

Just how great is The God that we worship? & Just what is the Gospel or Good News of Jesus Christ? Norm Womersley
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Much of our understanding or more correctly our misunderstanding is based on the traditions of men and many so called "men of God" **have been guided only by the imaginations of their own carnal hearts** rather than through the Holy Spirit Our Great God pours out on those that He calls, and who study to discern.

*2Ti 2:15 (KJV) Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, **rightly dividing the word of truth.** We all need to correctly join the dots.*

The bloody Christian Crusades against Muslims, Jews, Slavs, and pagans across Europe Turkey and to Jerusalem from 1095 to 1291. So-called Christian Conquistadors in South America, The Spanish inquisition within Europe from the 1400s to 1836. Catholic purges in France of the Huguenots, Protestant led Heresy trials of Catholics in England in the 1500s. European English and American religious hysteria leading to so called Salem witch burnings in the late 1600s. **They will repent to us or die now.**

The list goes on right up to the present with self-righteous bigots proclaiming their faith in God and demonstrating in reality what little understanding they really have.

I have relatives leading in Church of God congregations, who wont even speak to or assist their own mother, my sister because some self righteous ministerial religious twit claiming to be a true minister of God, and also professing to know the Greatness of God dis-fellowshipped her about a decade ago.

We have I think all witnessed on TV perverse religious zealots **claiming God is Great as they yell in Arabic** Allahu Akbar an Islamic phrase, which in Arabic, means "Allah (GOD) is [the] greatest". Some **Muslim extremists employ this phrase** before performing acts of terror, leading many to associate "God is Great" with violence, destruction, beheadings, bombings and other absolute perverse destruction.

Even Christ's own Disciples after being rejected in a Samaritan village on there way to Jerusalem reacted callously, this was prior to being led by Holy Spirit.
Luk 9:54 When His disciples James and John saw this, they said, "Lord, do You want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?":*55* But He turned and rebuked them, and said, "*You do not know what kind of spirit you are of;:56 for the Son of Man did not come to destroy men's lives, but to save them.*" And they went on to another village.
This is a wrong spiritual lead

That having been said by Jesus Christ: I would like us to consider 5 questions:

1. Can our Great God through His only Begotten Son really save all mankind?

1. *Isa 50:2 (NKJV) Why, when I came, was there no man? Why, when I called, was there none to answer? Is My hand shortened at all that it cannot redeem? Or have I no power to deliver? Indeed with My rebuke I dry up the sea, I make the rivers a wilderness; Their fish stink because there is no water, And die of thirst.*

Isa 59:1 (NKJV) Behold, **the LORD's hand is not shortened, That it cannot save;** Nor His ear heavy, That it cannot hear.

Job 19:25 "As for me, **I know that my Redeemer lives,** And at the last He will take His stand on the earth.:**26** "Even after my skin is destroyed, Yet from my flesh I shall see God;
Psa 49:15 (NASB) But **God will redeem my soul from the power of Sheol,** For He will receive me. Selah.

Consider Israel's rebellious wickedness, divorced by God, taken into captivity and lost.

Psa 130:7 O Israel, hope in the LORD; For with the LORD there is loving kindness, And with Him is abundant redemption.:**8** And He will redeem Israel From all his iniquities.

1Co 1:30 (NASB) But by His doing you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification, and redemption.:**31** so that, just as it is written, "LET HIM WHO BOASTS, BOAST IN THE LORD."

Tit 2:11 For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all men.:**12** instructing us to deny ungodliness and worldly desires and to live sensibly, righteously and godly in the present age.:**13** looking for the blessed hope and the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Christ Jesus.:**14** who gave Himself for us to redeem us from every lawless deed, and to purify for Himself a people for His own possession, zealous for good deeds.

Rom 5:10 For if while 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.:**11** And not only this, but we also exult in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received the reconciliation.

Rom 11:15 (NASB) For if their rejection (Speaking of Judah)is the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance be but life from the dead?

2Co 5:18 Now all these things are from God, who reconciled (conciliated) us to Himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation.:**19** namely, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and He has committed to us the word of reconciliation.:**20** Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were making an appeal through us; we beg you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.

