

WHO
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YOU



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God originally created man after His own image. **(Gen 1:26-28)** And the first commandment that God gave to Adam was to have dominion over the whole earth, and to subdue it and to govern it. God crowned man the prince of this world and it is only through the disobedience of Adam that Satan stole that title, and took his authority and became the prince of the world, and because of that, sin and death entered into the world. **(2Cor 4:4)**

“Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned.” **(Rom 5:12)**



This was not an instant physical death, but it was a spiritual death. Spiritual death actually means separation from God. The Bible says that the devil is a liar from the beginning.

“He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources, for he is a liar and the father of it.” (John 8:44)

Therefore, after the fall of Adam, all men were born into sin.

“He who sins is of the devil, for the devil has sinned from the beginning. For this purpose, the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.” (1 John 3:8)

This verse explains why Jesus came to redeem man from his sin nature.





Through His sacrifice, Jesus won the dominion back from the devil.

“Who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness—by whose stripes you were healed.” (1 Pet 2:24) “And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.” (Mat 28:18)

The devil was not destroyed, but his dominion and rule over man and over the earth was destroyed. For Christians this is the most important fact to acknowledge in the New Testament, otherwise we are going to think that we are still under the enemy’s oppression and power. Jesus bridged the gap between God and man by conquering sin.

“For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him” (2 Cor 5:21).

Remember, the spiritual death of Adam meant separation from God. But Jesus reconciled man to God through His sacrifice on the cross. **(Ro 5:10)**

This is a very important point to understand. Through faith in the sacrifice of Jesus, man can now be back in full relationship with his Father.

“Which He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places, far above all principality and power and might and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in that which is to come. And He put all things under His feet, and gave Him to be head over all things to the church.” (Eph 1:20 - 22)

God has positioned Jesus above ALL. He is the head and we are His body; we're not separate. We are ONE and therefore we are in the same position of authority. The enemy has been unarmed from all authority and dominion.





God made a promise of BLESSING to Abraham in Deuteronomy 28. And that promise has now been passed on to us through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ.

“That the blessing of Abraham might come upon the gentiles in Christ Jesus, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.” (Gal 3:14)

Jesus was the first partaker of the Spirit! Then to all who believe in Him after the day of Pentecost; and what is the Holy Spirit for? It is given for miraculous power to witness, and to bring the kingdom of God on earth as it is in heaven.

“For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. And if you are Christ’s, then you are Abraham’s seed, and heirs according to the promise.” (Gal 3:26, 27, 29)

This means that we are heirs of the promise of the Spirit just like Christ was and is! So as heirs, we got what He got! And therefore, we should be able to do what He did!

Since we are heirs by what Jesus did for us, we get the same inheritance as Jesus!

“But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying out, ‘Abba, Father!’ Therefore, you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.” (Gal 4:4-7)

Again, this is so important to understand. That we are actually joint heirs with Christ. That means that we have the same power to set the captives free from all oppressions of the devil. Joint heirs means that we get the full inheritance, one hundred percent of whatever He has. Not only part of it.



