

“JESUS AINT GONNA DO NOTHING!”

A hush fell over the startled congregation as those words stunned them. Had the Preacher lost his mind? What insane form of blasphemy and heresy was this man espousing? They stared at the man as if he had arrived in a U.F.O. and had four heads.

Onward went the preacher with greater and greater passion. “You can not pray, beg, con, manipulate, wish, dare or believe Jesus into doing anything”, claimed the obviously deranged speaker.

A collective gasp of shock fell over the crowd as anger and derision welled up in their hearts. How they longed to throw eggs, shoes, vegetables and rocks at this man who kicked their sacred cows. The preacher dared to contradict the theology that they had received and believed since childhood. Some could take no more and rose to leave.

The bold preacher halted them. “Leave if you wish”, he said. “But before you go, look at me and raise your hands, if you believe the Word of God!” Each of those who were leaving and the entire audience raised their hands. “Then” said the preacher, “be good enough to remain and hear what the Word of God says about this.”

Everyone returned to, their seats. “Now” they thought, “let us hear this man defend his insane teaching”. They paid intense attention.

The Preacher looked intently into the eyes of the assembled. “I remind you now, and will again, that you have declared that you believe the Words of the Gospel of Jesus and of God the Father and those inspired by the Holy Spirit.”

The crowd again became indignant at the implication that their belief was even questionable. Their thinking went along these lines: “We go to church weekly, we do good works, we strive for righteousness, we serve others. How dare this man challenge our belief in the Word?”

“When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, He said: **It is finished.** “ (John 19:30)

“ Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith who for the joy that was set before Him, endured the cross, despising the shame, is SET DOWN at the right hand of the throne of God.” (Hebrews 12:2)

“Jesus”, reported the fired up Preacher, “said it is finished then, He sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on High.”

On rolled the messenger:

“ According as His divine power hath (past tense) given us ALL THINGS that pertain to life and Godliness through the knowledge of Him that hath called us to glory and virtue” (2Peter 1:3)

“God”, proclaimed the Preacher; “HATH ALREADY GIVEN US ALL THINGS THAT PERTAIN TO LIFE AND GODLINESS! What then has Jesus not done?”

“Not only so”, said the Preacher, “Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus, who hath (past tense) blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Jesus: According as He hath chosen us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love. To the praise and glory of His grace, wherein He hath made us acceptable in the beloved.” (Ephesians 1:3-6)

“ Jesus has blessed us with all Spiritual blessings and made us holy and blameless in His sight;” declared the messenger.

“ These are the fruits of the Spirit given us by Jesus from the 5th chapter of the letter to the churches of Galatia: Love, Joy, Gladness, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness and Faith. These are the Spiritual blessings which He hath given us”, reported the Preacher.

Then the man gave an explanation of Isaiah 53:4. “ Surely (not maybe) He hath (past tense) borne our grief (from the Hebrew word; choily, meaning: illness, malady, anxiety, calamity, diseases, sickness, infirmity) and He has carried our sorrows (from the Hebrew word; makobah, meaning anguish, affliction, grief, pain and sorrow).”

“If” asked the Preacher, “Jesus already bore our diseases and calamity and mental disorders and anything that brings us sorrow; why would we ask Him to heal us? Isn’t that asking Him to do something that He has already done? And where did we ever get the silly notion that God heals some and not others? When clearly Jesus bore all of our disease’s.”

The folks began to think.

Now the speaker painted a mosaic of Gospel Scriptures that the congregants appeared to have never heard, much less received into their spirits. Here are the verses he painted followed by his comments:

“ For you are becoming progressively acquainted with and recognizing more strongly and clearly the grace of our Lord Jesus (His kindness, His gracious generosity, His undeserved favor and spiritual blessing) in that though He was so very rich, yet for your sakes He became so very poor, in order that you might become enriched (abundantly supplied).”
(2Corinthians 8:9) comment: “Jesus made us financially wealthy”.

“ But as many as received Him, to them gave He the power to become the sons of God.” (John 1:12) comment: “Jesus made us sons of God.”

“Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ: By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand and rejoice in the hope of the glory of God.” (Romans 5:1&2) comment: “Our relationship with God is that we have been found not guilty through faith, and through faith we enter into the state of grace (God’s willingness ability and power which has done for us what we can not or will not do for ourselves.)

Then, all of a sudden like a car slamming on the brakes and coming to an immediate stop, the Preacher said to the congregation: “ You have had enough meat for one week. But there is much more I have to share with you. If you want to see the rest of the picture you will have to come back next week.”

As the preacher dismissed the service, He challenged the congregants to ask what Jesus did not accomplish on the cross. Then he said those shocking words again: "JESUS AINT GONNA DO NOTHING".

Stayed tuned! We will bring you part two soon.

Is the Preacher crazy? Is the Preacher possessed? Is the Preacher correct?

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