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This morning if you were called to go and share a message about Jesus Christ and explain how to be saved, born-again, and live the life of a believer, what would you share?

Let me add that you will be facing 2,000 antagonistic, gang members who have

- All killed at least one person in their life (and ate their body I might add),
- All are involved in witchcraft of some form,
- All have both a drinking and drug addiction, and
- All are living in adultery or fornication.

Add to that several hundred unwed mothers, plus countless divorced and unfaithful women as well as some legions of hardened children who live in those broken homes. And I am not describing America although we are fast approaching this state!

Now, what would you teach them if they asked you to stay a month and present Christ?

Well, that is exactly the situation that faced one of the most well documented missionaries of the past 100 years.

- The year 1910, the place Central Africa, the man Charles T. Studd.
- What was his plan? He started in the Gospels and preached to them the message of Jesus straight from the Gospels.
- And what happened? One of the greatest movings of the Holy Spirit since Pentecost. Tens of thousands were completely changed from the inside out!
- And 21 years later in 1931, there were scores of local churches, pastored by converted pagans, training homes with married couples raising godly children!

Passed now are the years of darkness and savagery. The former enemies sit shoulder to shoulder. No weapons of war are left, only the bond of love. This would be the last sight of his dear saintly convert Studd would see. After his message uttered between gasps for air, with every era strained to catch each word, he is carried back to his hut. Exhausted, he rests, though only his Savior knew it was his last. In the night the Faithful Shepherd who had led him to China, then India and finally to the very heart of Africa - took CT home. In the morning only the shriveled earthly tent was left. But around that hut and to the furthest reaches of the jungles and on mission stations around the world, the footprints of this giant can be found today.

Welcome to the Gospel of Jesus Christ!

The Master's Message In John is watching Jesus through the eyes and ears of the Apostle John. We are doing this study because Jesus is the One who sent us to go and preach His gospel.

Jesus is the best One to summarize the message He wants us to share in His name. What is the Gospel? Christ Jesus answers through the eyes and ears of the Apostle that He loved - John.

John has over 20 powerful scenes where our Lord Jesus Christ explains the truth about salvation, and identifies those who are saved. We have come to the third of 26 beautiful moments in Christ's Ministry.

John captures Jesus describing believers as those who:

1. Possess Jesus Christ (1.12);

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Part: 7 Following Jesus As My Good Shepherd

Part: 6 I AM THE DOOR: Entering Life Through Jesus

Part: 5 Have You Given Your Life to Jesus?

Part: 4 Jesus: I AM the Bread of Life

Part: 3 Jesus: I am the LIGHT in the Wilderness

Part: 2 Jesus: I AM the Light to follow

Part: 1 Jesus: I AM the Light to Trust

2. Understand salvation is only by substitution (1.29);
 3. Have been overwhelmed by the Holy Spirit (1.33);
 4. Hang on to Christ alone (2.11);
 5. Get to start life over again -only this time brand new and in the right way with no wrath of God to ever fear (3.1-36);
 6. Worshipers who drink the water of life because they are convinced that Christ is their only hope (4.1-42);
1. **BelieverS possess Christ; Believers become God's Children; BELIEVERS HAVE A Salvation THAT is only by a Supernatural event.**
 - **Believers possess Christ and become God's children** John 1:12 Yet to all who **received Him**, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to **become children of God**—
 - **John 1:13** children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but **born of God**.
 2. **Believers understand that salvation is only by substitution** John 1:29 The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look, **the Lamb of God**, who takes away the sin of the world! "Behold the lamb of God". There before ^[1] John stood the One whom all the sacrifices of Old Testament times had foreshadowed. It is exceedingly striking to observe the progressive order followed by God in the teaching of Scripture concerning "the lamb". The Gospel as explained by Paul in **1 Cor 15:3-4** explains this so clearly Christ died for sin
 3. **A believer is overwhelmed by the Holy Spirit** John 1:33 I would not have known him, except that the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, 'The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and remain is he who will **baptize with the Holy Spirit**.' God's Holy Spirit comes and invades every part of our being, standing by to transform, deliver, heal, and protect. The Baptism of the Holy Spirit is the washing away of our sins, the supernatural implantation of a new heart, and the beginning of God's work in our lives. It is instantaneous and supernatural. So in a sense, baptism does save us, baptism does wash away all sin, but the baptism that does that is only performed once and only performed by God the Holy Spirit!
 4. **A believer gets salvation only by hanging on to Christ alone** John 2:11 This, the first of his miraculous signs, Jesus performed at Cana in Galilee. He thus revealed his glory, and his disciples **put their faith in him**. Salvation is a person, and He is our substitute, and we cling to him!
 5. **A believer gets to start life over again** (brand new and the right way!); **a believer LOOKS AT Christ AS THEIR ONLY HOPE; a believer lives the truth; a believer loves the light** Now mark these with me in your Bibles:
 - **A believer gets to start life over again** (brand new and the right way!) That is in **John 3:3, 5,7** In reply Jesus declared, "I tell you the truth, no one can see the kingdom of God unless he **is born again**." 5 Jesus answered, "I tell you the truth, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless he is born of water and the Spirit. 7 You should not be surprised at my saying, 'You must be born again.'
 - **A believer LOOKS AT Christ AS THEIR ONLY HOPE** John 3:15-16, 18, 20-21 that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life. 16 "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. 17 DO AS MOSES SERPENT VERSE!18 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. 20 Everyone who does evil hates the light, and will not come into the light for fear that his deeds will be exposed.
 - **A believer lives the truth and a believer loves the light** John 3:21 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." Remember again **Acts 26:18** we are light seekers and lovers. I John 1 we walk in the light.
 - **A believer has god's wrath pulled off of their life; a believer accepts the son** John 3:36 Whoever **believes in the Son** has eternal life, but whoever rejects the Son will not see life, for **God's wrath remains on him**." God's wrath against sin is as unavoidable apart from Christ's sacrifice; we are without Jesus, like a target painted by a laser with a laser guided bomb headed its way, or a heat seeking missile locked on a jets engine, or a radar honing missile streaking toward an unsuspecting transmitter; or like swimming near blood when killer sharks lurk nearby. All are fatal, one is eternally fatal!
 6. **BELIEVER DRINKS CHRIST'S WATER OF LIFE; A BELIEVER HAS A SUPERNATURAL SOURCE OF LIVING WATER; DRINKERS ARE WORSHIPERS; & CHRIST IS OUR ONLY HOPE**
 - **A believer drinks Christ's water of life** John 4:10 Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water."
 - **A believer has a supernatural source of living water** John 4:14 but **whoever drinks the water I give him** will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give him **will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life**."
 - **Drinkers are worshipers** John 4:23 Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. 24 God is spirit, and **his worshipers** must worship in spirit and in truth." Fountain of youth
 - **A believer is convinced Christ is their only hope** John 4:39, 41-42