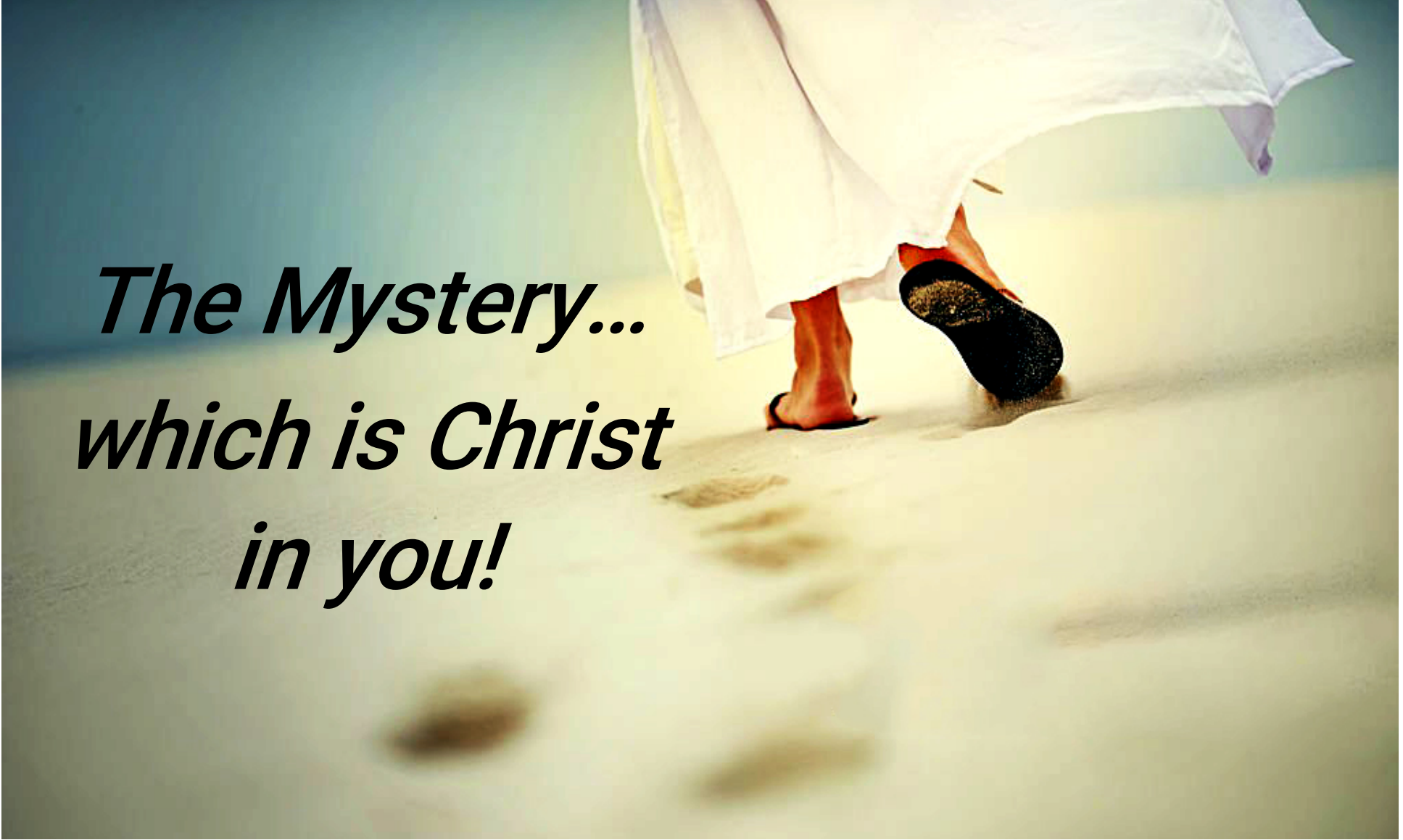
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However, we are to grow up to be conformed to the same exact image of Christ in this world. Not in the world to come. **HERE** and **NOW** is when we need the **POWER**, not in the world to come.

“Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness in the Day of Judgment; because as He is, so are we in this world.” (1 John 4:17) “For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily; and you are complete in Him, who is the head of all principality and power.” (Col 2:9, 10)

So, realizing who we are in Christ and the power that has been given us is the key to us understanding the life that Jesus intended for us to live as His followers. Not only are we complete in Him, but we are also empowered by His Spirit to do what He has done.

Paul, the apostle was preaching in all of his epistles about the revelation that He received from Jesus about the “mystery” of the gospel.



***The Mystery...
which is Christ
in you!***

*“To them God willed to make known what are the riches of the glory of this mystery among the gentiles: which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.”
(Col 1:27)*

He said: “How that by revelation He made known to me the mystery (as I have briefly written already, by which, when you read, you may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ), which in other ages was not made known to the sons of men, as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to

His holy apostles and prophets: that the Gentiles should be fellow heirs, of the same body, and partakers of His promise in Christ through the gospel.” (Eph 3:3- 6)

Most Christians understand that at the new birth, Jesus comes to live in their heart, and consequently they have eternal life. However, to understand the true depth of what was done at the new birth, is not something that most Christians fully grasp. Jesus not only lives in us, God's Spirit dwells in us and Jesus has given us His name and His authority to use as we will.

