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I. THE LORD JESUS CHRIST

- A. LORD** – This is a title that refers to His deity, lordship, authority and power.

Rom. 14:9

1. Jesus' death had a goal, as well as His resurrection and ascension.
2. Jesus was to be made LORD, both of the dead and the living.
3. To deny, avoid, reject, put off, or otherwise not submit to Jesus' Lordship is to deny in practice your confidence, benefit, or relationship to the work of Jesus, as well as His person and purpose.

I Cor. 12:3

1. The Holy Ghost does the work in our heart that not only produces the new birth, but

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also brings the confession of the Lord Jesus.
(**Rom. 10:9a**).

2. Jesus is more than a potential Lord.
Jesus is more than a Lord.
Jesus is **THE LORD**.
3. Jesus will not share the throne with self or any other master. It is all or nothing.

Matt. 26:21-25

1. Judas' first exposure as a traitor was his inability to call Jesus, Lord.
2. Master is close, but close will not do.
3. Jesus stated (**vs. 25**) that Judas had claimed the position of betrayer by what he said!
4. The issue of the Lordship of Christ is a test of Christ's work applied to us (**Rom. 14**), the work of the Holy Ghost in us (**I Cor. 12**), and the reality of our relationship to Him (**Matt. 25**).

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Matt. 7:21-23

1. Many will call Jesus "Lord" when they have never entered into a vital relationship with Him.
2. These do many wonderful things without ever being truly saved.
3. These would seem to be the same many as are on the broad way (**vss. 13 and 14**).
4. The end of such is to be lost forever.
5. There is a difference between calling Jesus "Lord" as an empty formal title and knowing such with a submissive heart.

Isa. 43:11

1. Jesus alone has the right to be Lord.
2. Apart from His Lordship, there can be **no** salvation. There is no Saviour apart from being Lord also.

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Isa. 33:22

1. A simple and practical definition of Lordship is here presented within the concept of being saved.
2. This is not to be separated into “a separate and after salvation experience” – (called different names by different groups, – saved and sanctified; first and second works of grace; entering the deeper life; salvation and discipleship; saved and dedicated, etc.)
3. Lordship can be broken into three areas:

Judge or Judicial – He decides what is right and wrong. He judges our lives by His Word. He judges our past, present, and will one day judge us at the Judgment Seat of Christ.

Lawgiver or Legislative – He makes the laws by which we must live. We are to meditate in them day and night (**Psm. 1 and 2**), and

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know them so well in our lives that we can teach others to ***“observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you”*** (Matt. 28:20).

King or Executive – He rules, enforcing the laws and protecting His followers. His is a Kingdom, and we are to be faithful and loyal citizens.

4. The three branches of Lordship cover the whole area of government. Literally, Jesus becomes our government – a loving but fully empowered dictator. We love Him and serve Him while He provides for us now and in the future.

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B. JESUS – This is His NAME. It means Saviour, Deliverer, and is similar to the name “Joshua” of the Old Testament. This name has power, is disliked by Satan, is a channel for prayers, and is of great value to the believer (worthwhile to risk our life for it).

Matt. 1:21

1. This name was chosen by God and given to Joseph through the message of an angel.
2. This name had particular meaning and revealed this purpose in coming to earth – to save.
3. He was coming to save a particular people (His people).
4. He would save the people from their sins. His name emphasizes more than a positional relationship. He is a Saviour that SAVES.

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John 14:13-15

1. Jesus' name is to be used in prayer.
2. Use of His name (Jesus) results in His producing answers (**John 16:24**).

Consider also Acts 16:18; Matt. 18:20; I Cor. 5:4; Acts 15:26, etc.

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C. CHRIST – This is a title that refers to Jesus' office as Messiah, the Promised One, and/or the Anointed One.

Matt. 24: 4, 5

1. The term or title of Christ will be claimed by many in the Last Days.
2. The claim of being an anointed minister, or promised one, or messiah to lead people to peace and prosperity, or combination of these will be self-proclaimed.
3. Many will be deceived by these claims and follow such leaders (false Christs **vs. 24**).

John 1:20, 25

1. Both John the Baptist and the Jewish leaders understood the meaning of the title, "Christ".
2. John stated that he was preparing the way for the Christ (**vss. 25-29**).

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John 4:24-26

1. The Samaritan woman recognized the title “Christ” as belonging to the Messiah (**vs. 25**).
2. Jesus claimed the title and office of both Messiah and Christ (**vs. 26**).

Matt. 16:16, 17

1. Peter’s great confession involved recognizing Jesus as the Christ.
2. This understanding is a result of revelation by God the Father.
3. One of our problems today is that we are attempting to accomplish by education and psychology what can only be accomplished by Divine revelation.

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II. PRE-EXISTENCE

– Jesus existed before His conception in Nazareth and birth in Bethlehem. The Bible teaching of Jesus' pre-existence and His deity are so close as to be nearly inseparable. If Jesus had not pre-existed His earthly life and ministry, He could not have been God.

Micah 5:2

1. Jesus was to be born in Bethlehem.
2. Even in 710 B.C. it could be said that His ***"goings forth have been from of old"*** – thus long before the prophecy.
3. Jesus' actions and thus existence was ***"from everlasting"*** or time without end into the past or eternity.

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Isa. 9:6

1. While Jesus was a child born, He was also a son given (a son pre-existing but given through a child's birth).
2. Jesus is also called the Everlasting Father – thus one who lasts forever.

John 1:1-4

1. The "**Word**" is a descriptive title of Jesus.
2. He existed at the beginning as and with God.
3. He was not made because He was the maker of everything.

John 1:14, 15

1. The Word had pre-existed becoming flesh as He "**was made flesh**". Because this He was a spirit being.

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2. Though He was made flesh, He did not permanently lose His glory, as was evidenced on the Mount of Transfiguration.
3. Although Jesus was born after John the Baptist (**Luke 1:36, 57, 76**), He existed before John.

John 8:56-59

1. Abraham (1900 B.C.) had seen Jesus' day.
2. Jesus existed as the "I **AM**" before Abraham.

John 17:5

1. Jesus existed with His Father before the world existed (4004 B.C. approximately).
2. Jesus had shared the glory with the Father before creation.

