

A MESSAGE OF LIFE AND HOPE**31/7/16**

Human government is powerless to prevent wars, diseases, disasters, nor are they able to care for all the earth's people. The world is divided into political and religions groups; none can properly care for their own people, nor are able to implement a lasting system of peace and hope. Most are either powerless or selfish, accepting the suffering of others, while trying to maintain their beliefs and lifestyles. None are addressing the world's problems, none are fighting for all the world's people. Thankfully, there is a far better way available.

JOH 3:17 For God sent **not** his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him **might be saved**. He offered real life and hope; equality to all... yet, the governments and religions of the day rejected his message, ignored the miracles and evidence and had him murdered to suit their own agendas. Nothing has changed and the problems of this world have no natural solution. Fortunately, the message of life and hope that Jesus delivered remains available. Of necessity, he will return soon to finish what he began.

Christ offered abundant life for all... not just the rich and powerful. JOH 10:10 The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have **it more abundantly**. The 'thief' is a simple metaphor for any other choice outside of the true Christian gospel.

No one else is capable of delivering life or hope. 1TIM 2:5 For *there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; 6,000 years of human history and the graveyards of the world, are all evidence of the lack of human ability to solve humanities greatest needs. Why is depression, anxiety and the crime rate so high, in nations where prosperity, technology and life's pleasures are in abundance?*

This is God's solution for the balance of the age we now live in. ACT 1:8 But ye shall receive **power**, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be **witnesses** unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the **uttermost part of the earth**. Christian salvation is based on the Spirit of God entering our bodies... through repentance and water baptism. This equips us with powers and abilities to promote a quality of life now, then eternal life in a different form when Christ returns. No government, educator or leading religion will even talk about current proofs and Godly powers that are available. Because they won't, God has called on his people to offer this knowledge in a world full of ignorance, hatred and fear.

Natural problems have Spiritual links... a Spiritual solution is needed. LAM 3:21 This I recall to my mind, therefore have I **hope. 22** *It is of the LORD'S mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not (God's solution).* **23** *They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness. Daily renewal is vital.*

Sins are the difference between spiritual ideals and human actions. 1JOH 1:8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us (we don't understand sin). **ROM 3:23** For **all have sinned**, and come **short of the glory of God** (falling short of God's glory in any of its aspects is what sin is all about); If we don't understand what sin is, then how can we manage it? **EZE 33:10** Therefore, O thou son of man, speak unto the house of Israel; Thus ye speak, saying, If our transgressions and our sins **be upon us**, and we **pine away** in them, how should we then live? Unless there is a clear understanding of sin and our ability to solve this issue, then we will lose hope and be no better than the governments of this world. Thus... **9** If we **confess our sins**, he is faithful and just to forgive us *our sins*, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Confirming Lam 3, above. **10** If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. Same as v8 **2:1** My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous: *The first priority is to avoid sin, the next is to confess and let God do his work of cleansing us.* **2** And he **is** (present tense) the **propitiation** (the means of forgiveness) for our sins: and not for **ours** only, but also for *the sins of the whole world*. Jesus Christ is constantly cleansing us.

Words to speak. MAT 10:19 But when they deliver you up, **take no thought** how or what ye shall **speak** (it isn't about skill, confidence or ability): for it shall be given you in that same hour what ye shall speak. We need to offer the right words at the right time as God is depending on us. People need to know what you know.

Unbelief, doubt, fear and sin, are able to be dealt with. 1COR 10:13 There hath no **temptation** taken you but such as is common to man: but God *is* faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to **escape**, that ye may be able to bear *it*. Through the Spirit.

There is a new age coming to the earth full of new hope and new life. JOH 6:40 And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on him, may have everlasting life: **and I will raise him up at the last day**. This is the message that the world desperately needs to hear... **LIFE & HOPE**.