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Introduction

The original <u>MERE CHRISTIANITY</u> by C.S. Lewis began as a series of radio broadcasts during The Siege of London during WWII.

Without comparing itself to this monumental work, except to benefit shamelessly by obvious name-dropping, this brief article brings a fresh voice into the discussion, while acknowledging other fresh voices of this generation. None of these living persons were contacted in regards to this VIXRA article. Please do not assume that I speak for them nor that they speak for me.

MERE(LY) CHRISTIANITY

- 1. There is no "PLAN OF SALVATION", but there is the SAVIOR OF MANKIND.
- 2. There is the DIVINE LAW which governs the KINGDOM/SOVEREIGNTY OF HEAVEN. The MORTAL REALM is under the jurisdiction of this DIVINE LAW.
- 3. The Old Testament account of Joseph, son of Jacob & Rachel, demonstrates the application of the jurisdiction of DIVINE LAW in the MORTAL REALM. Joseph embodied "DUALITY & SUPERPOSITION." While a slave & a slave-prisoner, Joseph was strategically positioned as PRIME MINISTER IN WAITING.
 - (Bishop T.D. Jakes interprets the Old Testament account of Joseph in a similar manner. In fact, he precedes this author by a few decades.)
- 4. CONFESSION DETERMINES PROFESSION.
- 5. RIGHTEOUSNESS-THINKING (E.W. Kenyon, Kenneth Hagin, Sr. & Kenneth Copeland are earlier authors. Also, see Kay Arthur & Rev. G.E. Patterson.)

- 6. There is a great difference between FREEDOM FROM SIN & LICENSE TO SIN.
 - (DR. Antony "Tony" Evans of Dallas, TX is the principal author. Also, see Kay Arthur.)
- 7. The Physical Reality can be compared to the "HOLODECK" in the popular science-fiction vehicle of STAR TREK. As each moment of "REALITY" in the Holodeck must be created, GOD creates each moment of the PHYSICAL REALITY. Author Andrey Smirnov in VIXRA 1808.0600, proposes "EMERGENT SPACETIME AND MATTER."
 - "GOD creates all things <u>NEW."</u>
 - (The Apostle John & the Apostle Paul are the principal authors).
- 8. The Apostle Paul envisioned a professional "standing army", not a citizen militia. He envisioned soldiers who are drilled in the modified phalanx in the tactics of the ancient Imperial Roman Army. He envisioned soldiers who reported for duty in full battle dress. Most of all, he envisioned fully-persuaded volunteers in an ARMY-OF-ONE.
- 9. Through Jesus & His Crucifixion, GOD imparts or confers <u>right-standing</u> upon the individual person, on the basis of that person's decision to obey the Divine Law. Theologians say that the Work of the Cross is a "finished" work.
 - Jesus did not create a new religion. The Work of the Cross revealed the inadequacy of religion, especially CHURCHIANITY.

 The Old Testament alluded to the fact. The Isaiah Fast (Isaiah 58:3-12) is not a ritual for an interim, but a lifestyle for the duration. Micah 6:8: "He has shown you...what is required from Deity & Divinity: 1. To do/act justly, 2. To love mercy & 3. To walk humbly before Heaven."
- 10. There is a big difference (no comparison) between CHURCH PLANTING/THE PLAN OF SALVATION MESSAGE & the original message of the Apostle Paul, who instructed everyone to obey the Divine Law.
- 11. The "DIFFICULT-TO-INTERPRET "teachings of Jesus & the Apostle Paul are placed in the <u>endless loop</u> of "needs more study." 2000 years have passed. When can we begin this study?
- 12.Beware the Leaven of the Pharisees, the Sadducees, the Herodians, the Aristotelians & Pythagoreans, the Essenes & the Pseudepigraphal Authors.
- 13.KEEP THE FAITH. Your Guardian Angel beholds the Face of GOD. Justice delayed is <u>not</u> Justice denied, but Justice compounded with interest. GOD has never left His throne.

A Joke follows:

A burglar knew that the residents had left for vacation. While he was filling his sack, he heard a voice behind him say, "Jesus is watching." He turned around & saw nothing but a parrot watching him. He returned to filling his sack, when he heard again, "Jesus is watching." He turned around & saw the parrot watching him. He asked the parrot, "Are you Jesus?" The parrot answered, "No, I am Isaiah. The name of the Pit Bull is Jesus."

14.Jesus's role & function as Jesus of Nazareth was to "become" the Second Adam & to "restore" the fellowship & covenant which was "broken" by the First Adam. Also, it was not coincidence that Jesus of Nazareth was crucified on the Jewish religious holiday in which each household ate a covenant meal of the Passover lamb. John The Baptist identified Jesus of Nazareth as "The Lamb who is sacrificed for the sins of the world."

Adam fell from Grace. By choosing intuitively to obey the Divine Law, we "fall into" Grace.

This is the basic "New" Covenant which the Apostle Paul taught. It is automatically available to everyone. An individual is <u>not</u> required to "do" anything but to choose intuitively to obey the Divine Law. The "New Covenant" is a depth that cannot be plumbed. The "New Covenant" cannot be exhausted. If an individual wants to experience a deeper fellowship, then Jesus must be acknowledged. Jesus <u>is</u> the New Covenant.

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