And therefore, all principalities and powers are subjugated to us. We are His body and He the head. We are one as He is one in the Father.



New Birth ... New Creation!

This is exactly what Jesus explained to the believers who followed Him.

“And He said to them, Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned. And these signs will follow those who believe: In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues; they will take up serpents; and if they drink anything deadly, it will by no means hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover.”

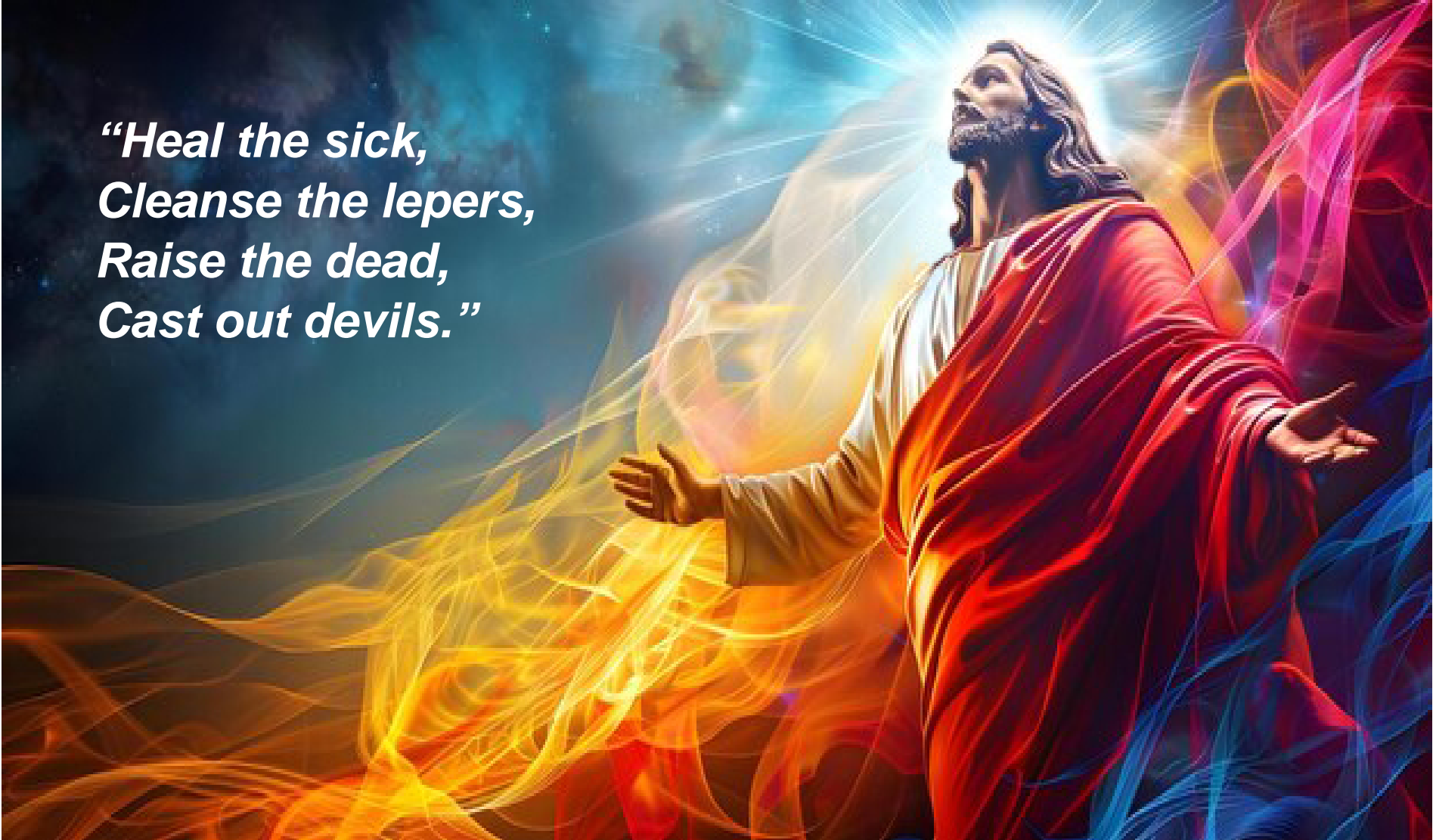
“So then, after the Lord had spoken to them, He was received up into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of God. And they went out and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them and confirming the word through the accompanying signs.” (Mk 16:15- 20)

