of the ONE GOD, and the ONLY GOD, and the ONE AND ONLY TRUE GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST.

Then in the third generation, Enos worshipped GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST. Then in the seventh generation, Enoch worshipped GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST. Enoch walked with GOD and GOD took him from this life, so that he did not experience death (Genesis 5:21-24). In the tenth generation, except Noah, all people on earth had corrupted their ways. But Noah worshipped GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST. Noah was a just man and perfect in his generation and he walked with GOD. In the twentieth generation, Abraham worshipped GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST. The LORD GOD gave him great promises also. In the twenty-first generation, Isaac worshipped GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST. He had also received great promises from GOD. In the twenty-second generation, Jacob (Israel) worshipped GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST and so on. He had also received great promises from GOD.

Then Moses worshipped GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST in the name of "I AM THAT I AM" and in the name of JEHOVAH or YAHWEH or YHWH. JEHOVAH or YAHWEH or YHWH and the LORD GOD, JESUS CHRIST are the ONE GOD and the ONLY GOD and the ONE AND ONLY TRUE GOD. JEHOVAH or YAHWEH or YHWH and the LORD GOD, JESUS CHRIST are the ONE and the same GOD. Praise The LORD! Alleluia! "I AM" reveals GOD as the supreme Being, and absolutely self-existent Being, and absolutely permanent-existent Being, having eternal life in HIM. JEHOVAH or YAHWEH or YHWH is the ONE GOD and the ONLY GOD and the ONE AND ONLY TRUE GOD of the Jews. But JEHOVAH or YAHWEH or YHWH, the GOD of the Jews is the LORD GOD, JESUS CHRIST. Thus, JEHOVAH or YAHWEH or YHWH or the LORD GOD, JESUS CHRIST is the ONE GOD and the ONLY GOD and the ONE AND ONLY TRUE GOD of the Christians. Hence, the Jews (the Israelites) and the Christians have the ONE and the same GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST. Praise The LORD! Alleluia!

“Moreover, brethren, I would not (do not want) that ye should be ignorant (unaware), how that all our fathers were under the cloud, and all passed through the sea; And were all baptized unto Moses in the cloud and in the sea; And did all eat the same spiritual meat (food); And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was CHRIST.”

I Corinthians 10:1-4

From these, we come to know that Christianity is the continuation of the Jewish Religion and this Jewish Religion is the continuation of the first-ever religion. Thus, Christianity is the continuation of the first-ever religion; and Christianity is the continuation of the first-ever religion in which the ONE GOD and the ONLY GOD and the ONE AND ONLY TRUE GOD had been worshipped; and Christianity is the only soul-saving religion. Praise The LORD! Alleluia!

When the **living soul** (the breath of life) of man goes away, the man dies (Genesis 2:7). But the soul is not dead. If there is no opening, the soul of a sinful man is able to move about and pass through to make unpleasant noises, and to cause various troubles. The soul of a sinful man does these things. But the soul of a holy man will not do like this. His soul will be caught up in the **third heaven** by the LORD GOD, JESUS CHRIST and it will be in complete rest up to the coming of CHRIST. Hence, from these things, we come to know that the person continually exists after the death of the body, i.e., the soul continually exists after the death of the body. This soul can be saved, only by the LORD GOD, JESUS CHRIST, the Only SAVIOUR. Thus the only soul-saving religion is Christianity. Praise The LORD! Alleluia!

Thus, Christianity is the one and only religion of the ONE GOD and the ONLY GOD and the ONE AND ONLY TRUE GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST; and Christianity is the one and only universal religion of the GOD of the universe. The LORD GOD, JESUS CHRIST is the ONE GOD and the ONLY GOD and the ONE AND ONLY TRUE GOD, who should be accepted by all universally. Hence, Christianity the only divine religion of GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST, should be accepted by all universally, to enter into the kingdom of GOD or the kingdom of CHRIST or the kingdom of heaven. Praise The LORD! Alleluia!

10.3 CHRISTIANITY—HIDDEN AND REVEALED

Our LORD GOD, JESUS CHRIST's eyes are too pure to look at evil. So HE hides HIMSELF and HE hides HIS most holy face to evil or sin.

“THOU art of purer eyes than to behold evil, and canst not look on iniquity (wickedness): ...”

