

Resurrection Life of Jesus Church

WITHOUT ME, YOU CAN DO NOTHING

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PART 1: ARE YOU CONNECTED TO JESUS?

POSITIVE THINKING

People do not generally like to hear anything negative and the system of sales is set up to motivate the consumer to buy a special product that will make him happy and fulfill all his needs in a specific area without warning him of the dangers of using the product. Let me give you a couple of examples:

- ❖ For the liquor producers, it's all about fun; they don't tell their customers about the danger of liver cirrhosis or the consequences of driving impaired.
- ❖ Food corporations never warn their consumers about the risk of obesity, heart attacks, strokes and blood clots.

Regardless of the product being sold, it is always advertised in a positive way with no warning of possible side effects or the results of abuse. The only exceptions are the tobacco and drug industry which are required by law to warn their customers about side effects.

THE GOSPEL MEANS GOOD NEWS

Christians are mandated by our Saviour to share the good news of salvation for the sinner who will repent and the eternal life we will have with God after we die. Jesus did not only tell the good news, He also came with demands that most Christians don't want to hear.

- ❖ Keep His commandments. **John 14-15**
- ❖ Forgive others. **Matthew 18:21-35**
- ❖ Deny yourself. **Matthew 16:24-26**
- ❖ Love God and people. **Matthew 22:35-40**
- ❖ Abide in Jesus Christ. **John 15:1-7**

SALVATION IS A FREE GIFT

No man can work or earn eternal salvation. The penalty for sin was paid by Jesus on the cross and the only requirement is for man to believe this is true, repent and ask Jesus to become his Lord and Saviour. **John 3:16-18; Ephesians 2:8-10**

WE ARE TO WORK OUT THIS SALVATION

Every Christian has the responsibility of working out his salvation in Christ but most don't pay attention to this detail. **Philippians 2:12-16**



WHERE TO START?

Jesus said that nothing can be done without him. It is possible to work in the flesh with poor results, but if we truly want to work the works of God, it must be done through Jesus. **John 15:5**

When Jesus walked on the earth 2,000 years ago, He limited Himself in power and lived like a human being. He did not have any power in the flesh but was totally dependent upon God the Father and could only do the works that the Father was doing. **John 5:17-21**

As a Christian, you need to pray and ask Jesus what He wants you to do on a daily basis. **Luke 11:9-13**

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

Do you have an ear to hear with?