

The Gospel of Truth (Shorter Version)

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved. (John 3:16-17)

We are all here **under condemnation in rebellion against God**, condemned to the death of the soul.

We have all gone astray like sheep:

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; (Isa 53:6)

But God has provided us with **a way back, redemption out of condemnation**, with the

promise of eternal life in his Son, whose name in Hebrew is Yeshua ('he will save').

All who believe on the Son have eternal life. All who do not believe continue under the wrath of God:

He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him. (John 3:36)

There is **only one way to be reconciled with God**, by belief in the Son. All things are in his hands:

Yeshua saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me. (John 14:6)

The Father loveth the Son, and hath given all things into his hand. (John 3:35)

He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.

These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God. (1 Jo 5:12-13)

His Son is the door, the only door to God:

Then said Yeshua unto them again, Verily, verily, I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep.

All that ever came before me are thieves and robbers: but the sheep did not hear them.

I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.

The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that

they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly. (John 10:7-10)

Yeshua is our high priest

Now of the things which we have spoken this is the sum: We have such an high priest, who is set on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens;

A minister of the sanctuary, and of the true tabernacle, which the Lord pitched, and not man. (Heb 8:1-2)

He can save to the uttermost those that come to God by him:

But this man, because he continueth ever, hath an unchangeable priesthood.

Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he

“I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation!”
(Hab 3:18)

ever liveth to make intercession for them.

For such an high priest became us, who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and made higher than the heavens. (Heb 7:24-26)

We are saved by his name alone

Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, even by him doth this man stand here before you whole...

Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved. (Ac 4:10-12)

What is his name?

Who hath ascended up into heaven, or descended? who hath gathered the wind in his

fists? who hath bound the waters in a garment? who hath established all the ends of the earth? what is his name, and what is his son's name, if thou canst tell? (Pr 30:4)

The name which is given in English translations of the 'New Testament' (which was written in Greek) is Jesus.

The translated name hides the meaning of the Hebrew name, which is Yeshua which means "he will save".

The word Christ means 'anointed' and is equivalent to Messias in Greek which is in turn equivalent to 'Ha' Maschiach' ('the anointed') in Hebrew.

The Son has been sanctified (cleansed from sin, made holy)

"Thy people also shall be all righteous: they shall inherit the land for ever, the branch of my planting, the work of my hands, that I may be glorified." (Isa 60:21)

and sent into the world so that we may also be cleansed from sin

Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth. As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world.

And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth. (John 17:17-19)

Say ye of him, whom the Father hath sanctified, and sent into the world, Thou blasphemest; because I said, I am the Son of God? (John 10:36)

What is sin?

The bible says a lot about sin, and is the best reference source to define it. But in brief, **sin is transgression of**

God's law. The word 'sin' in Hebrew means 'to miss the mark', to fall short of what God expects of us. It is to miss the goal or target - or even to rebel, reject or ignore God's standards.

We can think of sin as the opposite of righteousness. Righteousness is living within God's just and right standards, while sin is failing to live by those standards.

These six things doth the Lord hate: yea, seven are an abomination unto him:

A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood,

An heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief,

"The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance." (2 Pe 3:9)

A false witness that speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren. (Prov 6:16-19)

Yeshua's blood cleans us from sin

This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all.

If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth:

But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all

unrighteousness. (1 Jo 1:5-9)

Yeshua fulfills many prophesies in the 'Old Testament'

Scripture shows us things to come; much of it is prophesy, of which some has yet to be fulfilled. The fact that prophesy comes true (scripture 'cannot be broken') is proof that it is of God, the only God who is able to declare the end from the beginning, and the things that have not yet come to pass:

Remember the former things of old: for I am God, and there is none else; I am God, and there is none like me, Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure: (Isa 46:9-10)

And again ...

"The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple."
(Ps 19:7)

Who hath wrought and done it, calling the generations from the beginning? I the Lord, the first, and with the last; I am he. (Isa 41:4)

No other ‘god’ is able to declare the things to come:

Let them bring them forth, and shew us what shall happen: let them shew the former things, what they be, that we may consider them, and know the latter end of them; or declare us things for to come.

Shew the things that are to come hereafter, that we may know that ye are gods: yea, do good, or do evil, that we may be dismayed, and behold it together.

Behold, ye are of nothing, and your work of nought: an abomination is he that chooseth you. (Isa 41:22-24)

Yeshua came to fulfil the law:

Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil. (Mt 5:17)

He fulfilled many prophecies and in particular was the sacrifice for sin prophesied in the ‘Old Testament’, bearing our iniquities:

For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: he hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see him, there is no beauty that we should desire him.

He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our

“Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.”
(2 Pe 3:13)

sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.

But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.

He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth.