Many of the Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me everything I ever did." 41 And because of his words many more became believers. 42 They said to the woman, "We no longer believe just because of what you said; now we have heard for ourselves, and **we know that this man really is the Savior** of the world."

7. **A believer takes Christ at His Word** [John 4:50](#), 53 Jesus replied, "You may go. Your son will live." The man **took Jesus at His Word** and departed. 53 Then the father realized that this was the exact time at which Jesus had said to him, "Your son will live." So he and all his household believed.
8. **A believer hears, believes, crosses over, and does good** [John 5:21](#), 24, 28-29 For just as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, even so the Son gives life to whom he is pleased to give it. 24 "I tell you the truth, whoever **hears my word** and **believes him** who sent me has eternal life and will not be condemned; **he has crossed (metabaino = always departed 9x in Gospels) over** from death to life. 28 "Do not be amazed at this, for a time is coming when all who are in their graves will hear his voice 29 and come out— **those who have done good** will rise to live, and those who have done evil will rise to be **condemned**.
9. **A believer is one who securely comes to Jesus, looking to Jesus, believing Jesus, drawn to Jesus, PARTAKES (eats) Jesus, drinks Jesus, stays in Jesus** (Salvation equals abiding in Christ) [John 6:27,29,35,37,39-40,44,47,51,54,56](#)

- **A believer is one who securely comes to Jesus** [John 6:27](#), 29, 35, 37, 39-40, 44, 47, 51, 54, 56 Do not work for food that spoils, but for **food that endures to eternal life**, which the Son of Man will give you. On him God the Father has placed his seal of approval." 29 Jesus answered, "The work of God is this: to believe in the one he has sent." 35 Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. **He who comes to me** will never go hungry, and he who believes in me will never be thirsty. 37 All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never drive away. 39 And this is the will of him who sent me, that **I shall lose none of all that he has given me**, but raise them up at the last day.
- **A believer is one who is looking to Jesus and believing** [John 6:40](#) For my Father's will is that everyone who **looks to the Son** and **believes in Him** shall have eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day."
- **A believer is one who is drawn to Jesus** [John 6:44](#) "No one can come to me **unless the Father who sent Me draws him**, and I will raise him up at the last day. 47 I tell you the truth, he who believes has everlasting life.
- **A believer is one who PARTAKES - (eats) Jesus, drinks Jesus, stays in Jesus** (Salvation equals abiding in Christ) [John 6:51](#) I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If **anyone eats of this bread**, he will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world." 54 Whoever eats my flesh and **drinks my blood** has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day. 56 Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood **remains in me, and I in him**.

[1] Pink, Arthur, W., Exposition of the Gospel of John Volume 1. Grand Rapids, Michigan: Zondervan Publishing House, 1945, p. 65.

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