

The Mobile Jesus Story And The Christian World View

This is the true story as it was recorded at God's instruction by early man and carefully passed down through the centuries.

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. He also created the plants and animals, and finally he created man. At that time man was created to not know the difference between good and evil, and to not know death. God was present and had a different and more direct relationship with man.

To the first man and woman, God also created a simple rule that God warned, if broken, would cause them to die- and so God gave man the ability to choose. Man was tempted and curious, and eventually broke the rule. This act caused man to first learn the difference between good and evil, and evil entered the world. This is also when man first learned distrust and disobedience. The death God spoke of occurred when God explained that man would not be allowed to live forever in this new condition.

Over subsequent generations the wickedness of man increased. The first murder occurred in the second generation. In time the world became so filled with violence that at one point God selectively pruned the more corrupt parts of the world by destroying all life in a world wide flood. Those that God spared became the progenitors of the people now living today. God selected a single person to be the father of a "model people"- the descendants of which became of the nation of Israel. God maintained a close relationship with this people over numerous generations in which he protected them both openly and miraculously. He dwelt among them, gave them special laws, administered justice, and established them as a lasting people.

A king was selected to lead the people, but the first king was a flawed man. Subsequent kings were unreliable and varied from good to evil. God prepared the people for a special king that would be the messenger of a new and everlasting arrangement between God and man- in which God said he would put his law in their minds and write it on their hearts; he would be their God, and they would be his people. No longer would a man teach his neighbor, or a man his brother, saying, 'Know the Lord,' because they would all know him, from the least of them to the greatest. He said he would forgive their wickedness and would remember their sins no more.

The orthodox religious community had been waiting for many centuries for the arrival of the new king that was to be sent from God, when a male child was born in Bethlehem. The name given is pronounced "Yeshua", and in English he is now called "Jesus". A new star appeared in the sky and moved to rest over the place where the child lay for a period of time, and it drew people to him. Later when he had grown to be a man he began speaking of things the world had not heard.

He said that sinners should repent- saying the kingdom of God is near. Everyone is called to turn away from the work of their hands- the worship of demons, and idols of gold, silver, bronze, stone and wood - as well as murder, magic arts, sexual immorality, and thefts. He also warned of the condemnation the cowardly, the unbelieving, the vile, and all liars - saying their place will be in the fiery lake of burning sulfur. This is the second death.

He also said that to do these things in your heart is equivalent to doing them in the flesh—saying that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart, and that anyone who hates his brother is a murderer— and you know that no murderer has eternal life in him.

He said that no one can see the kingdom of God unless he is “born again”. He explained that Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. As we have already been born once of a fleshly body, we must still be separately born of spirit.

He said that no one has ever gone into heaven except the one who came from heaven—the Son of Man (a title that he applied to himself). He went on to say that he needed to be “lifted up” (a frequent reference to his death) in such a way so as that everyone who believed in him may have eternal life.

He gave one command above all others, which was that we love each other as he had loved us— saying that no one has greater love than the one who would lay down his life for his friends, and that we are his friends if we do what he commanded. He also said if we (as individuals) forgive men when they sin against us, then our heavenly Father will also forgive us; but, if we do not forgive men their sins, our Father will not forgive our sins. The measure we use with others is the measure God will use with us, so we should love one another. He said that God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him will not perish but have eternal life; that person has crossed over from death to life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because he has not believed in the name of God’s one and only Son.

This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but men loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil. Everyone who does evil hates the light, and will not come into the light for fear that his deeds will be exposed. But whoever lives by the truth comes into the light, so that it may be seen plainly that what he has done has been done through God. A time is coming when all who are in their graves will hear his voice and come out—those who have done good will rise to live, and those who have done evil will rise to be condemned.

Many have asked the question, “What must we do to do the works God requires to inherit eternal life?”, and Jesus replied simply, “**The work of God is this: to believe in the one he has sent.**”; for which he also performed miraculous signs. The blind were given sight, the lame were made to walk, those who were diseased were cured, the deaf were made to hear, and the dead were raised— all of which were done in the full sight of many. He explained that when a man believes, he does not believe in the one God has sent only, but also in the one who sent him. To those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become “children of God”.