Phil. 2:5-11

1. Jesus chose to humble Himself.

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2. Involved in this humiliation is the taking on of a form of a servant and being made in the likeness of man.
3. His coming to earth as a man was preceded by an existence equal to and in the form of God (God is spirit). He has always been God but at a point in time He also became man.

Col. 1:15-19

1. Jesus existed "***before all things***", therefore before birth and even creation.
2. He created **all** things and they were created **for Him**.

Rev. 1:8

1. Jesus is the very beginning (**Rev. 22:13**).
2. There could be nothing before Him. Thus, He existed long before His coming to earth as a man.

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III. DEITY

– Jesus is God. This is essential to the Christian faith. If He were not God, then He was a fraud, a liar, and deluded. Since He is and always has been God, we must submit, worship, and serve Him. Two terms must be separated for they are used differently by Modernistic teachers. Such would say they believe in the divinity of Jesus but not His deity. Modernists think of divinity as being unusual, above normal spiritually, and sometimes even god-like. This type of thinking is far short of Jesus' being actually and fully God (deity).

Divinity – D.D. degree – like God, of God, a clergyman – sacred, holy, supremely great.

Deity – is God, state of being a God.

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A. Importance

John 1:12

1. Salvation is tied to the person of Jesus; not His teaching, events, actions, etc.
2. Salvation is not tied to doctrine, church, decisions, altars, preachers, etc.
3. Who we receive that counts. All else is tied to His person, working, and our receiving.

I Cor. 15:17-19

1. Our hope is tied to Jesus.
2. If He is God. He can help us in the next life. If He wasn't, then we are without hope and ***"most miserable"***.

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B. His Claims

Luke 22:66-23:2

1. Jesus is quizzed as to whether He claimed to be the Christ.
2. He claimed even more, – that He was God the Son.
3. He claimed right to the titles of Son of man and Son of God.

John 10:30-33

1. Jesus claimed unity and sameness with God the Father.
2. Jesus' enemies understood His claim to being God.
3. Jesus did nothing to deny or change their statement about His being (claiming to be) God.

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John 10:36-39

1. Jesus defended the thought that He was God.
2. Jesus used the title "***Son of God***" to claim His deity (term used 40 times in the N.T.).

John 14:7-11

1. Jesus made the claim of being God, this time to His disciples.
2. Jesus' claim of deity was given as a reason men should trust Him.
3. Jesus either told the truth (He is God) or was a liar and unworthy of any trust! If He is God, we must trust Him. Those who deny He is God cannot trust Him.

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C. Bible Teaching

Matt. 16:16, 17

1. Peter declared that Jesus was God.
2. This was a result of the Father's revelation. Head knowledge is insufficient. We need God's heart revelation to see Jesus properly. That is why education, psychology, emotional pulls, etc. are insufficient in themselves to see men saved. Of course, entertainment, amusement, and fleshly programs won't do the job either.

Matt. 28:18-20

1. Jesus has all power.
2. Jesus can be with each believer anywhere, everywhere at once.
3. Such is possible only for God.
4. Jesus is given equal recognition with the Father and Holy Ghost in baptism. Such

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would be totally wrong except that Jesus is God.

Mark 2:5-11

1. Jesus not only healed but also forgave sins.
2. The power to forgive sins is for God only (vs. 7).

John 1:1-3

1. Jesus, the living Word, not only was with God, He also was God.
2. Jesus exercised the rights of deity by being the Creator.

John 17:1-3

1. Jesus is the dispenser of eternal life.
2. Eternal life is tied to knowing both Father and Son – (an equality in the Godhead.)

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John 20:27-29

1. Thomas recognized that Jesus was resurrected from the dead.
2. He called Him, "***My Lord and my God***".
3. While deity and Lordship may be related, Thomas knew there was a difference.

Acts 3:12-15

1. Peter preached that Jesus was "***the Holy One***", the "***Just***", and "***the Prince of life***".
2. These terms are absolute as seen by "***the***" instead of "***a***".
3. Such could only be true of God.

Acts 7:57-60

1. Stephen prayed to Jesus as God.
2. Stephen knew Jesus as God and was honored by Him.

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Rom. 9:1-5

1. Paul called Jesus "**God**".
2. Jesus is said to be "**over all**".

II Cor. 13:14

1. Jesus named with the Trinity.
2. First named and therefore not less than the Father and Holy Ghost.

Col. 1:13-19

1. Jesus has clear marks of deity given to Him.
2. Redemption of mankind (**vs. 14**).
3. Image of the invisible God (**vs. 15**).
4. Creator (**vs. 16**).
5. Maintainer and Preserver of all (**vs. 17**).
6. Has full pre-eminence (**vs. 18**).

Col. 2:8, 9

1. Christ contrasted with all philosophy, tradition of men, and thoughts of the world.

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2. In Christ dwells *“all the fulness of the Godhead bodily”*.

I Tim. 2:3-5

1. Jesus is the only mediator.
2. He is both God and man.

I Tim. 6:14-16

1. Jesus is given further titles of deity.
2. *“Only Potentate”*
3. *“King of kings”*
4. *“Lord of lords”*
5. *“Who only hath immortality”*
6. *“Dwelling in the light which no man can approach unto.”*

II Tim. 4:1

1. Jesus will be the **Judge** of all – both saved and lost.
2. Jesus will have a future kingdom.

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Titus 2:13

1. Jesus is called the “*great God*”.
2. He is also called “*our Saviour*”.

Heb. 1:1-10

1. Jesus is heir of all things. No one else can interfere (**vs. 2**).
2. Jesus is the Creator.
3. Jesus is ... the preserver of all things, the Saviour from sin, and now seated with glory (**vs. 3**).
4. Jesus is ... above the angels, and has a name above them (**vs. 4**).
5. Jesus received the worship of angels (**vs. 6**).
6. God the Father called Jesus God! (**vs. 8**).

Rev. 1:17, 18

1. Jesus is the first and the last; therefore, He is God.

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2. Jesus as God controls both hell and death.
3. Jesus is resurrected from the dead and He will never die again.
4. Consider the following verses as they are excellent for dealing with Jehovah's Witnesses on this subject. Their twisted Bible still has enough truth left in it to show that Jesus is God:

Rev. 1:17:18 – Jesus is called “**the first and the last**”.