Habakkuk 1:13

Now, Christianity, the first-ever religion and the only true religion of the ONE AND ONLY TRUE GOD has been hidden due to the sins of mankind. Christianity, the only divine religion of GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST, the religion of the ONE GOD and the ONLY GOD and the ONE AND ONLY TRUE GOD, has been hidden and unrevealed due to the sins of mankind. But it has been revealed to all people of the world, by our LORD JESUS CHRIST's vicarious death on the cross. Christianity, the new and living way has been revealed to all the people of the world, through our LORD JESUS CHRIST's ploughed and pierced body. HIS most holy body was ploughed up by severe scourging (whipping). Six Roman soldiers scourged our LORD JESUS CHRIST severely. The Roman scourge consisted of a whip, split into several strips, into which sharp bones and metal pieces were embedded to cut the flesh. HIS most holy head was pierced by a sharp thorny iron crown. HIS most holy face was wounded by the plucking out of HIS beard. HIS most holy hands and feet were pierced by long nails and HIS most holy side (heart) was pierced by a spear. A Roman soldier pierced HIS side with a spear.

“Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of JESUS, By a new and living way, which HE hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, HIS flesh.”

Hebrews 10:19-20

“The plowers plowed upon MY back: they made long their furrows.”

Psalms 129:3

“I gave MY back to the smiters, and MY cheeks to them that plucked off the hair: I hid not MY face from shame and spitting.”

Isaiah 50:6

“But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced HIS side, and

forthwith (immediately) came there out blood and water.”

St. John 19:34

The hidden divine religion has been revealed to the whole world, through the horrible wounds of our LORD JESUS CHRIST, the ONE AND ONLY TRUE GOD. Now, the hidden divine religion is very clearly visible to the whole world, through the horrible wounds of our LORD JESUS CHRIST, the ONE AND ONLY TRUE GOD. Christianity, the only divine religion of the ONE AND ONLY TRUE GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST is very clearly visible to all. Praise The LORD! Alleluia!

1 1 . OTHER RELIGIONS

Except Christianity, all the other religions of the world are religions of the material world. All the religions of the material world are full of errors and failures and disappointments. All the religions of the material world are not spiritual. All the religions of the material world are material. At this point, it is relevant to discuss some details of the religions of the material world.

Now, **Buddhism** is the religion of Buddhists. It is an Asian religion based on the teaching of Buddha (Gautama Siddhartha). Originally, Buddhism had no gods and no worship. It was a religion without GOD, without priesthood, without prayer and without worship. Hence, Buddha the founder of Buddhism is credited with having preached atheism. Originally, Buddha was not an object of worship. But the deification of Buddha and the worship of him and ancestor-worship are in Buddhism. In Buddhism, Buddhists had no ceremony for any gods. In Buddhism, there are so many reincarnations. This belief is completely contrary to the Holy Bible, the Holy Word of GOD, which says,

“...It is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment.”

Hebrews 9:27

This clearly means that there is no reincarnation; and concerning GOD's judgment there is no exception.

Again, the Holy Bible, the Holy Word of GOD says,

“...The spirit (of man) shall return unto GOD who gave it.”

Ecclesiastes 12:7

“For GOD shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.”

Ecclesiastes 12:14

Agnostic is a person who is not sure whether or not GOD exists. Agnostic is a person who believes that nothing can be known about the existence of GOD. Such belief is called **agnosticism**. Agnostics have no belief about immortal things. Agnostics are sinners.

Atheist is a person who believes that there is no GOD. Disbelief in the existence of GOD is called **atheism**. Atheists are sinners. They have no belief about immortal things. GOD, however, has revealed HIMSELF very clearly to us in HIS most Holy Word, the Holy Bible. The denial of GOD's existence brings moral decay of the human race. The denial of GOD's existence brings universal depravity of the human race. A proverb in English language says: 'An atheist is one point beyond the devil'.

What does the Holy Bible, the Holy Scriptures tell about an atheist?

“The fool hath said in his heart, There is no GOD. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, there is none that doeth good.”

Psalms 14:1

Buddhism declares that man must save himself by his own efforts. Hence, it is broadly human and it is a product of human mind. Buddha was a man, and Buddhism is a record of his human life and his human experience. The well-known denial of soul in Buddhism is that the soul is nothing but the name and form—made up, like the body, of the four elements, viz., earth, air, fire and water. Buddhism is a sad religion and it is not a full religion, since it aims not at the most holy kingdom of GOD or the most holy kingdom of heaven. By one's own efforts, no one can get salvation from sins and holiness and holy life to enter into the most holy kingdom of GOD.

