

The Revelation

Revelation 1:1: The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified it by his angel unto his servant John:

The Revelation is an unveiling and disclosure uncovering the mystery surrounding the glorious person and return of the Lord Jesus Christ. It was revealed verbally and in the form of a vision to the Apostle John about 96 A.D.

Who was John?

John was originally a fisherman who worked in his father's successful fishing business in Galilee. (*Mark 1:16-20*) His family worshipped Jesus. (*Matthew 20:20*) He immediately left his family and job to follow Jesus' invitation to become fishers of men. (*Matthew 4:17-22*)

Jesus nicknamed him and his brother "Boanerges" meaning "Sons of Thunder" - one who breaks out suddenly into a burst of passion with a loud voice and gleaming eye. (*Mark 3:17*).

He naturally manifested narrow-mindedness, spite and selfish ambition. (*Mark 9:38-40; Luke 9:54; Mark 10:35-37*) His supernatural mark, however, was his love for God and man. (*John 13:23; John 19:26-27; 1 John 4:7-21*) The name John implies the Lord is gracious.

John had known Jesus for over 60 years. At about 90 years old, he wrote The Revelation as Jesus' bond-servant or Master's slave while under Roman persecution for refusing to bow to Nero. All of his fellow apostles had already been martyred.

Unlike those using the Bible and the professing christian church as servants in their selfish pursuit of material wealth and the American Dream, the Holy Spirit classifies John as God's servant. Like his Lord, John had emptied himself of all in faithfulness to the Father's will.

John was isolated from the body of Christ, yet he was in intimate fellowship with the Holy Spirit of God, as he received the Revelation. He was being held in one of the evil Roman Empire's places of containment, the island of Patmos. Patmos is an Aegean Isle off the coast of Asia Minor; a large rock about 10 miles long and 6 miles wide located about 45 miles from Ephesus, Greece.

John's physical isolation from the mainstream church of his day didn't eliminate his membership within, or his service toward the body of Christ. He wasn't orphaned from the family of God because he was isolated from the organized

church. His suffering didn't sever his membership in his Lord's body. In fact, we fellowship with him today as we reap the spiritual blessings his writings bring.

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter. Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Romans 8:35-39)

There are times due to persecution and or leadership apostasy that faithful believer's may be forced to forsake the larger body of believers in their community in obedience to their Lord. The leadership of many professing biblical churches in the U.S. have apostasized to where a growing number of believer's must choose to disassociate in order to preserve their own spiritual integrity.

The biblical grounds for such divorce is taught by the apostle Paul in 1 Corinthians 5. The teaching of that chapter is summarized in verse 11:

But now I have written unto you not to keep company, if any man that is called a brother be a fornicator, or covetous, or an idolater, or a railer, or a drunkard, or an extortioner; with such an one no not to eat.

Romans 16:17-18 teaches the same principle of disassociation from professing members of the body of Christ who have become spiritually poisonous to the body of Christ.

Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them. For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple.

1 Timothy 6:5-10 teach us to withdraw fellowship from church leadership falsely teaching that obedience to the Lord promises financial gain.

Perverse disputings of men of corrupt minds, and destitute of the truth, supposing that gain is godliness: from such withdraw thyself. But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. And having food and raiment let us be therewith content. But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition. For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows. (1 Timothy 6:5-10)

Practical examples of attitudes and actions by church leadership which would justify disassociating oneself from their company would include:

- ravenously coveting material wealth
- unrepentently misrepresenting God as a demanding extortioner who'll resort

- to force against his people in order to squeeze a tithe or more out of them
- financial discontent and ungratefulness for God's current provision
- teaching tithing or obedience as a means to personal financial gain
- use of emotionally abusive, overbearing, manipulative, fear tactics
- music idolatry: failing to distinguish between sacred and secular rock music genres in worship and offending others in the body over music
- 501c3 incorporation of the body of Christ subjecting its teaching to the authority of the I.R.S. arm of secular government. Willful silence on spiritual and moral issues affected by corrupt public policy for fear of the financial repercussions resulting from 501c3 incorporation
- Embrace of the idolatrous, covetous philosophy of financial capitalism
- Media idolatry: ongoing promotion of media content or programming which conflicts with biblical commands or principles and or offends others

Why is John writing The Revelation?

Revelation 1:1 tells us that John wrote to the servants of the Lord Jesus Christ to expose them to truth concerning events that would be occurring before long according to the way that God views time.