Isa. 44:6 – The title “**first and last**” is here used for God alone (Jehovah). It states that besides “**the first and the last**” there is no God.

Isa. 48:11, 12 – The One who is “**The first and the last**” will not share His glory with anyone else.

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Isa. 41:4 – A title for God (Jehovah) is ***“The First One”***.

Rev.22:12-15 – Three titles are given to Jesus:

- ***“The First and the Last”***
- ***“Alpha and Omega”***
- ***“The Beginning and the End”***

Rev. 1:8 – ***“Alpha and Omega”*** is a title for the LORD (Jehovah God) the Almighty. Therefore, Jesus is the Lord, God, the Almighty! This is taught even in the Jehovah’s Witnesses own twisted Bible!

Generally, it is not safe or wise to use their “New World Translation” of the Bible as it has been re-written to promote their errors. However, in this case, God has let a warning witness slip past their

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revisers as light to show the honest that the Watch Tower Society teachings are wrong!

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IV. **INCARNATION** – by means of the Virgin Birth. Incarnation means that Jesus (pre-existence and deity) takes on human form and becomes both God and man.

Gen. 3:14, 15

1. Satan's defeat was to be through a human – not an angel or specially created being (**Heb. 2:9, 16-18**).
2. This was to be accomplished by the “*seed*” of the woman, not of man and woman.

Gal. 3:16 – Christ was to come through Abraham.

Gen. 21:12 – Christ was to come through Isaac.

Gen. 49:10 – Christ was to come through Judah.

Acts 2:29, 30

1. Christ was to come through David.

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2. The gap from Judah to David was 10 generations (**Matt. 1:3-6**) because of Pharez (**Gen. 38**) (**Deut. 23:2**).
3. The coming of Christ through this line was according to the flesh (body), but not the spirit (He always has been a Spirit).

Psm. 69:7-9

1. This is an obvious prophecy regarding Jesus (**vs. 9** and **John 2:17**).
2. His brethren are called "**my mother's children**". (Contradicting Roman Catholic error of perpetual virginity of Mary).
3. Joseph obviously was not Jesus' father, though the father of Jesus' brethren.

Isa. 7:14

1. God is to give a "**sign**" to His people.

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2. Special "*sign*" is that a "*virgin*" would conceive.
3. Result of miraculous conception will be a son, - even a greater biological miracle.
4. The name "*Immanuel*" means "**God with us**".
5. The "*sign*" explains the miraculous means of God coming as a son through a virgin birth!

Isa. 9:6

1. The child is to be born, but the Son is given.
2. The Father thus gave the Son through a child being born.

Matt. 1:18-23

1. God here defines how Jesus was born.
2. Mary was with child, not of man, but of the Holy Ghost.

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3. The Father used the Holy Ghost to prepare a body for the Son.
4. Mary stayed a virgin until after Jesus' birth (**vss. 24, 25**) to remove any doubt about Jesus' origin.

Luke 1:26-35, 46, 47

1. Luke was a medical doctor.
2. God had him record the medical details of the virgin birth.
3. What happened is explained in **Matthew**, but how it happened is explained here (**vss. 34, 35**).
4. Mary recognized Jesus as Saviour! (**vss. 46, 47**)
5. There could have been no immaculate conception. Mary had a Saviour and therefore recognized herself as a sinner.

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John 1:14

1. "***The Word***" (a name for Jesus) was God (**vs. 1**).
2. "***The Word was made flesh***". God was made a human also!
3. "**Made**" implies a creative act.

John 3:13

1. "***Son of Man***" had His origin in heaven.
2. He had come down (to be lifted up like Moses' serpent) yet was still in heaven!

John 8:41

1. The Jews knew Jesus' birth was different.
2. They thought and accused Him of having been born illegitimately. They couldn't grasp the truth of the virgin birth.

Gal. 4:4, 5

1. God sent Jesus.

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2. ***“His Son”*** was a Son when sent, - He didn't become a son!
3. Jesus was ***“made of a woman”***.

Phil. 2:6, 7, 8

1. Jesus' coming involved being ***“made”***.
2. He was ***“in the likeness of men,” “in fashion as a man”***, yet without the sin nature of a man. In this alone He was different.

Col. 4:14

1. Luke was a doctor
2. He wrote the clearest record of the birth.
3. Luke had talked to eyewitnesses – (Mary was the only possible eyewitness to all that was involved in the virgin birth). – Luke also was given by God ***“perfect understanding of all things from the very first.”***

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4. A court of law could not ask for a better witness on the subject of God becoming man.

I Tim. 3:16

1. A mystery to many – especially unbelievers.
2. God was manifest in the flesh.
3. Clear witnesses to this fact are listed.

Heb. 2:9

1. "***Jesus, who was made***".
2. Made a little lower than the angels.

Heb. 2:14

1. Jesus was a partaker of "***flesh and blood***".
2. He became like us in all ways.

Heb. 2:16-18

1. "***Took on***" the seed of Abraham
2. He identified with us fully.

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I John 4:1-3

1. "*Jesus Christ is come in the flesh*".
2. The origin, process, and result are all important.
3. This is the test of truth and error!

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V. THE SINLESS LIFE OF JESUS

– If Jesus had sinned, He would have had to die for His own sins. He would not have been able to die for ours!

Isa. 53:9

1. Jesus had “*done no violence*”
2. Jesus never had “*any deceit in His mouth*”.

I Pet. 2:22

1. Jesus “*did no sin*”.
2. There was no “*guile found in His mouth*”.

Matt. 27:3, 4

1. Judas declared Jesus innocent.
2. The Chief Priests and Elders did not argue the issue but said it was no issue to them!

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Matt. 27:19

1. Pilate's wife declared Jesus a "**Just man**".
2. No one debated this issue.

Mark 1:23, 24

1. An unclean spirit called Jesus holy – "**the Holy One of God**".
2. This is not normal for demons as they normally are accusers.

Luke 9:29

1. Jesus was transfigured while praying. (How about us?)
2. Even His raiment was affected by the glory – white and glistening.

