# Resurrection Life of Jesus Church

### WHAT IS THE GOSPEL?

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#### SECOND COVENANT

Jesus is the founder of the Christian Church, which is based upon the Second Covenant. **Ephesians 1:15-23** 

The Second Covenant is an agreement between God the Father and God the Son. **2 Corinthians 5:18-21** 

#### WHAT IS THE GOSPEL?

The word "gospel" means "good news." The four accounts of Jesus' life as recorded by Matthew, Mark, Luke and John are called the "Four Gospels."

The teachings of Jesus recorded by these four men – along with His death and resurrection – is considered the Gospel or Good News. **Acts 2:22-36; 1 Corinthians 1:18-27** 

#### A SUPERNATURAL MINISTRY

The Godhead consists of God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. God the Son came to the earth to inhabit a human body and pay for the sins of mankind. Luke 1:26-35

The physical body that Mary gave birth to was inhabited by God the Son and He was named Jesus, **verse 31** 

This physical body was different from other human bodies since it did not have a soul and a spirit. It was merely a body and the Son of God Himself who has always existed inhabited it. When Jesus stated that no one could take away the life from His body, He really had the power to lay it down and the power to take it up again. **John 10:17-18**; **19:28-30**; **Luke 23:46** 

Jesus does not have a birthday. He has always existed but His physical body from Mary had a birthday.

Jesus (the Son of God) never died on the cross. His physical body died, but Jesus went to Paradise, where He stayed for three days and three nights. Luke 23:39-43; 1 Peter 3:18-20

His physical body was resurrected on the third day and Jesus once again entered into the physical body. **Matthew 28:1-7** 

While hanging on the cross, the pain experienced by His physical body was transferred to Himself. This was the moment when He became the sacrificial lamb that took away the sins of the world. **Hebrews 9:22-28** 

The ministry of John the Baptist was one of repentance. Acts 19:1-4

Jesus' ministry was supernatural. Matthew 11:1-6



#### **JESUS' DUTIES FOR HIS FOLLOWERS**

Jesus had twelve apostles plus 70 other men and 39 women that followed him during the 3.5 years He ministered on earth. They were not told to build human organizations that would seek to teach humanity that Jesus was God. They were authorized to move in the supernatural, preach that Jesus is the Messiah, and that people need to be born again in order to receive eternal life. **Matthew 10:1, 7-8; Luke 9:1-2; 10:1, 17-21** 

- 1. Cast out demons (devils, evil spirits)
- 2. Heal all manner of sickness and disease
- 3. Preach that the Kingdom of God is at hand
- 4. Cleanse the lepers
- 5. Raise the dead
- 6. Don't charge for ministry work

#### THE BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Christians can only move supernaturally through the Holy Spirit. There is no power without the baptism of the Holy Spirit. **John 16:7-15** 

After His resurrection, Jesus would not allow His disciples to begin ministering until they were baptized in the Holy Spirit. **Acts 1:4-8** 

#### THE GREAT COMMISSION

Jesus clearly outlined what He wanted His followers to do. He never changed the program. They were told to go and do the same thing that they had been doing. They were to pass on their knowledge and experience to each successive generation until Jesus returned a second time. **Matthew 28:16-20; Mark 16:14-20** 

Most churches today are like hybrid plants which do not produce any kind of seed and hence cannot reproduce. They are human organizations working in the flesh that have been abandoned by the Holy Spirit. Instead of soaring like eagles, church members are like fat turkeys scrounging for crumbs on the ground.

## Are you baptized in the Holy Spirit?

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?