Human nature thinks that when something is supposed to come to pass shortly, it should occur immediately, or fairly soon in their lifetime. Because of our natural tendency to be shortsighted, the Apostle Peter, known to be shortsighted by nature, cautions us not to fall into the human trap of thinking that Jesus Christ should have returned by now. His message below teaches us that because of God's eternal nature, God's view of time is different from the human view.

Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts, And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation. For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water: Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished: But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men. But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up. (2 Peter 3:3-8)

Because of our inability to understand time in light of eternity, Peter teaches us to avoid falling into a lying trap set by our human pride. This trap would like us to believe that Jesus Christ isn't returning simply because it's been over 1900 years since John wrote that "these things must shortly come to pass".

2 Peter 3:3-8 reminds us that one of the indicators that the return of the Lord is

near is a growing skepticism concerning the reality of Christ's 2nd coming emanating from prideful, self-centered, mocking, false teachers. The fact that our world is increasingly filled with skeptics should be a motivation the church to read and internalize The Revelation of her Lord.

Revelation 1:2-3: Who bare record of the word of God, and of the testimony of Jesus Christ, and of all things that he saw. Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand.

What does it mean to be blessed? How are we blessed?

The word blessed is used 7 times in the Revelation. It means happy or well off. The Revelation promises that he who reads this prophetic message, hears and understands and keeps its commandments will be well off or happy. Obviously being well off or happy in God's mind isn't related to material comforts. This promise was written to us by a man isolated in prison camp.

Jesus teaches his followers that internalizing and living out his truth results in a joyful, Christ-like life. This joy is received independent of life's circumstances because it's a by-product of fruitful conversation with the Lord Jesus Christ.

If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you. Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples. As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in my love. If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love. These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full. (John 15:7-11)

John 17:13-17 also speaks of the joy that comes as we read and obey God's Word.

And now come I to thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they might have my joy fulfilled in themselves. I have given them thy word; and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil. They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.

Focused listening to Jesus, the Master Teacher, takes the world out of us and sets us apart for God's holy purposes.

The Revelation shows us how Jesus feels and reacts toward popular cultures both in the world and in His church. Reading the Revelation provides the church with an eternal perspective on her lifetime.

John to the seven churches which are in Asia: Grace be unto you, and peace, from him which is, and which was, and which is to come; and from the seven Spirits which are before his throne; And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first

begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood, And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen. Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty. (Revelation 1: 4-8)

Who is John writing to?

John was writing to the seven churches in Asia. These churches are listed in Revelation 1:11 as follows: Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamum, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia, and Laodicea. The area they were located in corresponds to an area approximately the size of the state of South Carolina.

How does John begin The Revelation?

The Revelation begins with the greeting:

Grace be unto you, and peace, from him which is, and which was, and which is to come; and from the seven Spirits which are before his throne; And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. (Revelation 1:4-5)

According to 1 Corinthians 12:13, God's Spirit is one Spirit.

For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.

God's Spirit was manifested 7 ways in the life of the Lord Jesus Christ. According to Isaiah 11:1-2, the Spirit of the Lord rested upon Jesus Christ in the spirit of wisdom, understanding, counsel, might, knowledge and the fear of the Lord.

And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots: And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD; (Isaiah 11:1-2)

Grace and Peace

His Spirit promises two free gifts, grace and peace, to the body of the Lord Jesus Christ in Revelation 1:4.

Grace (charis) indicates a greeting of favor, goodwill and blessing upon the churches characteristic of the graciousness of God toward humanity.

Moses (Exodus 34:6), David (Psalm 86:15; 103:8; 111:4; 112:4; 116:5; 145:8), Isaiah (Isaiah 30:18), Joel (Joel 2:13), Jonah (Jonah 4:2) and Peter (1 Peter 2:3)

and Paul (Ephesians 2:1-10) all describe the Lord as being gracious or good in stooping to help the undeserving and forgive the sinner. (see also Matthew 11:25-30, 18:21-34; Luke 7:36-50; Zephaniah 3:12-20; Isaiah 57:15)

Peace (eirene) refers to an inner, personal peace resulting from a harmonious relationship with God and others. It refers to an orderly, wholeness of life possible when there is no war within us against the authority of God and His Word.

The Hebrew word Shalom meant “ a harmony of relationship or a reconciliation passed upon the completion of a transaction, the payment of a debt, the giving of satisfaction.” Judges 6:24 tells us that Gideon named an altar after this quality of God and called it Jehovah-Shalom meaning “The Lord Our Peace”.