Luke 23:41, 27

1. Thief said He had "**done nothing amiss**".
2. Centurion said He was "**a righteous man**".

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3. It is unusual for criminals and military officers to claim any one is totally free from sin.

John 1:4, 5

1. Jesus is the source of light.
2. Light is in direct contrast to darkness.

John 3:19-21

1. Light is contrasted with evil.
2. Thus Jesus is the opposite of sin or evil

John 8:12

1. Jesus is the light, it is His very nature.
2. We have the ability to live according to this light!

John 8:46

1. Jesus gave His enemies an opportunity to accuse Him of sin.

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2. None had nor ever did accuse Him of sin.

John 14:30

1. Despite Satan's tempting Jesus in all areas, he never could find a place or handle to have on Jesus. He had nothing on Christ.
2. Sin gives Satan a handle on us.

John 18:38

1. Pilate said, "*I find in Him no fault at all!*"
2. Unusual for a politician to not be able to find either sin or fault in anyone – especially a potential competitor for public good will and support.
3. Unusual for a judge to not find any fault at all in an accused.

John 19:4-6

1. Pilate twice more states Jesus' sinlessness, publicly.

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2. Pilate was a corrupt politician who ends up defending Jesus before an organized mob.

Acts 3:14

1. Peter called Jesus the Holy One and Just.
2. The Jewish people had heard this often before (sinlessness of Jesus) and offer no argument against it.

Acts 4:27, 28

1. Disciples called Jesus the holy child.
2. This was in prayer to the Father and was honored with an answer.

II Cor. 5:20, 21

1. Jesus "**knew no sin**".
2. This is foundational to our being made right in God's eyes and even the righteousness of God.

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3. If Jesus had sinned, there could have been no salvation for us. The whole basis of being our substitute is based on this fact.

Heb. 1:8, 9

1. Sceptre of Christ's Kingdom is a "**sceptre of righteousness**".
2. Jesus loved righteousness and hated iniquity. (You can't have one without the other).
3. God's anointing is evidence of Christ's righteous life and love of righteousness.

Heb. 4:15, 16

1. Jesus was tempted in all points – "**like as we are**".
2. Jesus was "without sin".

Heb. 5:9

1. Jesus was made perfect.

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2. This does not refer to sin removed and perfected.
3. This refers to completion in all areas due to sufferings (**vs. 8, 2:10**).

Heb. 7:26-28

1. Jesus didn't have to offer a sacrifice up for His own sins.
2. He was holy, harmless, undefiled, and separate from sins.

I Pet. 1:19

1. Jesus' blood was precious because He was sinless.
2. He was without blemish or spot.

I Pet. 2:21-24

1. Jesus did no sin.
2. No guile was found in His mouth.
3. He never responded to sin in like kind.

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I Pet. 3:18

1. We are called unjust because we are sinners.
2. Jesus is called just because He was sinless.

I John 1:5 – There was no darkness in God.

I John 3:3 – Jesus is pure; therefore we should purify ourselves.

I John 3:5 – In Jesus is no sin!

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VI. SUBSTITUTIONARY DEATH

- A central theme of the Bible and History.
- Death described at length twice in the O.T. (**Psm. 22** and **Isa. 53**) and four times in the N.T. (each Gospel), plus being mentioned multitudes of other places.

Gen. 2:17

1. Sin brings death.
2. The death shows in various forms: spiritual, social, environmental, economical, and eventually physical.
3. **Rom. 6:23** – this principle still operates.

Gen. 3:21

1. Mankind's sin caused the death of an animal – to obtain the skins.
2. Type or example of sacrifice was here established.

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Gen. 4:1-5

1. Abel chose an occupation to fit himself for service, sacrifice, faith, obedience, and meditation. Cain chose otherwise.
2. Abel operated by faith (**Heb. 11:4**), therefore acting on God's command.
3. Both must have known that animal sacrifice (blood and death) was required.
4. Cain chose fruit to offer (no blood or death) and was rejected.

Gen. 22:7, 8

1. Isaac understood the principle of sacrifice.
2. Great prophecy, – God to provide Himself a lamb – a sacrifice – a burnt offering.

Exodus 11 – teaches of the Passover sacrifice.

Leviticus – teaches of many sacrifices to be made.

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Psm. 22:1, 7, 8

1. David prophesied of Jesus' death.
2. Quotes from the cross were given over 1000 years before the event!

Psm. 22:14-18

1. Details of Jesus' crucifixion in events and suffering recorded ahead of time!
2. God was focusing attention to this event 10 centuries before it happened!

Psm. 69:7-9

1. Our reproaches were put on Jesus ... He became our substitute.
2. **Rom. 15:3** records the fulfillment of this prophecy.

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Isa. 52:13; 53:12

1. This is perhaps the clearest picture of Jesus' suffering.
2. He was marred for many nations (**52:13, 14**).
3. He bore our griefs and carried our sorrows (**53:4**).
4. He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities, the chastisement of our peace was upon Him (**53:3**).
5. Father laid on Jesus our iniquities (**53:6**).
6. He was stricken for the transgression of others (**53:8**).
7. He (sinless) had His soul made an offering for sin (ours) (**53:10**).
8. He bore our iniquities (**53:11**).
9. He bare the sin of many (**53:12**).
10. All this is how Jesus was our substitute in His death!

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Zech. 13:6

1. Future – therefore prophecy.
2. Jesus still has wounds, for He has given His blood which would be needed to heal them.

Matt. 16:21-23

1. Jesus taught His death ahead of time.
2. Satan, through Peter, resisted the teaching of a planned (“must”) death.

Luke 9:30, 31

1. Jesus’ death was the topic of discussion on the Mount of Transfiguration.
2. Jesus’ death was to be an accomplishment!
... Not a defeat, circumstance, event etc.
3. Moses and Elijah, representing the Law and the Prophets, saw Jesus’ death as the focus of Jesus’ coming!

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Luke 24:25-27

1. Jesus talked with two disciples on the way to Emmaus on the need for suffering to precede glory.
2. The Law and the Prophets were clear on this subject.