Jainism is the religion of Jainists (Jains). Jainism is an Indian religion so like Buddhism. It also has a human founder. Mahavira the founder of Jainism was also an atheist. Originally, Jains had no gods. But the deification of Mahavira and the worship of him are in Jainism. Jainism is also a sad religion and it is not a full religion, since it

aims not at the most holy kingdom of GOD or the most holy kingdom of heaven.

Confucianism is the name of the philosophy of Confucious of China. His conversation was chiefly about worldly matters. His philosophy was based on moral responsibility of every individual in the capacity of son, father, student, ruler, subject, etc. Confucianism is interested chiefly in human relationships and not in immortality. The main doctrine of Confucianism is that the measure of man is man. Hence, Confucianism is not at all a religion. It never aims at the most holy kingdom of GOD or the most holy kingdom of heaven.

Taoism is an ancient Chinese philosophy. It was founded by Lao-Tsze (the old master). It insists on humility and feminine respectability. Veneration of female is matriarchal in character. Hence, Taoism is not at all a religion. It never aims at the most holy kingdom of GOD or the most holy kingdom of heaven.

Islam (Muhammadism) is the religion of Muslims. It was founded by Mohammed of Arabia in the 7th century A.D. In Arabic, Allah means GOD. Allah (GOD) was a common name used by Arabs, even though they worshipped so many gods. So, there were no historical accounts or evidences about Allah. Islam means submission to Allah. Muslim is a person who submits himself to Allah. Demands of Islam consist of the following five precise points. (1) Belief—in Allah and in Mohammed. (2) Prayer—the repetition of words at five separate times each day, with his face towards Mecca (Arabia). (3) Almsgiving—to support the poor and the war against infidels (those who reject Islam). (4) Fasting—during the month of Ramadan. (5) The Hajj—a journey to Mecca that all Muslims try to make at least once in their lives. These precepts of Islam will never make any man sinless and holy. Hence, by these precepts, no man can enter into the most holy kingdom of GOD or the most holy kingdom of heaven. Further, Islam is a yoke and it is inwardly hostile to freedom, and it is incapable of helping spiritual developments.

Sikhism is the religion of Sikhs. It was founded by Guru Nanak of Pakistan in the late 15th century A.D. Sikhism has been described as pantheism. A Muslim sect, the Qudiani, has been quoting that Guru Nanak was a devout and ardent Muslim. But he contended Islam. He developed Sikhism from Hinduism. So, he contended

Hinduism also. Sikhism does not consider the first Sin. Every man/woman is sinful in his/her origin or birth is because of the first Sin or Original Sin. Unless one realizes his/her first Sin, he/she cannot realize his/her other sins. Unless one confesses his/her first Sin, he/she cannot confess his/her other sins. To obtain forgiveness (remission) of sins, salvation (deliverance) from sins, holiness and holy life, everyone should realize and confess his/her first Sin and all other sins. How can a religion that does not recognize the sinfulness of man do any good at all to mankind! Hence, by following such a doctrine, no man can enter into the most holy kingdom of GOD or the most holy kingdom of heaven.

Hinduism is the religion of Hindus. It is the chief religion of India. In Hinduism, there are so many groups and so many divisions, so many gods of so many types and so many ways of worship, several beliefs and several reincarnations, several rituals and several ceremonies, several journeys to several places and several bathings in several seas or rivers or ponds, divinations, black magic, witchcraft, sorcery, idolatry, the caste system, etc. Nature-worship, ancestor-worship, fetish-worship, animal worship, reptile worship, worship of birds, weapon-worship, worship of devils or demons or evil spirits, human-worship, quasi-human-worship, various sacrifices, etc., are in Hinduism. Superstitions are filled in all quarters. Superstitious beliefs, superstitious fears and superstitious practices are innumerable. Hence, in Hinduism, there is no way to get salvation from sins, and there is no way to get holiness and holy life to enter into the most holy kingdom of GOD or the most holy kingdom of heaven.

Bahaism is the religion of Bahais. It was founded by Bahauallah of Iran in the 19th century A.D. Its chief aim is to combine all religions into one single religion. It affirms the spiritual unity of mankind and the equality of men and women and it advocates peace and universal education. But there is no spirituality in Bahaism. It excludes women from serving on its supreme governing body. It is composed of or connected with physical objects (such as universal education, community activities, etc.), rather than the mind or spirit. It is connected with the material world. It is concerned with the body rather than the mind or soul. Hence, Bahaism aims not at the most holy kingdom of GOD or the most holy kingdom of heaven.