According to Romans 8:6-8, all of us are naturally born with a sinful nature which is hostile to God and cannot please him.

God says everyone’s heart is deceitful and desperately sick (Jeremiah 17:5-10; Habakkuk 2:4; Luke 16:19-31).

He says we all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. (Romans 3:10-23)

However, Ephesians 2:11-22 and Romans 8:1-17 teach us that Christ Jesus is our peace because in dying for us he condemned sin in us, allowing us the freedom to live under the control of His Spirit in His kingdom and not under the control of our sinful nature and the power of the evil one Satan and his world system. (see also John 14:22-31; Colossians 1:13-23; Galatians 5:13-6:3; I Peter 2:24; I John 1:5-2:2; 3:1-10; 5:1-21)

Grace and peace are sorely needed to bridge the gap between individual members in the body of Christ. These gifts provide a spiritual lubricant for our emotions guarding us against potentially damaging interpersonal encounters with abrasive, immature members of the church. They allow us to accept and love those outside the comfort zone of our own age, educational, economic, denominational, eschatological, political, racial or ethnic boxes.

How is Jesus Christ described in Revelation 1:5-8?

And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen. Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty. (Revelation 1:5-8)

- the faithful witness.

Faithful means trustworthy. Witness reminds us that He's proven that his word can be trusted since he was willingly martyred in our place in order to release us from our sins.

- the first begotten of the dead.

First begotten indicates rank. He wasn't the first to rise from the dead. He has or should have first place in everything-individual lives, families, churches-all private and public life. (Colossians 1:15-19; I Corinthians 15:23).

Both church and state are ultimately accountable to Him. Since He is first in rank, to live as if He isn't is to live a lie. (Revelation 21:6-8; Romans 1:18-32)

- the prince of the kings of the earth.

He is the Highest One, the Most High of Daniel 7:27. He is first in rank and power.

And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him. (Daniel 7:27)

Revelation 15:3 says he's King of saints. He's to be feared and praised as a great King over all the earth. (Psalm 47:2,7; Psalm 95-100).

He has the ultimate control of the direction of the economies and militaries of all nations. (Proverbs 21:1; Daniel 2:20-21)

He starts and stops wars. He brings economic prosperity and disaster according to His timing and just and righteous purposes. (I Chronicles 29:10-12; Joel 3:1-2; Isaiah 10:5-19, 42:23-25, 45:5-25; Jeremiah 51; Psalm 46:8-11, 146; Proverbs 16:18)

Jeremiah described the Lord as the hope of Israel. (Jeremiah 14:8; 17:13).

Haggai says he's the desire of all nations (Haggai 2:7).

Paul says he's the hope of the church. (Titus 2:11-14)

In light of God's powerful, sovereign authority, the prophet Isaiah exhorts us to stop trusting in the secular vision of political leaders:

Cease ye from man, whose breath is in his nostrils: for wherein is he to be accounted of? (Isaiah 2:22)

Solomon wrote in agreement with Isaiah:

It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in man. It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in princes. (Psalm 118:8,9)

David concluded regarding the misplaced trust of Israel's enemies and Israel's reliance upon the Lord:

Some trust in chariots, and some in horses: but we will remember the name of the LORD our God. They are brought down and fallen: but we are risen, and stand upright. (Psalm 20:7-8)

- coming with the clouds.

Clouds are indicative of the manner in which Jesus Christ will return to earth.

Acts 1:9-11 tell us that Jesus will return to earth in a cloud in just the same way that he was suddenly and unexpectedly lifted up into heaven.

Hebrews 12:1 figuratively speaks of Christians being surrounded by so great a cloud of martyrs.

Jude 14,15 tell us:

And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints, To execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against him.

Matthew 16:27 says:

For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works.

Zechariah 14:9 says:

Behold, the day of the LORD cometh, and thy spoil shall be divided in the midst of thee. For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle; and the city shall be taken, and the houses rifled, and the women ravished; and half of the city shall go forth into captivity, and the residue of the people shall not be cut off from the city. Then shall the LORD go forth, and fight against those nations, as when he fought in the day of battle. And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west, and there shall be a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south. And ye shall flee to the valley of the mountains; for the valley of the mountains shall reach unto Azal: yea, ye shall flee, like as ye fled from before the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah: and the LORD my God shall come, and all the saints with thee. And it shall come to pass in that day, that the light shall not be clear, nor dark: But it shall be one day which shall be known to the LORD, not day, nor night: but it shall come to pass, that at evening time it shall be light. And it shall be in

that day, that living waters shall go out from Jerusalem; half of them toward the former sea, and half of them toward the hinder sea: in summer and in winter shall it be. And the LORD shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one LORD, and his name one.