He was taken from prison and from judgment: and who shall declare his generation? for he was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgression

of my people was he stricken. (Isa 53:2-10)

Yeshua is the 'Lamb of God', as prophesied by Abraham and witnessed by John the Baptist:

And Abraham said, My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering: so they went both of them together. (Ge 22:8)

The next day John seeth Yeshua coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world. (John 1:29)

What is meant by the 'Lamb of God'?

It references the fact that Yeshua is the Passover lamb that **God has chosen for His House**, in accordance with Exodus 12:

Speak ye unto all the congregation of Israel, saying, In the tenth day of

"I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." (John 14:6)

this month [Abib] they shall take to them every man a lamb, according to the house of their fathers, a lamb for an house:

...

Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year: ye shall take it out from the sheep, or from the goats:

And ye shall keep it up until the fourteenth day of the same month: and the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it in the evening. (Ex 12:3-6)

The Lamb of God is God's chosen lamb, for His household

He is our 'Passover', sacrificed for us

Yeshua rose on the third day, being the 'firstfruits' from the dead.

And it was the preparation of the passover, and about the sixth hour: and he

"I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep." (John 10:11)

saith unto the Jews, Behold your King! (John 19:14)

Then delivered he him therefore unto them to be crucified. And they took Yeshua, and led him away. (John 19:16)

Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even Christ our passover is sacrificed for us. (1 Cor 5:7)

But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept.

For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits;

afterward they that are Christ's at his coming.

Then cometh the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power.
(1 Co 15:20-24)

To have eternal life, we must be born again of the Spirit

Yeshua answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. (John 3:5-6)

Whoever asks for the Holy Spirit will receive it

Ask, and it shall be given to you. Seek and ye shall find.

“O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: fear before him, all the earth.” (Ps 96:9)

And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you.

For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if he ask a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent?

Or if he shall ask an egg, will he offer him a scorpion?

If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him? (Lu 11:9-13)

Yeshua is the light of the world, without him we can do nothing:

I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman.

Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit.

Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you.

Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me.

*I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: **for without me ye can do nothing.***

If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned. (1 John 15:1-6)

We ought to walk as he walked

He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked. (1 Jo 2:6)

Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.

And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure. (1 Jo 3:2-3)

We should share what we have with those who have not

But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him? (1 Jo 3:16-17)

“The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy is understanding.” (Pr 9:10)

Love not the world, it is passing away

Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.

And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever. (1 Jo 2:15-17)

No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and his love is perfected in us.

Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his Spirit.

And we have seen and do testify that the Father sent

the Son to be the Saviour of the world.

Whosoever shall confess that Yeshua is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him, and he in God.

And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him.

Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world.

There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love.

We love him, because he first loved us. (1 Jo 4:12-19)

True belief

All who truly believe in name of the Son of God, have passed from

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condemnation ('the second death') to eternal life:

Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life. (John 5:24)

All who believe have everlasting life:

He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him. (John 3:36)

Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me hath everlasting life. (John 6:47)

True belief requires obedience to God, seeking the honour that comes from God, rather

than that which comes from man:

How can ye believe, which receive honour one of another, and seek not the honour that cometh from God only? (John 5:44)

Each of us needs to 'work out our own salvation with fear and trembling' (Php 2:12), something that requires us to **search the scriptures for ourselves**. **We cannot 'outsource' this**. The last words any of us what to hear are "I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity." (Mt 7:23)

If we truly believe in our heart, we will be 'born again of the spirit', and we will become 'righteous' and be 'sanctified' (holy, as He is holy).

Here is Romans 10:

"How can ye believe, which ... seek not the honour that cometh from God only? (John 5:44)

If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Yeshua, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.

For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed.

For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him. For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. (Ro 10:9-13)

Today is the day of salvation, none of us is promised tomorrow.....

If you have not done so, today is the day to repent before God and to ask for His Holy

Spirit, to be sanctified by the blood of His Son.

There is an End, a day that burns as an oven, when it will be too late to be saved

For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the Lord of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch.

But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall.

And ye shall tread down the wicked; for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet in the day that I shall do this, saith the Lord of hosts. (Mal 4:1-3)

“O that they were wise, that they understood this, that they would consider their latter end!” (De 32:29)

The Gospel must be preached to the ends of the earth, and then the End will come

And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come. (Mt 24:14)

The Gospel is going around the world fast via the internet.
Therefore, do not put off turning to God. **There is no time to waste.**

The Book of Life

There is a 'Book of Life' of those who will inherit eternal life:

He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels. (Rev 3:5)

All who are not named in the Book of Life, are thrown into the Lake of Fire

And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire. (Rev 20:15)

Question

Why does every single one of the 8 billion people in the world not tremble at this thought?

We should be trembling. But the reality is, many - or even most - of us have never even heard of the Book of Life. Nor for that matter, have we heard of the Lake of Fire.

Whether or not our names and the names of everyone that we know are in the Book of Life is actually the only thing that matters.

"In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths." (Pr 3:6)