Zoroastrianism is an ancient religion of Persian origin founded by Zoroaster, which teaches the existence of two rival gods, the good and the evil. In Zoroastrianism, there is no way to get salvation from sins and there is no way to enter into the most holy kingdom of GOD.

Judaism (the Jewish Religion) is the religion of the Jewish people or the Israelites. It is a religion in accordance with the Old Testament Scriptures of the Holy Bible and the Talmud. The Talmud is a collection of ancient writings on Jewish law and tradition. These writings constitute the basis of religious authority of Orthodox Judaism. Animal sacrifices are in Judaism. Now, it is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins.

“For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins.”

Hebrews 10:4

Therefore, our LORD JESUS CHRIST or MESSIAH or MESSIAS made the supreme sacrifice for all, paying for all our sins with HIS own blood when HE suffered and died for us on the cross (Hebrews 9:26).

“And HE is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.”

I John 2:2

Our LORD GOD, JESUS CHRIST is the new and living way by which HIS believers have direct access into heaven, the most holy place of GOD.

“Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of JESUS, By a new and living way, which HE hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, HIS flesh.”

Hebrews 10:19-20

Our LORD JESUS CHRIST's sacrifice is a once-for-all sacrifice, and it is a perfect sacrifice. HE paid for all our sins with HIS own blood (Isaiah 53:5; I Peter 2:24; I John 1:7). No one can get salvation by keeping the Old Testament Scriptures and the Talmud. Everyone must put his/her trust completely in JESUS CHRIST for salvation from sins.

“...CHRIST JESUS came into the world to save sinners; ...”

I Timothy 1:15

Judaism is a religion of the material world, since the Jewish people or the Israelites have no belief in the ONE GOD and the ONLY ONE GOD and the ONE AND ONLY TRUE GOD, the LORD AND SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST. The LORD AND SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST is MESSIAH or MESSIAS.

In Judaism, there is no hope for salvation, since salvation is found only in our LORD JESUS CHRIST or MESSIAH or MESSIAS, and the holy Doctrines of the Holy Bible alone can make the sinner wise enough to accept GOD's salvation through faith in CHRIST JESUS (II Timothy 3:15).

“Neither is there salvation in any other (other than JESUS CHRIST): for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.”

Acts 4:12

What Judaism failed to achieve, Christianity is certainly able to. Judaism could not do what it was relied upon to accomplish. What is the reason for this? Judaism was only the earthly shadow of those heavenly realities that the LORD GOD, JESUS CHRIST came to establish and bring within our reach. Christianity is CHRIST and HE is the perfect fulfilment of the Old Testament Law (St. Matthew 5:17; Romans 10:4) and HIS divine gospel gives us the very things that the Law professed to give, but much more effectively. An in-depth spiritual study of the Epistle to Hebrews will make this point clear and we are urged to be loyal to the new covenant (the New Testament) of our LORD AND SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST with its paramount privileges. Glory be to GOD!

12. CULTS AND ISMS

Cult is a system of religious worship steeped in rituals and false doctrines. They share an obsessive devotion to a person or ideal. The Chinese cult of ancestor worship, the New Age cult of reincarnation, the Hindu-Buddhist cults of demonic influences, etc., are some examples. Cults are also called sects.

Again, cult implies a system of religious worship that is not true. It also implies a religious system that denies the essential fundamental teachings of the Holy Word of GOD, the Holy Bible. The false teachings of the cults include differences of interpretation and rejection or perverting of the basic Scriptural doctrines.

All the cults are abundantly filled with heresies and false doctrines. Most of the cults are very skilled in deceiving believers who are not grounded in the Holy Word of GOD, the Holy Scriptures. How important it is to know the Holy Word of GOD, and to be absolutely grounded in the essential fundamental teachings of the Holy Word of GOD! The cults are formulating various doctrines of the devils. **The truth is what GOD says, not what man formulates.**

Our GOD's eye could see all moments—past, present and future. Our GOD's eye could see all the people—the dead, the living, and the coming generations. In the past, for the benefit of the people, GOD spoke to them through HIS prophets, the holy men of GOD. Their prophecies never came by the will of man, but by the will of GOD. They spoke as they were moved by the HOLY SPIRIT of GOD.

“For the prophecy came not in old (any) time by the will of man: but holy men of GOD spake as they were moved by the HOLY GHOST.”