Daniel 7:9-14 envisions an angelic court of thousands upon thousands pronouncing a verdict of judgment upon the Anti-Christ and his kingdom while “with the clouds of heaven One like a Son of Man was coming” ...”And to Him was given dominion, Glory and a kingdom”. Daniel 7:21-27 explains that vision to mean that Jesus Christ will return in judgment upon the Anti-Christ and his kingdom followers and give that kingdom over to the possession of the sons of God under the everlasting rule of Jesus Christ.

Paul interprets that day very clearly for us in 2 Thessalonians 1:3-10 which can be paraphrased as follows:

the Lord Jesus will be revealed from heaven with His cloud of mighty angels bringing the retribution of eternal separation from the Lord consisting of the destruction of flaming fire and brimstone for His enemies and joyous eternal, everlasting life to His friends. (cross references also @ Psalm 11:4-7, 21:8-13, 29:7-11, 46:8-11, 50, 89:5-29, 97, 104:31-35; Isaiah 2:1-4, 9:1-7, 11:1-10, 27, 30:27-33; 33-35, 42:1-13, 45:18-25, 49:1-13, 52:1-15, 59:15-21, 60-62, 63:1-6, 65:8-16, 66; Jeremiah 23: 1-8, 25:30-38, 30:1-11, 31, 46:27-28; Ezekiel 20:30-44, 28:24-26, 34:11-31, 36, 37:15-28, Joel 2:28-3:21; Amos 9 ; Obadiah 15-21; Nahum 1:2-7; Habakkuk 3; Zephaniah 1-3; Zechariah 2, 8:1-3, 10:9-12, 13, 14:9-21; Malachi 3,4; Matthew 7:13-23; 13:36-43, 25:31-46; Mark 9:43-48; Luke 3:15-17, 17:26-30; Revelation 19:11-21)

- I am the Alpha and the Omega who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Jesus Christ makes his identity clear again in Revelation 21:6-8:

And he said unto me, It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely. He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son. But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.

This is repeated in similar words in Revelation 22:13-17.

I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last. Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city. For without are dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie. I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright and morning star. And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.

As the beginning, Alpha, the first, Jesus Christ is the creator of all things and the chief cornerstone of His church. (Acts 4:8-12; Ephesians 2:20-22; 1 Peter 2:6,7)

His words and testimony that He is the Christ, the Son of the living God are the essential stone on which the integrity of His church stands. (1 Corinthians 3:11, 10:4; Matthew 7:24, 16:13-18; Acts 2:22-47, 10:36-48)

Paul wrote:

Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature: For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him: And he is before all things, and by him all things consist. And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence. For it pleased the Father that in him should all fulness dwell; And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven. (Colossians 1:15-20)

As the Omega, the end, the last, He is the closing act opposite the beginning.

Not only is Christ the end of the law so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes (Romans 10:4); He is the fulfillment of history; "That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him: (Ephesians 1:10)

As the Almighty, He is the all powerful, all sufficient God, El-Shaddai. He is the One who said to Abraham:

And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said unto him, I am the Almighty God; walk before me, and be thou perfect. And I will make my covenant between me and thee, and will multiply thee exceedingly. (Genesis 17:1,2)

He is the same Lord who says likewise to us today :

Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty. Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God. (2 Corinthians 6:14-7:1)

The Almighty is also the source of blessing (Genesis 49:25) and restful comfort and protection (Psalm 91).

Jesus says:

...I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst. (John 6:35)

I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep. (John 10:11)

I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine. (John 10:14)

Do you know Jesus Christ as your God? Is there a voice deep within your spirit assuring you that God is your Father and that you are his child? If you've been born spiritually into the family of God, there will be this inner sense of belonging to Him.

For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: (Romans 8:15-16)

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 8:15-17)

But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law, To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons. And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father. (Galatians 4:4-6)

And we know that the Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may know him that is true, and we are in him that is true, even in his Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God, and eternal life. (1 John 5:20)

These scriptures teach that we can know Jesus Christ as our God and Father. If you honestly feel that you don't know Jesus Christ personally as God, why don't you take a few minutes and read the following studies: 1 In 10 To The 17th Power Proof That Jesus Christ Is God & Messiah and The Everlasting Gospel.