So this means that any believer can and should be manifesting these signs and miracles!



Notice that Jesus did not tell them to PRAY for the sick. He said, *“Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, and raise the dead, cast out devils.”* (Mat 10:8) These are all authoritative commands. Jesus said:

“All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.” (Mat 28:18, 19)



***“Heal the sick,
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Cast out devils.”***

So, if Jesus has ALL power, that means the devil has NONE. And if Jesus commanded us to walk as He walked (1 Jn 2:6), then it must be possible for us to do the same things He did.

“Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and greater works than these he will do, because I go to My Father.” (John 14:12).

Jesus reclaimed dominion over the earth and gave it back to believers along with the

authority to subjugate the devil, and He promised to send us the power of the Holy Spirit to help us.

“But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”

(Ac 1:8)

The power of the Holy Spirit is miraculous power.

“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new. Now all things are of God, who has reconciled us to Himself through Jesus

Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation.” (2 Cor 5:17, 18)



This means that the same ministry of reconciling all things unto God has been given to us. Along with the authority,

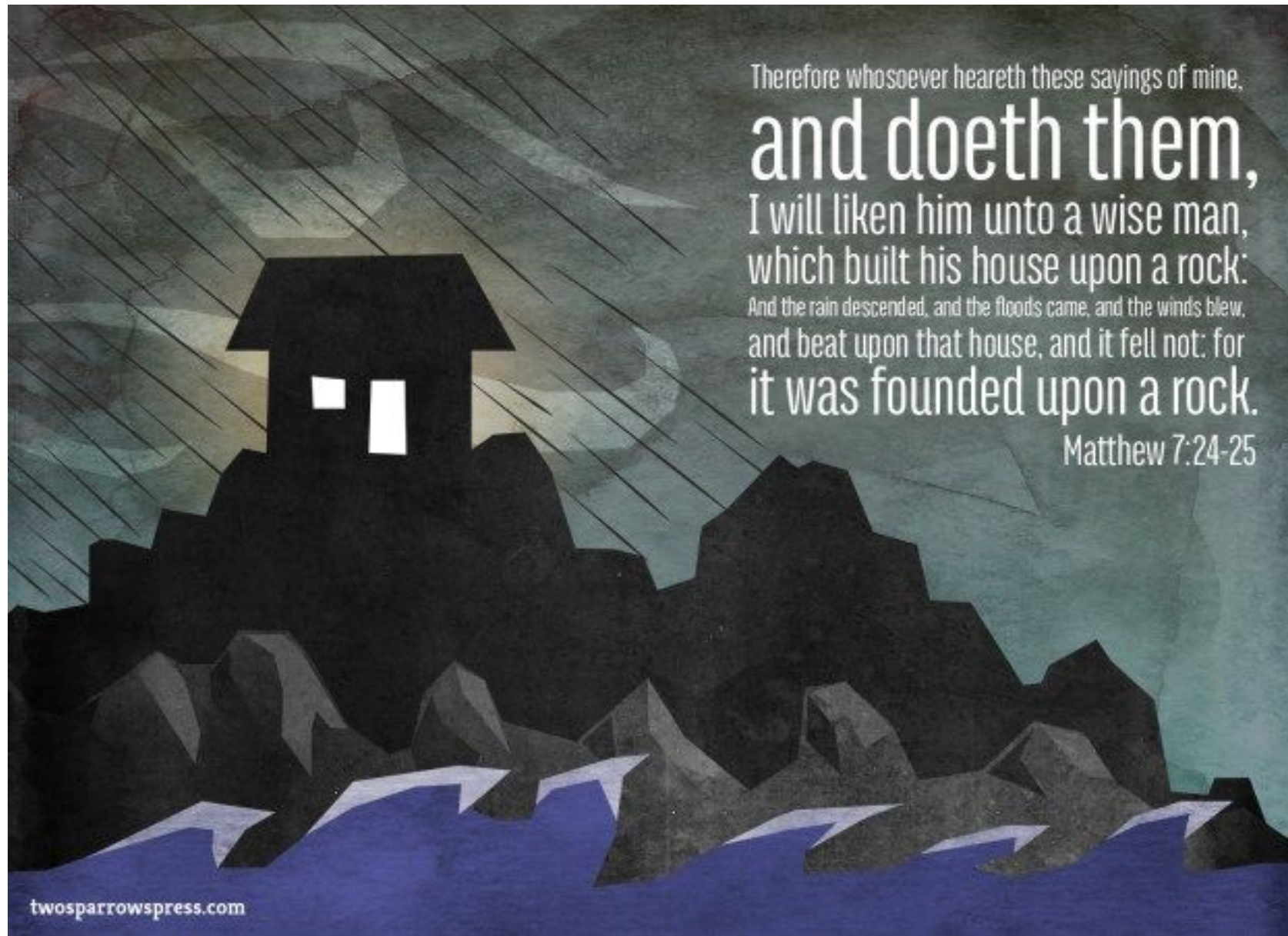
the power and the name of Jesus to do it with. But the key words are to DO IT. It's not enough to know about it, or to hear about it. This is why Jesus kept insisting on being DOERS of His Word and not hearers only, thus deceiving ourselves.