II Peter 1:21

Nowadays certain church leaders are boldly making false and bizarre claims of having 'direct messages' from GOD through extra-Biblical sources. Their claims are blasphemous and deceptive. They are deceiving billions by their false prophecies. Six marks of false prophets are furnished below:

Through false signs and wonders, they lead the people astray after false gods (Deuteronomy 13:1-4). Their prophecies do not come to pass (Deuteronomy 18:20-22). They contradict GOD's Word (Isaiah 8:20). They bear bad fruit (St. Matthew 7:15-20). All worldly men speak well of them (St. Luke 6:26). They deny that JESUS CHRIST, the ONE GOD and the ONLY ONE GOD and the ONE AND ONLY TRUE GOD, has come once and for all in the flesh (I John 4:3). Anyone of these marks will identify the false prophets.

Christology is a branch of theology that is concerned with the person and character of CHRIST. Briefly, Christology is the study of CHRIST. The study of CHRIST means the study of CHRIST's teaching. The study of CHRIST means the study of Christian teaching. Christian doctrine instructs us not to live like the unbelievers. The unbelievers live in the vanity (futility) of their mind; they are darkened in their understanding; they are separated from GOD because of the

ignorance that is in them due to the blindness (hardening) of their hearts; they have lost all sensitivity, and they have given themselves over to lasciviousness (sensuality) so as to indulge in every kind of uncleanness with greediness (with a continual lust for more). See Ephesians 4:17-19.

Christianity teaches us to put off the old man, to renounce our former way of life and sins. We must be renewed in our mind to do the will of GOD. Christianity, teaches us to put on the new man, created in true righteousness and holiness. 'The old man' should be laid aside and 'the new man' should be properly worked in our daily life. The old man, lying must be replaced by truth-telling, the new man. The old man is sinful anger and it must be replaced by righteous indignation, the new man. The old man, theft must be replaced by honest work, the new man. The old man is foul language and it must be replaced by gracious speech, the new man. The old man, bitterness and wrath must be replaced by kindness and forgiveness. See Ephesians 4:20-32.

At the present time, Cults and Isms are growing more and more. They are teaching perverse things, to draw away the people after themselves. So, be on your guard!

The apostle Paul warns:

“Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, ... For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock.”

Acts 20:28-29

12.1 SPIRITISM

This is one of the worst cults that were practised from the early history of the world. This is the belief that living persons can receive messages from dead people, usually sent through a person with special evil powers, called a medium or spiritist. Spiritism is contrary to the Word of GOD and is detestable in HIS sight. No one should consult the dead on behalf of the living.

“And the soul (person) that turneth after such as have familiar spirits (turn to mediums), and after wizards, to go a whoring after them, I will even set MY face against that soul, and will cut him off from among his people.”

Leviticus 20:6

“A man also or woman that hath a familiar spirit, or that is a wizard, shall surely be put to death: ...”

Leviticus 20:27

It is the clear testimony of the Holy Scriptures, the Holy Bible, that Spiritism is the masquerading of evil spirits, particularly Satan, the devil. Spiritism is condemned by St. Paul in I Timothy 4:1-2. Spiritism denies the deity of JESUS CHRIST, and HIS virgin birth.

Mediums or spiritists are sinners. Because of our LORD GOD, JESUS CHRIST's great love and mercy, HE forgives the sins of all those who truly repent of their sins and put their trust in CHRIST for eternal life.

Wicca witchcraft is not the old religion. It is quite new. It is the modern world witchcraft. It is enticing. It is tempting. It is seductive. Our LORD JESUS CHRIST warns,

“For false Christs and false prophets shall rise, and shall shew signs and wonders, to seduce, if it were possible, even the elect.”

St. Mark 13:22

If such people entice or tempt or seduce you, do not consent.

“...If sinners entice thee, consent thou not.”

Proverbs 1:10

GOD hates the sin of witchcraft and Wicca witchcraft (the new religion) and all sin.

12.2 MORMONISM

This is one of the largest and the worst cults of the 19th century. Mormons are divided into two major groups: the Church of JESUS CHRIST of Latter-Day Saints and the Reorganized Church of JESUS CHRIST of Latter-Day Saints.

Mormons do not believe the virgin birth of JESUS CHRIST. They deny the deity of our LORD JESUS CHRIST. They deny the deity of the HOLY SPIRIT of GOD. They deny the deity of the ONE GOD and the ONLY ONE GOD and the ONE AND ONLY TRUE GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST.

