

# *Resurrection Life of Jesus Church*

**BE BOLD FOR THE LORD!**

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## **WHAT GOD EXPECTS?**

What does God expect from born again believers?

1. Share the Gospel with those that you meet. Don't be afraid to testify about Jesus and the salvation He attained on the cross. **Acts 16:30-32**
2. What do you think God wants you to do when you come across a sick person? Jesus not only died for our sins, He also carried our diseases upon the cross. **Matthew 4:24; Mark 1:34; Luke 4:40; Acts 19:11-12**
3. Cast out demons. If we're going to be honest, this last part is a bit scary in modern society because people don't want to acknowledge the reality that demons exist and that they can inhabit a person. Nevertheless, a large portion of Jesus' ministry was dedicated to casting out demons. **Matthew 8:28-34; Mark 1:32-34, 39; Luke 8:1-3**

## **OUR RESPONSIBILITY**

Every soldier in an army has certain responsibilities and the same is true for the body of Christ. God will hold you responsible for the divine appointments He set up for you personally but failed to capitalize upon. Do you think God wants you to mindlessly watch television in a waiting room instead of striking up a conversation with the person next to you? Are you willing to be bold for the Lord? **Ezekiel 3:16-19**

Everyone in the Old Testament who refused to repent of their sins met eternal punishment at death. Jesus reiterated the same warning in the New Testament. **Daniel 12:2; Revelation 20:15**

Look at the salvation experience of Zacchaeus and the importance Jesus attached to repentance. **Luke 19:1-10**

Jesus then tells the story of a nobleman who went to a far country and left his estate to be managed by his servants. Some fulfilled the required stewardship and others did not. The nobleman was displeased with the man who wasted his time. **Luke 19:11-27**

God has given each Christian eternal life and sealed you with the Holy Spirit. Are you being a good steward of that salvation? Have you led other people to Christ or are you keeping the Gospel to yourself? Are you shy? Do you have problems speaking in front of other people? **Luke 21:12-15**

## **LIVING A HOLY LIFE**

Christians must live a holy life in order to speak with power and authority. You won't get any respect from the Devil and his demons if you're living in sin and trying to do the work of God. **Acts 19:13-17**



## **WEAKNESS OF MANKIND**

Why did God give the Garden of Eden to Adam and Eve? Why was salvation in Christ and the task of proclaiming the Gospel given to mankind?

In reading the Bible we find there was a rebellion in heaven led by Lucifer before the creation of mankind. Satan lost the war and during the subsequent trial, God was accused of being unrighteous. Adam and Eve were created to prove God's righteousness, but the Godhead (God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit) knew mankind would choose to sin and made plans for a future redeemer (God the Son, Jesus Christ) who would destroy the works of the Devil. **1 John 3:8**

God limits Himself on earth and uses mankind, not angels, to spread the Gospel; otherwise Satan could claim that salvation was being spread by force or coercion, which is how he and the demons operate. Think about it, God is proving that He is love and righteousness by using imperfections of humanity, who through their own free will, choose to respond to His love. Any human being that rejects the Gospel does so of their own free will.

## **ETERNAL PUNISHMENT**

God doesn't want any human being to die in their sins and face eternal punishment but the fact of the matter is that some people will hear the Gospel and deliberately choose to reject it. **2 Peter 3:9**

Sadly, there will be others who never heard the Gospel and they too will perish because no one ever told them about God and the work that Jesus did on the cross. It is possible that you missed a divine appointment set up by God and a particular person perished because of your selfishness. **Romans 2:12**

Every Christian will have to give an account of their life at the Judgment Seat of Christ. **2 Corinthians 5:10-11**

## **WHAT CAN YOU DO?**

What can you do with your life in Christ?

1. Begin your day with prayer. Thank Him for a new day and ask Him to use you that day and that you would be open to His leading.
2. Live a holy life. Could Jesus stand beside you and partake in whatever you are doing? If so, great! If not, make the necessary changes.
3. Ask God to fill you with His unconditional love for your family, friends, neighbors, co-workers, etc. Open your home and resources to those in need.
4. There are many ways to share the message of salvation and the hope of a new life in Christ. Some people will never read the four Gospels but you are the fifth Gospel; how are you living your life? Talk to your family, friends, neighbors and people you meet. Hand out tracts and use social media to share your testimony.
5. It also important to be joyful. How can you effectively witness to others if you are depressed or moody? Be joyful *and* bold for the Lord.

Inviting someone to a church meeting is not evangelizing but advertising. To close the sale you need to tell people about Jesus and the atonement on the cross that is available to them. Share your testimony about what the Lord has done in your life and how there is hope for them. This might result in an opportunity to lead them to the Lord and a born again experience, but if not, you have sown a seed and someone else will do the reaping. **1 Corinthians 3:6-8**

Be bold for the Lord and leave the results to Him. **2 Timothy 1:7-10**

***Remember, it's not so important how you begin your life after salvation, but how you finish it!***