Jesus made a very clear distinction between HEARING and DOING. He said,

“Therefore, whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and DOES them, I will liken him to a WISE MAN who built his house on the ROCK: and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it did NOT fall, for it was founded on the rock.

But everyone who hears these sayings of Mine, and DOES NOT do them, will be like a FOOLISH MAN

who built his house on the SAND and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it fell. And GREAT was its fall.” (Mat 7:24-27)

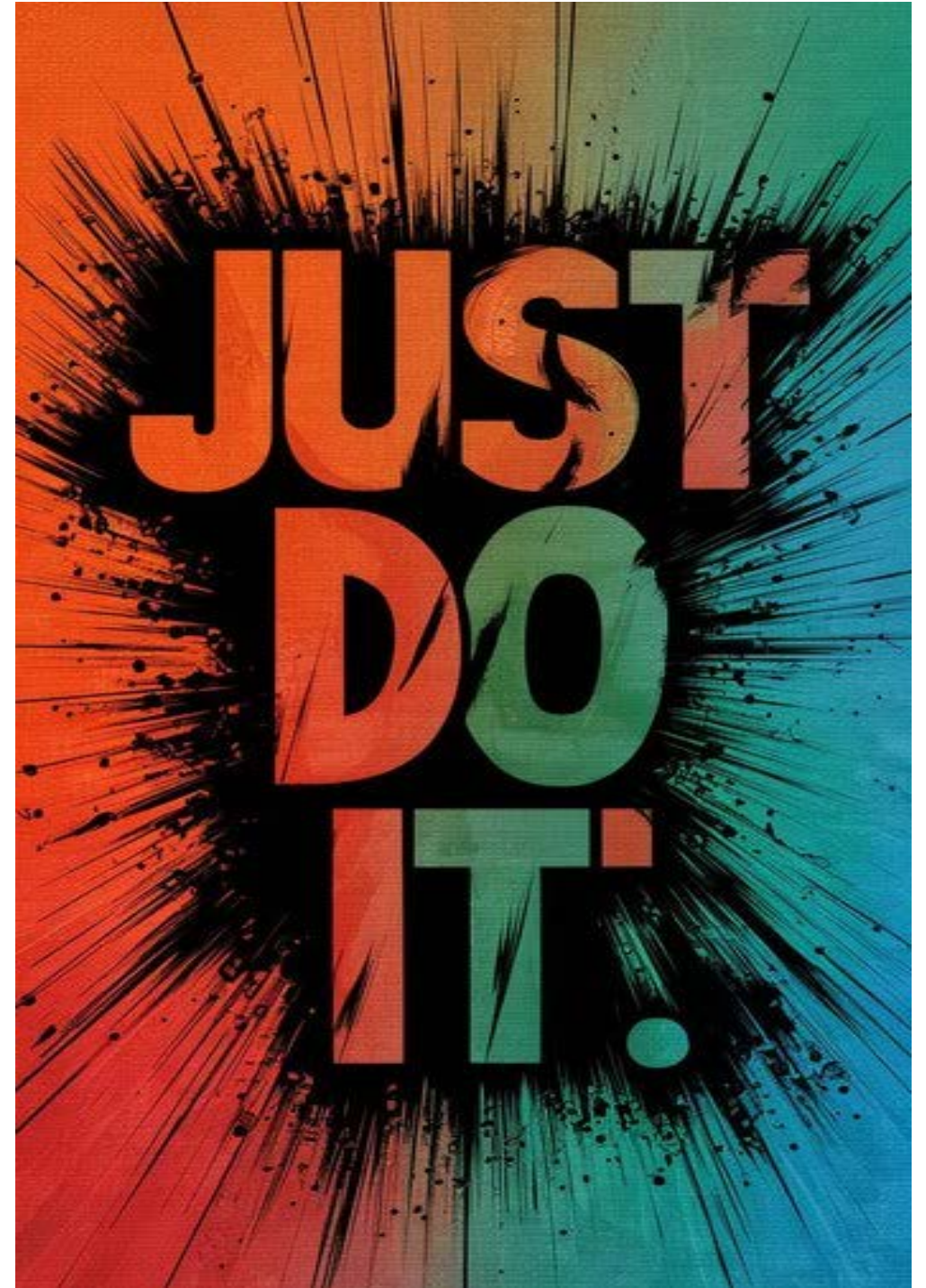


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it was founded upon a rock.
Matthew 7:24-25

In other words, the DOING is the most important part of the Christian life. How much like the devil to blind Christians into believing that if only they hear the Word, it'll be sufficient. But not so! We were predestined by God, before the foundation of the world, to rule here on this earth, to take care of the works of His hands, to replenish the earth with His image (make disciples of all nations), to subdue the earth (by destroying the works of the devil) and have dominion over all things.

This is what Jesus paid a mighty price for. To bring not only man, but the earth back into full reconciliation to God. This is why Paul was so adamant in teaching:

“That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him, the eyes of your understanding being enlightened; (opened), that you may know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, and what is the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power which He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places, far above all principality and power and might and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in that which is to come. And He put all things under His feet, and gave Him to be head over all things to the church, which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all.” (Eph 1:17 - 23)





So, for all who desire to be disciples of Jesus, let this be the ruling principle before reading His Word. We must understand who we are in Christ and the power that He has given to us through the redemption of the cross. We have been given the keys of the kingdom, which is to bind and to lose on earth and to know that heaven will back us up accordingly. We have the full power and authority in us through His name, IF we will DO IT.



You can have salvation at this very moment. It is the gift of God. It's free; you only have to be willing to receive it. If you haven't done it yet, please pray this simple prayer:

"Jesus, please forgive all my faults and sin. I believe that You are the Son of God and that You died for me. I invite You into my heart and life. Thank you for your gift of eternal life and please fill me with Your Holy Spirit so I can change my ways and make a difference for good in others' lives. And help me to read and understand Your Word as I want to know You better and follow You more closely. Amen."

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