

JESUS IS ALL I NEED

7/12/26 MMT.

TEXT: 2 Cor. 3:1-5

Intro: In the passage we have read this morning, the great Apostle Paul tells us all about what we need. In defending his apostleship to the Corinthian believers, Paul tells them, "I do not have to defend myself, Jesus is all I need!" I want to remind the Church and every person who is in this building this morning that Jesus is all we need!

When you are without Jesus, then you are in serious trouble! You can do nothing in and of yourself. **Without Jesus you are nothing, John 15:5. Yet, with Him, you can do all that He would have you to do, Phil. 4:13.** Allow me for these few minutes that we have together to share with you some areas of life where Jesus is all we need.

I. JESUS IS ALL WE NEED FOR SALVATION

Acts 4:12 Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

A. THE PRICE HE PAID - There would be no salvation today if it were not for Calvary. (Ill. Isa 52:14; Isa. 50:6 - Ill. Calvary!)

The greatest demonstration of the awesome love of God for you is the image of Jesus hanging on the cross dying in your place - Rom. 5:8.

A. THE PRICE HE PAID

B. THE PROMISES HE MADE - In regard to salvation, Jesus made several precious promises. Among them are these:

1. Anyone Can Be Saved - **John 3:16;**
2. Any Sin Can Be Forgiven - **Col. 2:13-14 And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses;14 Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross;)**
3. All Who Believe Receive Eternal Life - The life that Jesus gives is not just good for a short time, but it is good for all eternity! Jesus Himself said in **John 10:28-29** that those who came to Him received “eternal life” and that they would “never perish!” You simply cannot improve upon that!
4. All Who Believe Are Promised Deliverance From Hell - **Rom. 5:9 tells us that through Jesus, we are saved from the wrath of God.** The child of God will never enter the gates of that awful place of the damned and the doomed. That in itself is enough to shout about!

5. All Who Believe Are Promised An Eternity In Heaven - **John 14:1-3** -

A. THE PRICE HE PAID

B. THE PROMISES HE MADE

C. THE PLAN HE LAID - **Rom. 10:13.**

Eph. 2:8-9.

I. JESUS IS ALL WE NEED FOR SALVATION

II. JESUS IS ALL WE NEED IN SOCIETY

Psalm 33:12 Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD; and the people whom he hath chosen for his own inheritance.

A. WE NEED HIS BOOK - What America needs today, as well as the rest of the world, is to return to the blessed old Book. The Bible would do more to change society every program the government can start. Our trouble began when man decided that he knew more than the Lord and threw out the Bible as the standard for daily life. In other words, man lives by a set of moral standards that he creates and recreates to fit every occasion. No wonder we are in such a mess today! I want you to know that God's Word is still the only true and righteous standard for holy living! If men were to return to living by this blessed old Book, then we would see our society turn from this path of destruction which it seems determined to carry out.

A. WE NEED HIS BOOK

B. WE NEED HIS BLOOD

1 Pet. 1:18-19 Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; **19 But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:** When this takes place, that blood washes the sinner whiter than snow, **Isa. 1:18 2 Cor. 5:17,**

(III.) Every murderer, every thief, every rapist, every racist, every pedophile, every molester, every drunk, every harlot, every drug addict, every drug user, every foul mouthed sinner, every sin stained young man and young lady can forever be changed by placing their faith in the shed blood of the Lord Jesus Christ. Nothing would turn America around quicker than for every sinner to get saved! This would save our homes, our schools and our society! We do not need a new Federal program. We do not need a new 12 step program. We do not need AA or NA. We do not need a national dialogue on violence. We do not need more religion. We do not need a bunch of reprobates leading our children in wrong praying in our schools. JESUS IS ALL WE NEED

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C. WE NEED HIS BLESSINGS By His blessings, I do not mean material blessings like money and things. What I am referring to is a great move of God. What America needs is an old-fashioned, soul-stirring, heart-changing, God-honoring, Christ -exalting, Spirit-obeying, Hell-defying, sin-killing, church-cleansing, devil-stomping, God sent revival!

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III. JESUS IS ALL WE NEED FOR SATISFACTION

A. HE SATISFIES ON EARTH - When Jesus met the woman at the well He told her that He was able to satisfy the deepest thirst of her soul and that she would never feel thirsty again, **John 4:13-14**. Every child of God could say "Amen!" to that statement! Jesus satisfies. I have never seen a Christian, who was abiding in Jesus, every feel that he/she lacked any good thing. I never met a Christian, who was abiding in Christ, who longed for the things of this old world.

(III. Sadly. Many Christians are just like the Israelites. Even though they have been delivered from the bondage of Egypt (sin) they still long for the leek and onions (pleasures) of the old life, **Num. 11:5-6**. And, like the Israelites, they are doomed to defeat, discouragement and failure in their Christian walk, I challenge you to forget about the land of Egypt, to put your eyes on Jesus alone and learn to drink from Him and to be satisfied with what Jesus can do for you!)

A. HE SATISFIES ON EARTH -

B. HE SATISFIES IN ETERNITY - When you leave this world, there are only 2 possible destinations for the human soul. You will either go to Heaven or you will go to Hell. Which depends upon what you do with Jesus and the plan of salvation He offers. If you go to Hell, you will never be satisfied, but will spend eternity enduring the flames and terrors of Hell apart from God.

Conc: Do you know Him? Do you have Him in your heart and life? You may think that you need more money, better health, more friends, more things, etc. But all you really need is Jesus. Why not come before Him right now and receive Him into your life? Why not come and renew that old walk with Him that has been missing.