Mormonism is confusing because it uses Bible Words but with different meanings. Mormons have a different Bible. Historical facts

contradict this book of Mormon. No ancient copies of transcripts or manuscripts of the book of Mormon have ever been found. The founder of Mormonism was involved in the occult. His book pertained mostly to fiscal matters.

The Holy Bible is the only Book given to mankind by the heavenly GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST. The Book of Mormon is said to contain new revelation. The Holy Bible is complete and it contains all revelations from GOD. The Holy Bible requires no new revelation from GOD. The Holy Bible is not only the complete revelation from GOD, but also it is the final revelation from GOD; and nothing should be added thereunto or taken away (Deuteronomy 4:2; Proverbs 30:6; Jude 3; Revelation 22:18-19). Hence, those who claim a new revelation from GOD, whether they be Mormons or others, stand condemned.

Mormons do not believe the Holy Bible, the Holy Scriptures. They have no belief in the Word of GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST. They claim to be Christians, but they are not. Mormons believe in another JESUS, a different spirit, and a false gospel.

“For if he that cometh preacheth another JESUS, whom we have not preached, or if ye receive another spirit, which ye have not received, or another gospel, which ye have not accepted, ye might well bear with him.”

II Corinthians 11:4

Mormons are missionary-minded. They preach another JESUS, whom the apostles of the first century Christian church did not preach; they receive a different spirit which the apostles of the first century did not receive; theirs is a different gospel which the apostles of the first century would not accept.

Mormons have no assurance of salvation. They may come to your doors with polished manners and courtesy, saying that they would like to speak to you concerning their church—the Church of JESUS CHRIST of Latter-Day Saints and this deceiving title may appeal to many. Do not receive these un-Christian sect into your houses nor greet them; for he/she who greets them shares in their evil deeds (II John 9-11).

12.3 JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

This is also one of the largest and the worst cults of the 19th century. It is known as 'The International Bible Students Association', 'The Watch Tower And Tract Society' and 'The Brooklyn Tabernacle'.

Jehovah's Witnesses have no assurance of salvation themselves. Jehovah's Witnesses have no belief in the ONE AND ONLY TRUE GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST. Jehovah's Witnesses do not believe the following Biblical truths concerning sin and retribution. The Holy Bible clearly teaches: "The soul that sinneth, it shall die" (Ezekiel 18:20). After death, the judgment (Hebrews 9:27). Punishment in hell is eternal (St. Mark 9:43; II Thessalonians 1:7-10; St. Matthew 25:41; Revelation 14:9-11). The rich man in hell-fire was certainly tormented continuously (St. Luke 16:23-26).

Jehovah's Witnesses deny the holy Trinity of GOD. They deny the deity and humanity of GOD, the LORD JESUS CHRIST. They deny the glorious redemption through the most holy blood of JESUS. They deny the open coming of our LORD JESUS CHRIST. They deny the judgment of CHRIST. They pervert the Biblical teachings about hell. They are not godly men and women. They are deceivers. They deceive the hearts of the innocent (Romans 16:18).

Jehovah's Witnesses have no church. They have no prayer. They have no knowledge about holiness or holy life. With some tracts or pamphlets, they walk about like roaring lions, seeking whom they may devour (I Peter 5:8). They walk about in two by two, in groups of one man and one woman. They may be married couples or unmarried couples or romantic couples. They spend their hours in door-to-door work to proclaim a false message. So, be sober and be vigilant about these false witnesses. Do not receive these false witnesses into your houses nor greet them; for he/she who greets them shares in their evil deeds (II John 9-11). Beware, they accept JEHOVAH as their GOD. They also say about themselves that they are called to witness for JEHOVAH.

"Ye are MY witnesses, saith the LORD, and MY servant whom I have chosen: that ye may know and believe ME, and understand that I am HE: before ME there was no GOD formed, neither shall there be after ME."

But in truth, they are witnesses against JEHOVAH, the LORD JESUS CHRIST. They deny the deity of our LORD JESUS CHRIST, the ONE GOD and the ONLY ONE GOD and the ONE AND ONLY TRUE GOD and the Almighty GOD. They do not believe the Holy Bible, the Holy Scriptures. When our LORD AND SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST was in this world, the Jews asked HIM,

“Who art THOU? (Who are YOU?) ...”

St. John 8:25

And JESUS said to them,

“Even the same that I said unto you from the beginning.”

St. John 8:25

Just what our LORD JESUS CHRIST has been saying to them from the beginning, refers to the LORD GOD who spoke unto Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Moses, etc. HE said unto Moses,

“I am the LORD: And I appeared unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, by the name of GOD Almighty, but by MY name JEHOVAH was I not known to them.”