John 10:11

1. Jesus' is the good shepherd.
2. Jesus was to be the substitute for the sheep.

John 10:17, 18

1. Jesus was to lay His life down.
2. No one took Jesus' life, – He gave it as a willing sacrifice.

John 12:23, 24

1. Jesus expected to be glorified through dying.

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2. Death brings fruit, and the saved are the fruit of His death. (Fruit takes on or shows the nature of the seed).

John 12:31-33

1. Jesus death was a great victory of Satan.
2. His death also has drawing power to mankind.
3. People blame Pilate, Herod, Caiaphas, Jewish leaders, Romans, Satan, and/or demons etc... BUT Jesus laid down His life for ungodly rebels that we might be saved!

I Cor. 2:8

1. Satan is the "***prince of the power of the air***" (Eph. 2:2), "***prince of the devils***" (Matt. 12:24), or "***prince of this world***" (John 12:31).

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2. **Eph. 6:12** makes it clear that Satan's Kingdom includes rulers and principalities of this world system.
3. Satan and his workers brought on the crucifixion and defeat through his (and their) ignorance.

Acts 2:22-24

1. God's counsel and foreknowledge delivered up Jesus to die.
2. Mankind was willing and desirous of taking Jesus and crucifying Him.
3. It was previously decided that Jesus would die (**Rev. 13:8**) and only waited time for it to be accomplished.

Rom. 4:24, 25

1. Jesus' death was based on His being delivered to it (by God) not taken away from God.

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2. His death was:

- for – a positive action
- our – a personal action
- offences – a practical action

We had offended God by sin. Yet, God delivered up His only begotten Son to suffer what we deserved.

Rom. 5:6-8

1. We had no strength by which to save ourselves.
2. Christ died for us (**vs. 8**).
3. We were ungodly (**vs. 6**) and sinners (**vs. 8**). These are the only kinds of people Jesus died for.

Rom. 8:31, 32

1. The Father delivered up Jesus for us!

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2. There is nothing of greater value; now He freely gives us all things!

I Cor. 5:7

1. Christ is the Passover Lamb. He provides protection from judgment.
2. He was sacrificed for us.
3. His death was a substitute for ours.

I Cor. 6:20

1. Saved are bought with a price.
2. He now owns us because of His becoming our substitute.

I Cor. 15:3, 4

1. Christ died for our sins and this was done according to the Scriptures.
2. The substitutionary death of Jesus is the beginning of the Gospel.

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Gal. 3:13, 14

1. We were under the curse of the law.
2. Jesus was "***made a curse for us***", by means of His substitutionary death.
3. Now instead of a curse we get both a blessing and a promise.

Gal. 4:4, 5

1. Jesus came to redeem us.
2. The result for us is we are adopted as sons.

Heb. 2:9, 14-18

1. Jesus became man to die for men.
2. For His death to be substitutionary and make reconciliation for sins, He had "***to be made like unto His brethren***".

Heb. 9:25-28

1. Jesus died once for us.

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2. Mass with its transubstantiation (re-sacrifice of Jesus) is impossible and un-Biblical.

I Pet. 1:10-12

1. The clear understanding of the substitutionary death was not grasped by the prophets nor by angels.
2. Preaching of the Gospel brings understanding beyond the facts.

I Pet. 1:18-20

1. Jesus' death involved His blood.
2. This is the foundation of our salvation.

I Pet. 2:24

1. Jesus as a substitute, bore our sins in His own body.

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2. His stripes produced spiritual healing so that we can now live unto righteousness. It is far better to be able to live holy than just be healthy ...

I Pet. 3:18

1. Jesus was just while we were unjust.
2. He took our place, the just for the unjust, when He suffered for sins.

I John 2:2

1. "**Propitiation**" means to appease the wrath of the one who has been offended ... to pacify.
2. Jesus took our place to pacify the wrath of God against sin.

Rev. 5:8-12

1. Jesus' actions in dying as a substitute qualify Him as the "**Worthy**" One.

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2. He should receive the praise for providing such a salvation.

Rev. 13:8

1. By agreement and covenant, Jesus was "***the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world***".
2. He accomplished it in fact and time on Mt. Calvary over 1900 years ago.
3. What has He determined that we need to accomplish?

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VII. JESUS' BLOOD – the Work it does

– Denial of Christ's blood's working is a great heresy. Contrast the errors of Liberalism, Jehovah's Witnesses, Mormons, Theism, John McArthur, and others to what the **BIBLE** teaches.

– In most all cases, it is not the existence of blood but two greater issues:

- a) The emphasis put on the blood of Jesus, and
- b) What work we say the blood actually does.

Acts 20:28

1. Jesus' blood purchased the local Church.
2. A true Church has been bought and is not its own, nor does it belong to its members etc.
3. The Holy Ghost qualifies, selects, and places overseers in the Church.

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Rom. 5:8, 9

1. Jesus' blood justifies us.
2. Jesus' blood makes it so that we can be saved from wrath.
3. His blood went beyond what His death did – ***"Much more then"***.

I Cor. 10:16

1. Jesus' blood provides for a Communion.
2. His body suffered; therefore, there is the fellowship of His sufferings (**Phil. 3:10**).
3. His blood was poured out; therefore, we can have the fellowship of sacrifice!

Eph. 1:7

1. Jesus' blood gives forgiveness of sins.
2. Individual sins were cared for, not just sin in general or the sin nature.
3. The Old Testament sacrifices only covered sins, but Jesus' blood gives forgiveness!

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Eph. 2:8-13

1. Jesus' blood brings us near to God.
2. Gentiles as well as Jews are brought close.

Col. 1:20

1. Jesus' blood made peace with God.
2. This is the basis of our being reconciled to God.

Heb. 9:12

1. Jesus' blood obtained eternal redemption for us.
2. Jesus' blood is superior to animal blood.

Heb. 9:14

1. Jesus' blood purges our conscience. It cleans away the stain, removes the sin, and makes our conscience without blemish!
2. This takes us "***from dead works***" so that we can "***serve the living God***".

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Heb. 10:19

1. Jesus' blood gives us access "*into the holiest*" or throne room of God.
2. Boldness to enter is now ours.
3. A ministry of prayer is provided.

