

## **TWO TRUTHS EVERYONE SHOULD KNOW**

### **John 3:18-21**

**Introduction:** It has been said that "truth hurts" and a lot of people had rather not know the truth about certain things or people. People have been known to cover up the truth, change the truth, ignore the truth, deny the truth, misrepresent the truth but nevertheless truth is truth and nothing or anybody can change it. According to God there are two truths that every human being should know about and God has left it up to His Church to tell the world what these two truths are.

### **I. EVERY HUMAN BEING IS BORN SEPARATED FROM GOD, ALREADY CONDEMNED**

1. Every human being is born with a human nature which is prone to sin (disobey God), and is adapted to live in this world, and has what is called the "old sin nature."
2. Every human being is therefore born alienated from God, separated from God because of the sinful nature which causes God to have to withdraw because God is perfect and cannot tolerate sin of any kind of any degree, by any person.
3. Every human being is born already condemned by God to an eternity of separation from Him and of degrees of punishment, depending upon how sinful a person is during his/her lifetime.
4. Every human being is also condemned who rejects the "light," the "one" who came to show the way out of condemnation and separation from God, God's Son, Jesus.
  - Jesus shows people the way God wants them to live.
  - Jesus shows people what the real "truth" is.
  - Jesus shows people how to save their lives and avoid going into eternity separated from God.
5. Every human being is condemned who prefers not to see the truth.
  - People do not want to make changes and prefer to live as they always have.
  - People are full of pride and don't want to admit errors or sin.
  - People are actually born enslaved to sin and have no idea how to get out of it if they wanted to.
  - People don't like to be embarrassed and therefore, even knowing of their sins, refuse to come to Jesus.
6. Those who refuse to come to Jesus in belief remain condemned.
  - People reject, ignore, deny, fight and speak out, ridicule, persecute and seek to stamp Jesus out.
  - Human beings don't want to be around or hear about Jesus.
7. The truth is, every human being is born condemned, separated from God and will spend eternity in Hell - UNLESS.....

## **II. JESUS CHRIST IS THE ONLY WAY TO ESCAPE CONDEMNATION**

1. No human being is automatically spared condemnation and separation from God.
2. Those who refuse to believe in God's Son remain condemned.
3. Believing in Jesus Christ changes things:
  - Those who believe in Jesus are acquitted as though they had never sinned.
  - They are released from captivity to sin.
  - They will never be captivated again by guilt, fear, bondage or shame.
  - They will not be condemned again.
  - They will not be dealt with for their sins on Judgment Day.
4. The believe is saved, although still guilty as anybody else.
  - However, the believer is released from being condemned because of his/her belief in Jesus.
5. Believers in Jesus try to live truthfully and faithfully with Jesus as their example.
6. Believers study the Word of God and obey what God reveals to them through His Word.
7. Believers are permanently indwelt by God's Holy Spirit, sealing them throughout their lives.
8. Nothing a human being can do, say or think will take the place of Jesus as a means of escaping being condemned.
9. Only those who really want to know the truth can be saved and every person who comes sincerely to Jesus IS saved.

### **CONCLUSION:**

1. There are countless things a person needs to know, but there are two truths that are essential to a person's life here on earth that affect his/her eternal destination.
2. No matter what one thinks, if he/she even thinks about it, every human being is born already alienated and separated from God and is already condemned by God because every human being is born with a sinful nature which God cannot be around.
3. No matter what one tries to do to remedy one's separation from God, there is absolutely nothing that he/she can do to bring one back into God's grace, back into fellowship with God, back to where he/she needs to be with God and to give to him/her eternal life in Heaven.
4. Jesus Christ is the only means of being restored to God, having condemnation lifted, sins taken care of, and being given eternal life in Heaven with God.
5. Christian, it is YOUR duty, it is OUR duty to get these two truths out to the rest of the world.
  - Every human being needs to know.