Exodus 6:2-3

Further, the Holy Bible, the Holy Word of GOD, says,

“Behold, GOD is my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for the LORD JEHOVAH is my strength and my song; HE also is become my salvation.”

Isaiah 12:2

Hence, it is very clear that our LORD AND SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST is JEHOVAH. HE has become our salvation. If you do not believe that JESUS CHRIST is JEHOVAH, you will die in your sins. When our LORD JESUS CHRIST was in this world, HE said unto the Jews,

“Ye are from beneath; I am from above: ye are of this world; I am not of this world. I said therefore unto you, that ye shall die in your sins: for if ye believe not that I am HE (JEHOVAH), ye shall die in your sins.”

St. John 8:23-24

‘HE’ means ‘The LORD GOD’ or ‘JEHOVAH’ or ‘The Almighty GOD’.

The great GOD and our SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST is JEHOVAH (Titus 2:13; Psalm 95:3). JESUS CHRIST is the GOD (II Peter 1:1). HE is the TRUE GOD (I John 5:20). HE is the ONLY TRUE GOD

(St. John 17:3). HE is the only wise GOD (Jude 25). HE is the LORD and Saviour (II Peter 3:18). HE is Alpha and Omega, the Beginning and the End (Revelation 21:6). HE is the Alpha and Omega, the First and the Last (Revelation 22:13).

JEHOVAH is the Saviour—JESUS CHRIST is the Saviour (Isaiah 43:3; Titus 2:13). JEHOVAH is the KING of kings—JESUS CHRIST is the KING of kings (Psalm 95:3; Revelation 17:14; 19:16). JEHOVAH is the GOD of gods and the LORD of lords—JESUS CHRIST is the GOD of gods and the LORD of lords (Deuteronomy 10:17; I Timothy 6:15). JEHOVAH is the righteous Judge—JESUS CHRIST is the righteous Judge (Psalm 50:6; 96:13; II Timothy 4:1; I Peter 1:17).

JEHOVAH is the true Light—JESUS CHRIST is the true Light (Isaiah 60:19-20; St. John 1:4, 9). JEHOVAH is the Rock—JESUS CHRIST is the Rock (Deuteronomy 32:4; I Corinthians 10:4). JEHOVAH is the Redeemer—JESUS CHRIST is the Redeemer (Isaiah 48:17; Ephesians 1:7). JEHOVAH is the Good Shepherd—JESUS CHRIST is the Good Shepherd (Psalm 23:1; St. John 10:14).

JEHOVAH is the Creator of all things—JESUS CHRIST is the Creator of all things (Genesis 1:1-31; Psalm 95:5; 102:25; Isaiah 40:28; St. John 1:1-3, 10; I Corinthians 8:6). JEHOVAH is GOD the FATHER, GOD the SON and GOD the HOLY SPIRIT—JESUS CHRIST is GOD the FATHER, GOD the SON and GOD the HOLY SPIRIT (Genesis 1:1-2; Job 33:4; Isaiah 9:6; St. John 10:30; 14:9; II Corinthians 3:17-18). From the Biblical truths mentioned above, Jehovah's Witnesses can clearly understand that JEHOVAH is the LORD JESUS CHRIST and HE is the ONE AND ONLY TRUE GOD. Praise The LORD! Alleluia!

Now, Jehovah's Witnesses are a soul-destroying sect. To safeguard ourselves from the terrible effects of this soul-destroying sect, we should remember the best safeguard that worked so effectively in the midst of the early Bereans. About them it is written:

“These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the Scriptures daily, whether those things were so.”

Acts 17:11

12.4 CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

This is also one of the worst cults of the 19th century. It was founded by a married woman. This cult, even though it takes the name of Christian, it is Anti-Christian. It is one of Satan's counterfeit religions to beguile those who do not know the truth. It resembles Pantheism—the false doctrine that says GOD is everything and everything is GOD. The great distinction between 'GOD the Creator' and HIS creations are not known to Christian Scientists. The main doctrines of the Holy Bible are denied or distorted by them. They have absurd and unscriptural beliefs. No true Christian should be deceived at all by this cult.