Heb. 13:12

1. Jesus' blood purchased our sanctification.
2. Holy living is now possible.
3. Usefulness is now available to us.
4. Separation and dedication are now provided for each of us.
5. Justification has to do with salvation from the penalty of sin, while sanctification deals with salvation from the power of sin.
6. We don't have to work up to this, agonize it down, or earn it. Jesus paid for it with His blood. We should enter into it and enjoy it in practice.

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Heb. 13:20

1. Jesus' blood provided the Everlasting Covenant.
2. This covenant has no end.
3. This blood works great results: i.e. **vs. 21**:
 - a) **"make you perfect"**
 - b) **"every good work"**
 - c) **"do His will"**
 - d) **"working in you"**.

I Pet. 1:2

1. Jesus' blood has continual use after salvation.
2. Matches up with our obedience.
3. Sprinkling speaks of efficiency as well as O.T. types in sacrifices.
4. This **"sprinkling"** has to do with Jesus' blood, and is in no way connected to a form of baptism (dipping and dying).

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I John 1:7

1. Jesus' blood cleanses from sin.
2. It actually removes the sin from us. There is deliverance.
– See **Rev. 1:5** also.

I John 5:8

1. Jesus' blood bears witness in us, – to us and to others.
2. **II Cor. 4:7** *“We have this treasure in earthen vessels.”*

Rev. 5:9

1. Jesus' blood works in all kindreds and nations.
2. It is not just for Jewish people nor any other single national or racial groups. It is available to all!

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Rev. 12:11

1. Jesus' blood defeats Satan.
3. This will explain the devil's hatred of this subject.

Acts 5:28

1. Jesus' blood condemns the lost.
2. Rejecting Jesus makes one guilty of that blood – blood guiltiness.
3. **Matt. 27:24, 25** – One's attitude toward Jesus is identical to His attitude toward the blood.

Heb. 10:29

1. Jesus' blood brings judgment/punishment to those who count it less than holy.
2. This is as bad as despising the Holy Spirit and walking over Jesus.

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Rom. 3:25

1. Jesus' blood was how He became our propitiation.
2. This is realized through faith in His blood.

Heb. 12:24

1. Jesus' blood speaks.
2. This is more than poetical terminology. It actually has "things" to say – better than what Abel's blood said (**Gen. 4:10**).

Rev. 7:14

1. Jesus' blood washed robes white.
2. Righteous living (**Rev. 19:7, 8**) is made possible through the blood.

Thus we see 21 different things that Jesus' blood does! There are probably others that you can locate and add to this list. We must stand without

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compromise against those heretics who would ignore or devalue Jesus' blood. It is "*holy*" blood, God's blood, pure blood, working blood. The Bible states that "*without shedding of blood is no remission.*" (Heb. 9:22b).

Matt. 27:4 – Teaches that Jesus' blood was "*innocent blood*". No guilt could there be found. In this, it is different from any human blood.

Acts 20:28 and I John 1:7 – make it clear that Jesus' blood was God's blood! Thus it is unique and lasting blood. It is not subject to the laws of science in make-up, endurance, or usefulness. It is far superior to human blood. God would not accept human blood in the Old Testament for a sacrifice because it was tainted by the Fall. He took animal blood (untainted) as a covering. But Jesus' blood is even higher (**Heb. 9:12**).

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1 Pet. 1:19 – Jesus' blood is "*precious blood*". It was precious to God the Father who accepted it; it was precious to the Son who shed it; and it was precious to the Holy Spirit who helped offer it. How precious is Jesus' blood to you? In what ways is it precious?

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VIII. JESUS' BURIAL

– Death is not the end of existence; it is a change of spheres.

– Death to the physical world brings a time of spiritual warfare.

I Cor. 15:1-4

1. Christ's burial is the second part of the Gospel – the most neglected part.
2. We are to fully identify with the Gospel, – receive, stand in, and keep in memory.
3. Christ's burial pictures sanctification.
4. We are to be buried with Him.

Rom. 6:1-6

1. Believers have been buried with Jesus (**vs. 4**).
2. Water baptism pictures our salvation.
3. This is not water baptism but salvation (**vss. 2, 3, 4, 5**).

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4. Salvation involves a burial that frees us so that we no longer need to serve sin (**vs. 6**).
5. Water baptism pictures His and our death, burial, and resurrection. Only immersion can picture the true gospel. It is an outward sign of what has been experienced within the soul.
6. Jesus' burial is quite important. What happened during that time teaches us more about the Biblical Gospel of our salvation.

Matt. 12:38-40

1. Jonah is a picture of Jesus.
2. Both were to have a 3-day and 3-night experience.
3. Jonah spent his "***in the whale's belly***".
4. Jesus was to spend His "***in the heart of the earth***" (center not surface).
5. The body was in the tomb but He was in the center of the earth.

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Eph. 4:7-11

1. Jesus had to descend first into the lower parts of the earth (different from a tomb).
2. When He later "*ascended up on high*" He
 - a) "*led captivity captive*"
 - b) "*gave gifts unto men*".

Luke 16:19-26

1. Jesus taught that hell and Abraham's bosom were close together.
2. Heaven wasn't promised to O.T. saints or even the thief on the cross.
3. Abraham's bosom was a place of rest and comfort – seemingly Paradise (**Luke 23:43**).

Col. 2:14, 15

1. Jesus "**spoiled principalities and powers**".
2. This involved defeating them and taking of their goods (spoils). (**Mark 3:27; Isa. 14:17**).

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3. When we enter into His burial, we obtain of His victory and the freeing of captives.
4. Jesus accomplished this openly and so should we.

Col. 2:12, 13

1. Our new life (quickened) and our forgiveness is a result of being "***risen with Him***".
2. Before the resurrection with Him we are first "***buried with Him***".
3. Our burial is first for our salvation and then ongoing for victory.
4. Burial involves separation from the world and free operating in the spiritual realm.

Heb. 2:14, 15

1. Jesus has already defeated Satan.

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2. Satan had the power of death but lost it to Jesus who now controls the keys (**Rev. 1:18**).
3. We no longer have to fear death.
4. The way to victory is to follow Jesus as our example (**Rev. 12:11**).

Gen. 22:8

1. Great prophecy of Jesus presents Him as God's Lamb (**John 1:29**).
2. Jesus is prophesied to become a burnt offering.
3. Many of the sacrificial types of Christ in the Old Testament were to be burnt by fire.