2Co 5:21 He made Him who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

Col 1:19 For it was the Father's good pleasure for all the fullness to dwell in Him.:**20** and through Him to reconcile all things to Himself, having made peace through the blood of His cross; through Him, I say, whether things on earth or things in heaven.:**21** And although you were formerly alienated and hostile in mind, engaged in evil deeds.:**22** yet He has now reconciled you in His fleshly body through death, in order to present you before Him holy and blameless and beyond reproach—

This can seem reasonable to us because aren't we Good, the Righteous? Don't we keep the Sabbath, and The Holy days, look at our works, we are not as other men as The Pharisee declared. But such righteousness according to Paul is as of filthy rags.

Rom 4:4 (NASB) Now to the one who works, his wage is not credited as a favour, but as what is due.:**5** But to the one who does not work, but believes in Him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is credited as righteousness.:**6** just as David also speaks of the blessing on the man to whom God credits righteousness apart from works:

Rom 5:8 (NASB) But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that **while we were yet sinners**, Christ died for us

But didn't we of our own free will come to accept Jesus Christ as our Saviour?

Drags or impels

Joh 6:44 "No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me **draws him**; and I will raise him up on the last day. **:45** "It is written in the prophets, 'AND THEY SHALL ALL BE TAUGHT OF GOD.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father, comes to Me.

But didn't we of our own free will come to repentance before God?

Rom 2:4 (NASB) Or do you think lightly of the riches of His kindness and tolerance and patience, not knowing that **the kindness of God leads you to repentance?**

2Pe 3:9 (NASB) The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, **not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance.**

It really is not about goodies and baddies, righteous and wicked. **It is not about Elites.**
Them and us: It is actually about the Graciousness of God to call us now, in this age, having been given the opportunity to be part of the First Resurrection The First Harvest. His compassionate and Loving Plan for the creation of His own godly children is **not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance.**

What we might ask about sinners and the wicked?

Rom 3:9 What then? Are we better than they? Not at all; for we have already charged that both Jews and Greeks are all under sin; **:10** as it is written, "THERE IS NONE RIGHTEOUS, NOT EVEN ONE; **:11** THERE IS NONE WHO UNDERSTANDS, THERE IS NONE WHO SEEKS FOR GOD;.....

1Co 15:22 (NASB) For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ all will be made alive.

1Co 15:26 The **last enemy that will be abolished is death. :27** For HE HAS PUT ALL THINGS IN SUBJECTION UNDER HIS FEET. But when He says, "All things are put in subjection," it is evident that He is excepted who put all things in subjection to Him.

1Co 15:28 When all things are subjected to Him, then the Son Himself also will be subjected to the One who subjected all things to Him, **so that God may be all in all.**

2. Was it always God's plan to save mankind?

2. John 1:29 (NKJV) The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!"

Slain from the Foundation of the world (actually Kosmos order of the universe)

1Pe 1:18 knowing that you were not redeemed with perishable things like silver or gold from your futile way of life inherited from your forefathers; **:19** but with precious blood, as of a lamb unblemished and spotless, the blood of Christ. **:20** For He was foreknown before the foundation of the world, but has appeared in these last times for the sake of you

3. Can God actually deal with man's self will and rebellious nature?

3. Psalms 2:1 Why do the nations rage, and the peoples meditate on a vain thing? **:2** The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers plot together, against Jehovah and against His anointed, saying; **:3** Let us break their bands in two and cast away their cords from us.

Psalms 2:4 He who sits in the heavens shall laugh; Jehovah shall mock at them.

