

CHRISTIANITY

Inside-Out, Upside-Down, and Backwards

Jesus + Something “More” = NOTHING

RELATIONSHIP Truth	VS.	RELIGION Error/Lies
A Father Who Is Pleased		A God Who Can't Be Satisfied
<p><i>1. <u>Lordship Salvation vs. Salvation by Grace through Faith</u></i></p> <p>Acts 16:29-31 <i>Then he called for a light, ran in, and fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. ³⁰ And he brought them out and said, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?” ³¹ So they said, “<u>Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved, you and your household.</u>” (Notice, they did not say, “Make Jesus the Lord of your life, and you will be saved.)</i></p> <p>Romans 10:9-10 <i>If you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.</i></p>		<p><u>ERROR:</u> You must make Jesus the “Lord of your life” to be saved.</p>
<p><i>2. <u>Righteousness by Faith vs. Righteousness by Works</u></i> (God’s Righteousness vs. Self-righteousness)</p> <p>Romans 5:1 <i>Therefore, having been made righteous by <u>faith</u>, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.</i></p> <p>Romans 5:17 <i>For if by the one man’s offense death reigned through the one, much more those who receive abundance of grace and of <u>the gift of righteousness</u> will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ.)</i></p> <p>Romans 5:9 <i>Much more then, having now been made righteous <u>by His blood</u>, we shall be saved from wrath through Him.</i></p> <p>Romans 10:3 <i>For they being ignorant of God’s righteousness, and seeking to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted to the righteousness of God.</i></p> <p>Philippians 3:9 <i>...and be found in Him, not having my own righteousness, which is from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which is from God by faith,</i></p>		<p><u>ERROR:</u> Our righteousness is based on how we live.</p>

3. Righteous Saint vs. Unrighteous Sinner

Romans 5:19

For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so also by one Man's obedience many will be made righteous.

ERROR:
Christians are just sinners saved by grace.

4. Convicted of Righteousness vs. Convicted of Sin

John 16:8-11

*"And He, when He comes, will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment; ⁹concerning sin, because **they** do not believe in Me; ¹⁰and concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father and **you** no longer see Me; ¹¹and concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world has been judged.*

ERROR:
The Holy Spirit is constantly convicting us of sins and pointing out our weaknesses and failures.

5. Continued Salvation by Grace through Faith vs. Continued Salvation by Law through Works

Galatians 3:3

Are you so foolish? Having begun in the Spirit, are you now being made perfect by the flesh?

Philippians 1:6

*Being confident of this very thing, that **He** who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ.*

Romans 5:10

*For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, **much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life.***

ERROR:
We are saved by grace through faith, but after that it's up to us to stay saved and become increasingly more holy through not doing certain things and doing a variety of religious activities.

6. Freedom vs. Formula

Galatians 5:1

It was for freedom that Christ set us free; therefore keep standing firm and do not be subject again to a yoke of slavery.

ERROR:
Pray like this. Read the Bible like that. Go to church. Give like this. Witness like that. Your marriage and family should look like this and that.

7. In the Spirit vs. In the Flesh

Being in the Spirit is a gift from God, our constant state of being as believers, not something we earn.

Romans 8:9

*However, you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, **if** indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you, but if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Him.*

ERROR:
Christians are either in the Spirit or in the flesh, depending on their behavior.

8. Forever Forgiveness vs. Conditional Forgiveness

Colossians 2: 13-14

And you, being dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He has made alive together with Him, having forgiven you all trespasses, ¹⁴ having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross.

1 John 1:7

But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses (is cleansing) us from all sin.

Hebrews 10:11-14

And every priest stands ministering daily and offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. ¹² But this Man, after He had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down at the right hand of God, ¹³ from that time waiting till His enemies are made His footstool. ¹⁴ For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are being sanctified.

ERROR:
When we get saved only our past sins are forgiven. After salvation, we must confess each sin in order to be forgiven. A record is being kept of your sins after initial salvation and will be broadcast to all. Unconfessed sins could make someone land in hell instead of heaven.

9. No Condemnation vs. Guilt/Sin-Consciousness

Romans 8:1

Therefore there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

Hebrews 10:2, 14

Otherwise, would they not have ceased to be offered, because the worshipers, having once been cleansed, would no longer have had consciousness of sins? ¹⁴ For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are sanctified.

ERROR:
Many Christians live in a constant state of guilt and condemnation.

10. Unworthy Manner vs. Unworthy Self

1 Corinthians 11:27

Therefore whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner, shall be guilty of the body and the blood of the Lord.

ERROR:
We need to make sure we are worthy with no unconfessed sins or lack of forgiveness before taking communion.

11. Eternal Life vs. Eternal Uncertainty

1 John 5:13

These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life, and that you may continue to believe in the name of the Son of God.

ERROR:
Many Christians today are not sure they will qualify to get to heaven or they believe it is not possible to know for sure.

12. Salvation vs. Wrath

1 Thessalonians 5:9

For God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ.

ERROR:

We are saved by grace but after that we face the wrath of God if we fall short.

13. Everlasting Life vs. Everlasting Death

John 3:16

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

John 10:10

The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly.

1 John 5:11

And this is the testimony: that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son.

ERROR:

Sinners are offered everlasting life, but afterwards they discover that the Christian “life” is more akin to everlasting death.

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