Psm. 16:10

1. Here David gives a prophecy of Jesus to be resurrected.
2. It is clear that Jesus was to go to hell but not to stay there.

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Acts 2:25-31

1. Peter preached on the day of Pentecost that Jesus had fulfilled David's prophecy.
2. Issue was not the location of Jesus' body (in the tomb), but of His soul (in hell) thus becoming a burnt offering.
3. The resurrection guaranteed the end of Christ's possible time in hell.
4. Therefore Jesus went to hell while in the heart of the earth (**Matt. 12:38-40**). This locates physically the place called Hell.

Luke 23:43

1. Jesus promised the thief on the cross that they would be together in Paradise that same day.
2. Thus we learn that Paradise was located (then) in the heart of the earth (**Matt. 12:38-40**). It now is relocated to the third

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heaven (II Cor. 12:1-4). *“When He ascended up on high, He led captivity captive,”* (Eph. 4:8).

I Pet. 3:18-20

1. Jesus used time between death and resurrection (burial time) to preach to *“spirits in prison”*.
2. These *“spirits”* were of those who were disobedient before the flood ... while the ark was being built. This is quite specific and cannot be stretched to mean a second chance for the lost. The time period (perhaps 120-years) compared to perhaps 4035 years of time indicates only 3 percent of the total time period.
3. Preaching does not necessarily imply a Gospel invitation. It may involve further condemnation (Isa. 6:9-11).

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4. These spirits might have been the ungodly (**II Pet. 2:5**) who were judged and/or the disobedient angels (**Jude 6; Gen. 6:1-4**), who left and are reserved for judgment. They obviously are not free spirits.
5. Burial with Christ should make heaven, hell, and the definite judgment of the lost real to us.

Heb 9:12, 23-28

1. Jesus took His blood to heaven for us.
2. This was at His ascension following His descension (**Eph. 4:7-9**) ... not the public ascension from the Mount of Olives 40-days after the resurrection. This occurred shortly after the resurrection.
 - **John 20:17, 18** – Jesus asked not to be touched as He hadn't yet ascended.
 - **Matt. 28:9** – A short time later Jesus allowed Himself to be touched and held.

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– **John 20:27** – Jesus now invites Thomas to touch Him.

Mark 14:3-9

1. Mary's anointing (**John 12:1-8**) of Jesus was to prepare His "**body**" for burial.
2. This event is to be spoken of wherever the **GOSPEL** is preached in the whole world (**Matt. 26:13**).
3. The Bible makes special note of the care of Jesus' body for the burial time.

– **Matt. 27:58** – Joseph begs for Jesus' body.

– **Matt. 27:59** – It is wrapped in a clean linen cloth.

– **Matt. 27:60** – It is put in a new tomb; one of Joseph's own making.

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– **John 19:38-42** – Nicodemus assisted in the burial. Myrrh and aloes (spices) were used to preserve the body ... 100 lbs. weight.

– **John 20:6, 7** – The body was wound in linen clothes (**19:40**) with a separate napkin for around His head.

– **Luke 23:55, 56** – Women had observed at least the first part of the body's preparation. They also gathered spices and ointments for His body.

– **Mark 16:1-5** – They came very early on the first day of the week to anoint the body of Jesus.

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4. Great honor was given to Jesus by the care given to His body. It was not burned, tossed aside, neglected, rejected, or considered of little or no value. There should be a lesson in this for us.

Luke 23:46

1. Jesus gave His spirit to God the Father.
2. This act was in line with the prophecy of **Psm. 31:5**.
3. Stephen followed somewhat the same pattern in **Acts 7:59**.
4. This is all according to the teaching of **Eccl. 12:7**:
 - body to dust to the earth
 - The spirit returned to God.
5. We are given a body and a spirit with which we are to glorify God (**I Cor. 6:19, 20**). We are a soul or ... a soul is what we really are.

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6. Jesus' burial pictures clearly these three areas:
 - He (soul) went to the heart of the earth (but God wouldn't leave Him there – His soul that is - **Acts 2:25-31**).
 - His Spirit returned to heaven.
 - His Body was laid in the grave.

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IX. JESUS' RESURRECTION

- Christ's resurrection is one of the clearest proved facts in history.
- This sets Christianity apart from all other religions.
- If there had been no physical bodily resurrection, it would have meant that Jesus was not God.

I Cor. 15:1-4

1. The resurrection is a part of the message of the saving gospel.
2. There could have been no real salvation in a dead Saviour.
3. A true Saviour must overcome death and hell to bring us real life and resurrection if heaven is to become ours.
4. The resurrection was according to the Scriptures.

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I Cor. 15:5-8

1. There were clear evidences of the resurrection.
2. Jesus was seen many times, six of which are recorded here:
 - Peter (**Luke 24:34**)
 - James
 - Twelve
 - All the apostles
 - 500
 - Paul
3. A study of the rest of the New Testament would allow you to add many other sightings to this list.

Acts 1:1-3

1. Jesus showed Himself alive.
2. He used many infallible proofs.
3. He was seen over a period of 40-days.
4. This certainly was too much too long to be a dream or a vision.

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John 20:14-20

1. Mary Magdalene saw Jesus and talked with Him.
2. The ten disciples (**vs. 24**) saw Jesus, His hands and side, and heard Him speak. They were changed from fear to gladness.

John 20:26-29

1. Jesus was seen of the disciples (11) with Thomas present.
2. Offer made to be touched and the open side could be reached into.
3. Thomas changed from doubt to belief.

John 21:1, 9-14

1. Jesus here appears a third time to the disciples (**vs. 14**).
2. Jesus fed the disciples, – hardly the act of a bodiless spirit.

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Luke 24:13-16, 30

1. Jesus appeared to two disciples on the road to Emmaus.
2. He took, held, and broke bread.
3. He blessed a meal but seemingly did not eat it.
4. He had the ability to vanish in His resurrected body.

Luke 24:36-45

1. Disciples mistakenly thought Jesus was a spirit.
2. Jesus shows His hands and feet, offers to be handled, and makes clear He has a physical body.
3. His body is described as flesh and bones as the blood was already in heaven.
4. He ate both fish and honeycomb.