Christian Scientists deny the virgin birth of JESUS CHRIST. They deny the deity of JESUS CHRIST. They also deny the humanity of JESUS CHRIST. They do not believe JESUS to be the ONE GOD and the ONLY ONE GOD and the ONE AND ONLY TRUE GOD and the Almighty GOD. They do not believe the Holy Bible, the Holy Scriptures. The Holy Bible, the Holy Word of GOD, says,

“...This (JESUS CHRIST) is the true GOD, and eternal life.”

I John 5:20

Christian Science is a false science. The Holy Bible, the Holy Scriptures warns us about being deceived by such false sciences. The apostle Paul warns to avoid

“...Oppositions of science falsely so-called.”

I Timothy 6:20

By professing such false sciences, people have gone astray from the faith.

“Which some professing have erred concerning the faith. ...”

I Timothy 6:21

The 'Christian Science' cult can be explained in the words of Isaiah. He says,

“...The whole head is sick, and the whole heart faint. From the sole of the foot even unto the head there is no soundness in it; but wounds, and bruises, and putrefying sores: ...”

Isaiah 1:5-6

So, be careful to stand on the Word of GOD to safeguard yourself from these worthless scientists.

12.5 UNITARIANISM

This is one of the cults of the 16th century. It is similar to Arianism. Unitarians deny the deity of JESUS CHRIST. They deny the doctrine of the Trinity, the unity of GOD the FATHER, GOD the SON, and GOD the HOLY SPIRIT in one GODHEAD. They do not believe that the LORD JESUS CHRIST is the ONE GOD and the ONLY ONE GOD and the ONE AND ONLY TRUE GOD. They do not believe the Biblical verses. When our LORD JESUS CHRIST was in this world, HE said,

“I and MY FATHER are One.”

St. John 10:30

“...He that hath seen ME hath seen the FATHER; ...”

St. John 14:9

Again, the Holy Bible, the Holy Word of GOD, says,

“Now the LORD is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the LORD is, there is liberty.”

II Corinthians 3:17

Now Unitarians are found in the evangelical and other churches.

12.6 UNIFICATION CHURCH

This is one of the worst cults of the 20th century. Sun Myung Moon, the self-proclaimed false messiah founded this cult in Korea. **Moonies** deny the deity of JESUS CHRIST. They deny the humanity of JESUS CHRIST. Its founder had many visions of Satan, the devil. So he falsely claimed that JESUS had commanded him to build the kingdom of heaven on the earth.

But, the kingdom of heaven has already been prepared for HIS people from the foundation of the world, by our heavenly FATHER, the LORD JESUS CHRIST.

“...Come, ye blessed of MY FATHER, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.”

St. Matthew 25:34

Now, antichrist is the ultimate opponent of GOD, GOD's plans, and GOD's people. Moonies are the followers of this antichrist, Moon.

Further, who are the antichrists? The Holy Bible, the Holy Word of GOD, says,

“Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come, even now are there many antichrists; whereby we know that it is the last time.”

I John 2:18

“Who is a liar but he that denieth that JESUS is the CHRIST? He is antichrist, that denieth the FATHER and the SON. Whosoever denieth the SON, the same hath not the FATHER: (but) he that acknowledgeth the SON hath the FATHER also.”

I John 2:22-23

“For many deceivers are entered into the world, who confess not that JESUS CHRIST is come in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an antichrist.”

II John 7

12.7 THE WORLDWIDE CHURCH OF GOD

This is one of the worst cults of the 20th century. This cult is a most subtle cult, founded by Herbert W. Armstrong. It is as great a danger as the Jehovah's Witnesses. Armstrongism, the modern sect was formerly known as the 'Radio Church of GOD' and now it goes under the name of the 'Worldwide Church of GOD'. (The Worldwide Church of GOD should not be mistaken with a Pentecostal group known as the Church of GOD).

Armstrongism is full of heresies. It denies the Holy Trinity of GOD. It denies the deity of JESUS CHRIST. It denies the humanity of JESUS CHRIST. It denies the doctrine of the Trinity. It condemns the exalting of the Person of CHRIST. It denies the basis of salvation. It denies the reward of the saved. It denies the glorious spiritual experience of born-again or born-from-above. The followers of Armstrong have no knowledge about this glorious spiritual experience.

Now, a born-again person is a Christian. The born-again Christian no longer lives for himself (his own selfish needs) but for HIM who died for him and rose again.

“And that HE died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto HIM which died for them, and rose again.”

II Corinthians 5:15

A person is born-again by the powerful working of the HOLY SPIRIT of GOD through the Word of GOD. A born-again person is a new creation in CHRIST. Anyone who is in CHRIST is a Christian.