

Man On An Errand From Heaven

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Well, I'm gonna make some statements tonight, friends, that I hope will disturb some of you enough to wake you out of your spiritual slumber and keep you out of the flames of a burning hell. I know some of you don't believe in hell and if you don't believe in hell, it's because you may believe you're not bad enough to go there, but God requires perfection to get into his holy heaven and no one is perfect for my Bible says, "All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."

I stand before you tonight, friends, as a man on an errand from heaven because I have a message to you from the heart of God, from the word of God. I'm no extraterrestrial but a man like you are, a sinner like you are, but yet I'm on an errand from heaven because I stand before you tonight, friends, as a God-called preacher. God called me into the ministry of the Gospel of his dear Son Jesus and I'm here this evening to warn you of the great danger you are in right now, right at this very moment. If someone were to drop a stick of dynamite in our midst tonight, we'd all be blown to kingdom come, some to God's kingdom in heaven and others would be blown into a devil's hell. The kingdom of darkness is Satan's territory and if you are not born again, a born again believer in Christ Jesus, then I have bad news for you. If you were blown up tonight by dynamite, you'd go straight to the torments of hell.

I'm a man on an errand from heaven to tell you about another man who came to earth from heaven and his name is the Lord Jesus Christ. My message this evening, friends, is dynamite. I have a short fuse to deliver it and it's packed with the power of God's dunamis power of his Spirit. I believe God can get hold of someone here tonight in this message facing the reality of heaven and the reality of hell. You need to face it now, friends, or face it when you die but it'll be too late then to do you any good. I believe God is a dynamite God and he can blow you right off your false foundation this evening. He can turn your carnal security into smoke and ruins and ashes. He can explode the strongholds of the devil in your life and blow to smithereens the false refuges you have turned to.

The God I serve is mighty to save and he can save even you. Even if you're a hard case and you have a hard shell of unbelief, he can crack it and give you saving faith if he wants to for salvation is of God. He can save you or damn you and still be just and receive glory, bringing you to heaven or sending you to hell. My Bible says in the book of Jonah, "Salvation is of the Lord." I believe that. You can't save yourself, friend, because it's not in your power to save yourself. God has to do it.

Now, I'm on an errand from heaven and there are 10 things I want to confront you with while I'm here on this errand. Are you ready? You may want to jot these down. If you have a Bible with you, then write these things in the margin of your Bible or you kids can write them in the notes of your cellphones so long as you're not texting your friends during my message because you could go to bed tonight and be in hell tomorrow if you're not saved. I'm on an errand from heaven and I want to give you 10 statements tonight, friends, that can change the course of your life if you let them.

1. God is a God who must punish sin.
2. If you don't believe God will punish sin, then the God you believe in is not the God of the Bible.
3. Few are saved, most folks go to hell.
4. Salvation is in the hands of God and not men.
5. You must repent or go on to hell.
6. You must be born again through regeneration.
7. Nobody has ever been convicted of his sinfulness until he's been confronted with God's holiness.
8. You have to get lost before you can be saved.
9. You must come to Christ in utter surrender to his Lordship.
10. If you are saved, then you are changed and a new disposition of holiness has been implanted in you by the Spirit of God.

Now those are my 10 statements.

Let me take you to my Bible story tonight, friends. Jesus was speaking to a man called Nicodemus who was a religiously lost man. We find this story in the Gospel of John in chapter 3. This man Nicodemus was a trained scholar in Jewish law. He knew all about God but he didn't know God. Did you know, friend, there are people like that, that can know about God but not know him; they can know the word of God but not the God of the word? But listen to this man called Nicodemus because he was like that. He was a member of the Jewish church but he was an unsaved man and he came to see Jesus at night to ask him some questions. Maybe you, friend, have some unanswered questions about God yourself. Well, listen to this story, friends, as I relate it to you now.

- 1 There was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews: 2 The same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we

know that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him. 3 Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.

I will stop there, friends. That statement of Jesus covers it all. If you are not born again, then you cannot see the kingdom of God, you cannot see Christ, for he is hidden in the bosom of the Father and if you get saved, you must receive a revealed Christ.

Well, you ask, "Preacher, what must it mean to be born again? Tell us what that means." Well, I answer you, friend, with the following 10 statements I told you about. A born again person is a person who has met Christ and has experienced change. When Christ was here in his earthly ministry when he passed through towns and villages, those who encountered him experienced change. It is God who takes the heart of stone and makes it a heart of flesh through the new birth. If you are saved, friend, it's because God gave you saving faith. A saved individual is one who is born from above and washed in the blood of Christ Jesus.

Now I'm going to repeat those 10 statements to you again, friends, for your benefit. Listen closely.

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2. If you don't believe God will punish sin, then the God you believe in is not the God of the Bible.
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4. Salvation is in the hands of God and not men.
5. You must repent or go on to hell.
6. You must be born again through regeneration.
7. Nobody – hear me now – has ever been convicted of his sinfulness until he's been confronted with God's holiness.
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I believe I can back those statements up with my Bible, friends. Jesus said, "Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." Tonight, friends, like we say in the

South, I have given you the oil straight from the can of the Gospel of the Son of God without diluting it one drop. If you've only heard my voice tonight, friends, then you'd be no better, but if by his grace you hear his voice as it comes to you in power, authority, and majesty, then that's a different story, then there's hope for you.

Listen to the call of the Gospel, friend, Jesus said, "If I, and I be lifted up from the earth will draw all men unto me." Listen, friends, Jesus hung naked on a cross at a place called Calvary. He was crucified there for my sins as a substitute for sin. He bore the wrath of God upon him for the punishment of sin. He became a curse so I could escape that curse. He died for me. Come to that blood-stained Savior, friend, and see that man on that cross, "As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up." The cross is the place where wicked men sought to get rid of Jesus, but by his death it becomes the place where his saving power flows out to all who come in repentance, confessing they are sinners and own them as their Savior and Lord. Jesus said, "I am the Good Shepherd. The Good Shepherd giveth his life for the sheep." Listen to Jesus, friend, "I am the way, the truth, and the life; no man cometh unto the Father but by me."

Well, I'm gonna bring this message to a close, friend. I have told you I'm a man on an errand from heaven, talking about a man who came out of heaven so we could go up there, this man, Jesus, the Son of God who loved me and gave himself for me. I'm gonna sing an old hymn, friend, and as I sing it, I want you to come to Christ for salvation. If God's been dealing with your soul, if the Spirit of God's been speaking to you through Christ's words tonight, don't spurn Jesus. If he's calling, come now as I sing.

"I hear the savior say
Thy strength indeed is small
Child of weakness, watch and pray
Find in me thine all in all

Jesus paid it all
All to Him I owe
Sin had left a crimson stain
He washed it white as snow

Lord, now indeed I find
Thy power and thine alone
Can change the leper's spots
And melt the heart of stone

Jesus paid it all
All to Him I owe
Sin had left a crimson stain
He washed it white as snow

For nothing good have I
Whereby thy grace to claim

I'll wash my garments white
In the blood of Calvary's Lamb

Jesus paid it all
All to Him I owe
Sin had left a crimson stain
He washed it white as snow."