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"Salvation is Not Free"

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Christ said, "Blessed are the merciful For they will be shown mercy." Matthew 5:7 And he also said "Do not judge, or you will be judged. For in the same way you judge others, you will be judged, and with the measures you use, it will be measured to you." Matthew 7:1-2. Which we also find in Luke 6:37 "Do not judge and you will not be judged, Do not condemn and you will not be condemned. Forgive and you will be forgiven." see also Matthew 6:14-15 "For if you forgive men when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins."

James 1:22 "Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourself, Do what it says." That's the problem with us, today's churches pastors and Christians, we listen, but we don't follow. We deceive ourselves, we go to false prophets who lie to us, and tell us what we want to hear, not what we need to hear. Instead of truly following Christ, making him the center of our lives, priority number one. We reach out to preachers who turn and twist the teachings of Christ, so he can fit into our lives, where we can continue to live in sin and our worldly ways. And Christ warns about this in Matthew 7:15-23. He said there would be false teachers who cast out demons and do miracles in his name and prophesize, who he will deny even knowing. So he shows you hear that the church and preacher's hearts will be infiltrated by Satan to deceive you. And that's the problem with today's churches. They have

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clearly been infiltrated by evil. They are deceiving their parishioners, for financial gain and power. For their treasures are here on earth, in the million dollar mega churches that they build, and fill full of the foolish who follow blindly behind them. And my brothers and sisters this is a warning to you. Do not surrender yourself to man and his lies, because he's filling your head with pretty words, telling you what you want to hear. Christ said "If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me." Matthew 16:24, see also Mark 8:34 and Luke 9:23 also Luke 14:33 where Jesus says "In the same way, any of you who does not give up everything he has cannot be my disciples." Christ said in Luke 16:13 "No servant can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money." This is exactly what today's Christians are trying to do. And their doing it, because their being misled by Satan himself who has infiltrated the hearts of these preachers, and their churches. Wake up, open your bibles stop following blindly behind men. The word says what it says, and means what it says, and when someone tries to start saying it means this that or the other, look at their motivation for trying to twist and change the scriptures. I've found most churches lack the qualities of Christ. They lack mercy, compassion, love, forgiveness and instead, are afflicted with satanic qualities of judgment, condemnation, greed, and the impure sinful qualities that should not

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be in the Church or the lives of Christians.
see Ephesians 5:1-7.

¹ Be imitators of God, therefore, as dearly loved children, ² and live a life of love, just as Christ loved us, and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. ³ But among you there must not be even a hint of sexual immorality, or of any kind of impurity, or of greed, because they are improper for God's holy people.

⁴ Nor should there be obscenity, foolish talk or coarse joking, which are out of place, but rather thanksgiving.

⁵ For of this you can be sure: no immoral, impure or greedy person - such a man is an idolater - has any inheritance in the Kingdom of Christ and of God.

⁶ Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of such things God's wrath comes on those who are disobedient. Therefore do not be partners with them.

Those Christians who are reading this should continue on in their Bibles reading verses 8-21. But they should also read Ephesians 4:17-32 which tells you how a true Christian should live.

There's no half-stepping in Christianity, there's no gray area. You either live in the light, or you live in the dark. You live a righteous productive life or you wallow in sin. You see because a person is justified by what he or she does, and not by faith alone." James 2:24. Yes obedience comes from faith see Romans 1:5 so faith and obedience goes hand in hand. One is no good without the other. One cannot be obedient without faith, and one cannot have true faith without obedience. Yes we can be obedient to sin or righteousness. see Romans 6:16-23