He said, “**If you love me, you will obey what I command. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever— the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Before long, the**

world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. Whoever has my commands and obeys them, he is the one who loves me. He who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love him and show myself to him.”

“If anyone loves me, he will obey my teaching. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. He who does not love me will not obey my teaching. These words you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me”

“All this I have spoken while still with you. But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

“You heard me say, ‘I am going away and I am coming back to you.’ If you loved me, you would be glad that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. I have told you now before it happens, so that when it does happen you will believe. I will not speak with you much longer, for the prince of this world is coming. He has no hold on me, but the world must learn that I love the Father and that I do exactly what my Father has commanded me.”

Shortly thereafter Jesus was executed through crucifixion by the religious and secular states as a dissident, although no crime could be found against him. On the third day after his death and after he had been laid to rest in a tomb he was returned back to life. God had given him the authority to lay down his life and to take it back up again to firmly establish the validity of his testimony to the world. He stayed for a time and continued to teach. He was then later seen to ascend into heaven, saying that he would someday return in the last days in the same way he departed.

Those who witnessed these events were charged with spreading the good news, and thereby established Christianity as a religion. Many did so at the cost of their lives. The religion quickly grew into the most consequential religion on earth, as it remains to this day. We were warned, however, that in the last days there will be a great falling away of the Church as the love of many would grow cold, but those who stand firm until the end will be saved. Conclusion: The Good News

God has spoken to us through his son, Jesus. 1 If you believe Jesus, then you believe God who sent him. 2 Whoever believes in him is not condemned, 3 and has eternal life. 4 Whoever does not believe stands condemned already 5 and God’s wrath remains on him. 6 Jesus commands sinners to repent and turn from evil, 7 and for us to forgive others, 8 to love others, 9 and to believe God. 10 Those who have his commands and obey them will be loved by God, and Jesus will love him and show himself to him. 11 To those who believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, 12 and also to those who obey God 13 through him, 14 and to those who ask God, 15 Jesus baptizes with the Holy Spirit 16 which comes from God. 17 That person is born again– born of the Spirit. 18 The Holy Spirit is a deposit and a seal which guarantees our inheritance which is to come 19 until the redemption of those who are God’s possession. 20 The Holy Spirit will then guide you into all truth, 21 will teach you all things, and will remind you of everything that Jesus has said to you. 22 When you sin, you will be reminded to repent and to turn away from all of the sins you have committed– to do what is just and right. 23 The Sovereign Lord declared 24 that for repentance you will be forgiven. Because of the righteous things you have done, you will

live. 25 You heard Jesus call you to repent, 26 you believed, and were forgiven. This is now your righteousness, 27 which came from Jesus, and will save you from the wrath that is to come upon the wicked who remain unrepentant. 28 When your brother sins against you and repents, you will be reminded to forgive him. 29 When you forgive him, he will be forgiven by God. 30 In this case, forgiveness for yourself has already been purchased 31 by the covenant Jesus made for you in his blood. 32 This new covenant places God's laws in your heart, writes them on your mind, and your sins and lawless acts God will remember no more. 33 You will be reminded to love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength, 34 and to love your neighbor as yourself 35– there is no command greater than these. 36 Love for God is defined to be obeying his commands. 37 Love for your neighbor is defined this way: When your neighbor was hungry, you gave him something to eat. When thirsty, you gave him something to drink. As a stranger, you invited him in. When in need of clothes, you clothed him. When sick, you looked after him. When in prison, you came and visited him. 38 Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of Jesus, you did for him. 39 When Jesus returns in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his throne in heavenly glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another. 40 The righteous 41, which are those who are right by these standards of God, will be given an inheritance– the kingdom prepared for them since the creation of the world, 42 and they will go on to eternal life. 43 Jesus says, “**All men will hate you because of me, but he who stands firm to the end will be saved** 44”. And this good news (or gospel) of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come. 45

The Holy Bible (NIV) contains the eyewitness accounts of those who witnessed Jesus and who were directed by the Holy Spirit, and is the source of all of this information. The references provided are as follows:

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