4. Is Satan's adversarial spiritual influence beyond God's control.

4. **Job 2:1 (NASB)** *Again there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan also came among them to present himself before the LORD*

5. And just how is salvation to be achieved, is it by our efforts

5. Paul to the Ephesians in **Act 20:24 (NASB)** *"But I do not consider my life of any account as dear to myself, so that I may finish my course and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify solemnly of the gospel of the grace of God."*

New Covenant: **God promises on oath** to Abram to bless all nations, which means:
Act 3:26 (NASB) *"For you first, God raised up His Servant and sent Him to bless you by turning every one of you from your wicked ways."*

Jer 31:33 *"But this is the covenant which I will make with the house of Israel after those days," declares the LORD, "I will put My law within them and on their heart I will write it; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people.³⁴ "They will not teach again, each man his neighbor and each man his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for they will all know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them," declares the LORD, "for I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin I will remember no more."*

Deu 29:13 *in order that He may establish you today as His people and that He may be your God, just as He spoke to you and as He swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.¹⁴ "Now not with you alone am I making this covenant and this oath,¹⁵ but both with those who stand here with us today in the presence of the LORD our God and with those who are not with us here today."*

How Great is the God we worship who knows the end from the beginning

Gen 1:27 *God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.*

Gen 50:20 (NASB) *"As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good in order to bring about this present result, to preserve many people alive."*

Revelation 19:6 (NKJV)

And I heard, as it were, the voice of a great multitude, as the sound of many waters and as the sound of mighty thunders, saying, "Alleluia! For the Lord God Omnipotent reigns!"

Isaiah 2:12 (NKJV)

For the day of the LORD of hosts Shall come upon everything proud and lofty, Upon everything lifted up— And it shall be brought low—

2Ch 20:6 (NASB) *Jehoshaphat and he said, "O LORD, the God of our fathers, are You not God in the heavens? And are You not ruler over all the kingdoms of the nations? Power and might are in Your hand so that no one can stand against You."*

Job 9:19 *If it is a matter of strength, indeed He is strong; And if of justice, who will appoint my day in court?*

Job 23:13 (NASB) "But He is unique and who can turn Him? And what His soul desires, that He does.

Isa 46:9 "Remember the former things long past, For I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is no one like Me;*:10* Declaring the end from the beginning, And from ancient times things which have not been done, Saying, 'My purpose will be established, And I will accomplish all My good pleasure';*:11* Calling a bird of prey from the east, The man of My purpose from a far country. Truly I have spoken; truly I will bring it to pass. I have planned it, surely I will do it.*:12* "Listen to Me, you stubborn-minded, Who are far from righteousness.*:13* "I bring near My righteousness, it is not far off; And My salvation will not delay. And I will grant salvation in Zion, And My glory for Israel.

The bible asserts: That The Father has never and will never make mistakes, have lapses or oversights of competence, or lack the capacity in any way, to achieve His Goal, because he is The only true God, Sovereign in Creation.

Nebuchadnezzar Restored

Dan 4:35 (NASB) "All the inhabitants of the earth are accounted as nothing, But He does according to His will in the host of heaven And among the inhabitants of earth; And no one can ward off His hand Or say to Him, 'What have You done?'

Act 4:26 'THE KINGS OF THE EARTH TOOK THEIR STAND, AND THE RULERS WERE GATHERED TOGETHER AGAINST THE LORD AND AGAINST HIS CHRIST.'*:27* "For truly in this city there were gathered together against Your holy servant Jesus, whom You anointed, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, along with the Gentiles and the peoples of Israel;*:28* *to do whatever Your hand and Your purpose predestined to occur.*

1Jn 4:8 The one who does not love does not know God, for God is love.

1Jn 4:16 We have come to know and have believed the love which God has for us. God is love, and the one who abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him.

Why do The Father and Jesus teach and adhere to The Law of LOVE

Why do The father God and Jesus teach and adhere to forgiveness

God and Jesus teach finding that which is lost.

God and Jesus teach the principle of Jubilee.

We cannot permanently loose our inheritance

For God is AGAPE LOVE

1Co 13:4 Love is patient, love is kind and is not jealous; love does not brag and is not arrogant;*:5* does not act unbecomingly; it does not seek its own, is not provoked, does not take into account a wrong suffered;*:6* does not rejoice in unrighteousness, but rejoices with the truth;*:7* bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.*1Co 13:8* Love never fails;

Rom 3:3 What then? If some did not believe, their unbelief will not nullify the faithfulness of God, will it? *:4* May it never be! Rather, let God be found true, though every man be found a liar,