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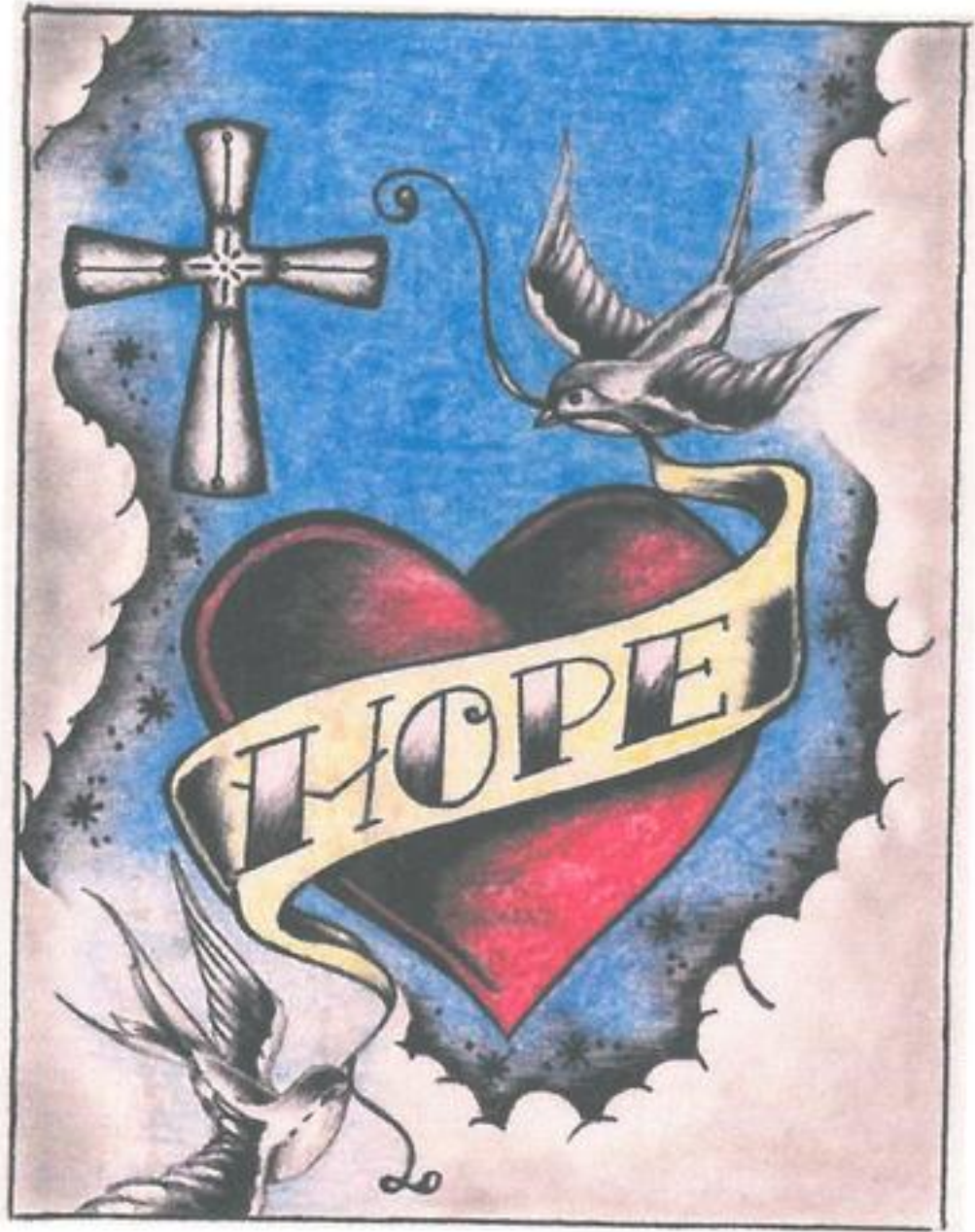
For the wages of sin is death but the gift of God through the obedience of Christ is eternal life.

This is no Free gift. you earn eternal life by being obedient to Christ!" you earn this by denying your sinful nature and following him!" And if you doubt that, you just read what Christ said in Mt 7:15-23 and Mt. 25:31-46. If you think it's Free, you're going to find yourself right there where he's saying "I don't know you evil doer; away from me. Mt 7:23. And you're going to be standing right there on his left rejected in a puddle of tears. Mt 25:41-46. All because you followed blindly behind a preacher and church that has been infiltrated by Satan. Because they are clearly misrepresenting the teachings of Christ, leading people astray, selling the blood and suffering of Christ treating it in an unholy way. Wake up! Stop being deceived by these charismatic men who are luring you in with these pretty deceptive teachings and their big beautiful mega churches for you are being partners with disobedient men whose not serving Christ, but whose serving Satan, and leading you over to the dark side. Where you will be left with them saying Lord Lord but I know you, and he will simply say, "I know you not!" Psalms 118:8 "It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in man." And remember your life is not yours it was bought and paid for through the blood and suffering of Christ.

In Peace + Love
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