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Acts 1:3-11

1. This would be the fourth appearance (at least) of Jesus to the disciples.
2. This time they were comfortable with Him and discussing the future.

Acts 2:22-24

1. The “**Resurrection**” was a definite part of Peter’s message.
2. The resurrection produced boldness in Peter he didn’t have before Christ’s death.
3. It is a curious fact that the Roman Catholic Church, that makes so much over Peter, leaves out the resurrection in the Stations of the Cross, etc.!

Acts 20:7

1. The “**Resurrection**” brought a change in the day of worship, fellowship, and preaching.

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2. By this point the first day of the week had become the normal day of meeting.
3. **I Cor. 16:2** shows that this was the day the believers cared for their giving to missionary work etc.

Rev. 1:18

1. Jesus stated to John that He was resurrected.
2. The Bible records Jesus' claim.

Matt. 28:5, 6

1. An angel declared Jesus was risen.
2. He offered the proof of an empty grave.

Luke 24:12

1. Peter saw the empty linen clothes that had before been wrapped around the body of Jesus.

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2. Peter had to face evidence that Jesus wasn't dead.

John 20:9

1. The Scriptures required a resurrection (**Luke 24:23-27**).
2. Often we don't understand clearly Scriptural prophecies until after their fulfillment.

I Cor. 15:12-19

1. The resurrection was a necessity if there was to be a real salvation.
2. Without a resurrection we are a miserable people.

I Cor. 15:20-23

1. The resurrection guarantees victory over the results of Adam's sin.

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2. Our race was condemned without hope due to Adam. Jesus reversed this. Now it is a personal relationship that must be entered into for our personal situation

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X. RESULTS OF JESUS' RESURRECTION

Acts 13:26-38

1. It is a theme in the message of salvation.
2. It was a fulfillment of prophecy.

Acts 17:30-32

3. It is the guarantee of righteous judgment.

Rom. 1:4

4. It gives proof of the deity of Jesus.

Rom. 4:24, 25

5. It provided our justification.

Rom. 7:4

6. It makes possible our bearing of fruit.

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Rom. 14:9

7. It gives Jesus rights to full Lordship over mankind.

I Cor. 15:22

8. It produces life for those "*in Christ*".

II Cor. 4:14

9. It guarantees our resurrection.

Eph. 1:19, 20

10. It showed the great power that now operates in the saved.

Col. 3:1

11. It has us seeking heavenly things.

Heb. 7:25

12. Jesus is now our intercessor (also mediator and advocate).

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I Pet. 1:3, 4

13. It gives us a lively hope.

Rev. 1:18

14. He now controls the keys of hell and death.

Acts 20:7 etc.

15. It brought a change in the day of worship.

John 16:7 (20:22 and Acts 2)

16. It made possible the sending of the Holy Spirit to His present ministry in and for us.

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XI. ASCENSION OF CHRIST

Mark 16:19, 20

1. "Received up into heaven" by
 - God the Father
 - Elect Angels
 - Old Testament Saints
2. "Sat on the right hand of God."

Luke 24:49-53

1. "Carried up into heaven"
 - By whom? Father? Holy Spirit?
2. Heaven is where He came from (**John 17:4, 5**), and where He returned.

Acts 1:6-11

1. "Taken up"
2. To return "*in like manner*"

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Acts 7:54-59

1. Jesus stands to receive the first martyr.
2. Seen also by Saul/Paul (**I Cor. 9:1; 15:8**),
Ananias (**Acts 9:10, 17**) and John (**Rev. 1**).

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XII. JESUS' PRESENT MINISTRY

John 14:16

1. He sent the Holy Spirit for particular and special ministries.
2. **John 16:7** – The Holy Spirit is able to continue Christ's personal ministries to our benefit.

John 14:20

1. Christ indwells the believer.
2. This is the basis of successful Christian living (**Gal. 2:20**).

Matt. 16:18

1. Christ builds the Church.
2. Christ owns the Church.
3. That which is built of man and/or owned by men is not Christ's nor can it truly be called a Church.

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Rom. 8:34

1. Christ intercedes for us.
2. His intercession makes for a full salvation (Heb. 7:25).
3. Makes intercession for the lost to be saved (Heb. 7:25).

Rom. 8:35

1. Jesus loves us.
2. Nothing can separate us from His love.

Eph. 1:22, 23

1. He is the head of the Church.
2. His headship is in all areas.
3. We are the body to respond to His mind.

Eph. 4:7-11

1. He gives gifts to men.
2. He gives gifted men to the Church.

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3. He decides which church gets which of His gifted men.

Eph. 5:25-27

1. He sanctifies and cleanses us.
2. He desires and works to make us a glorious Church, holy, without blemish, spot or wrinkle!
3. (**John 13**) The ordinance of foot washing was to remind us of this.
4. (**Heb. 2:11**) Because He sanctifies us, He is not ashamed to call us "**Brethren**"!

I Tim. 2:5

1. He is a mediator.
2. The only mediator between God and man as He is both God and man!
3. (**Heb. 8:6**) He mediates "**a better covenant**".

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4. (Heb. 9:15) He mediates "*the new testament*". We therefore get an eternal inheritance.

Heb. 2:18

1. He helps and strengthens us when we are tempted.
2. His own experience prepared Him for this.
3. Temptation is a form of suffering to a holy person.

Heb. 2:17

1. He serves as our High Priest.
2. (Heb. 4:14) This should encourage us to hold fast.

I Pet. 2:25

1. Shepherd of our souls (5:4 Chief Shepherd).
2. Bishop of our souls (Pastors are the ministers of the Bishop.)

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I John 1:3-7

1. He desires to fellowship with us.
2. (**Rev. 3:20**) In the last days the church, in general, will operate without fellowshipping with Jesus.

I John 2:1

1. He is our advocate (legal representative) when we sin.
2. This should encourage us not to sin.

Jude 1

1. He preserves His saints.
2. He can keep us from falling and present us faultless! (**vss. 24, 25**).

Rev. 4:11

1. He still creates things for His pleasure.
2. (**Heb. 1:3**) He upholds all things by His power.

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3. (Col. 1:17) He keeps all things together.
They consist by His power.



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