

Putting words into the mouth of
The Lord Jesus Christ

Part Two

(Delusion)

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Meditating on the Bible

Jeremiah 7:1-4

The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying, Stand in the gate of the Lord's house, and proclaim there this word, and say, Hear the word of the LORD, all ye of Judah, that enter in at these gates to worship the LORD.

Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, Amend your ways and your doings, and I will cause you to dwell in this place. Trust ye not in lying words, saying, The temple of the LORD, The temple of the LORD, The temple of the LORD, are these.

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**Matthew 24:23-27**

Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not. For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect. Behold, I have told you before.

Wherefore if they shall say unto you, Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth: behold, he is in the secret chambers; believe it not. For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

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I am sitting here, thinking about the mission that I seem to have been given. My thought is not a positive one. The question that plagues my mind is this: just how far does the following Scripture stretch?

*For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way. And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming: Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish;*

*because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved.*  
(2 Thessalonians 2:7-10)

I am wondering; how many of the four, or more, billion not-professing-Christianity individuals that Scripture touches? There is, too, a quieter, but, more troubling, thought, which is inspired by this question: What will be the signs of those who "*received not the love of the truth*"? Does this mean anyone who does not . . .

In case you are wondering about the pause . . . It is because; that question carried me to a certain revelation that was given to the apostle Paul . . .

*And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie: That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness.*  
(2 Thessalonians 2:11-12)

All of a sudden; I do not think that it is of such importance to ponder the not-professing-Christianity group of people. This is my thought because; the ones that are in that group are most likely to not be interested in learning enough about Christ, such that, they could experience a delusion, in this area. Wherefore the ones that are my major concern are those people that are in the professing-Christianity group. This is where my anguish begins.

And, so, I am reminded of the following observation of the apostle Paul.

*Do ye not know that they which minister about holy things live of the things of the temple? and they which wait at the altar are partakers with the altar? Even so hath the Lord ordained that they which preach the gospel should live of the gospel. But I have used none of these things: neither have I written these things, that it should be so done unto me: for it were better for me to die, than that any man should make my glorying void.*

*For though I preach the gospel, I have nothing to glory of: for necessity is laid upon me; yea, woe is unto me, if I preach not the gospel! For if I do this thing willingly, I have a reward: but if against my will, a dispensation of the gospel is committed unto me.*

*What is my reward then?  
Verily that, when I preach the gospel, I may make the gospel of Christ without charge, that I abuse not my power in the gospel.*

(1 Corinthians 9:13-18)

The dispensation that presses on me, in the fashion as the apostle Paul's pressed on him, is, too, *against my will*. At its core, it contains this call: to prevent people from

putting words into the mouth of the Lord Jesus Christ. The best way to do this, for me, is to analyze the actual words of Jesus Christ, and point out the delusions that must be avoided, as indicated in those words. We will do this in sections. Let us get started.

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Here, Jesus says that; he and God are in the same philosophical and theological wave of Grace, in the Spirit.

Then came the Jews round about him, and said unto him, How long dost thou make us to doubt? If thou be the Christ, tell us plainly.

Jesus answered them, I told you, and ye believed not: the works that I do in my Father's name, they bear witness of me. But ye believe not, because ye are not of my sheep, as I said unto you. My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand. My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand.

I and my Father are one.

(John 10:24-30)

Having heard this; some of the listeners reacted aggressively. Let us see how Jesus handles that.

Then the Jews took up stones again to stone him.

Jesus answered them, Many good works have I shewed you from my Father; for which of those works do ye stone me?

The Jews answered him, saying, For a good work we stone thee not; but for blasphemy; and because that thou, being a man, makest thyself God.

(John 10:31-33)

At this point in the reading, there are some modern voices that are more than willing to say the equivalent of; "Duh; Jesus is God." Rather than accept that assessment; let us go further, and review what Jesus says that he meant.

Jesus answered them, Is it not written in your law, I said, Ye are gods?

If he called them gods, unto whom the word of God came, and the scripture cannot be broken; 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?

If I do not the works of my Father, believe me not. But if I do, though ye believe not me, believe the works: that ye may know, and believe, that the Father is in me, and I in him.

(John 10:34-38)

Two things are stressed by Jesus.

First: Jesus said; *I am the Son of God.*

Second: Jesus tells how we must connect him to the Father: *believe the works.*

Jesus did not say: I am the Father God. The designation, as being the Father God, is reserved for the One THAT said this.

A son honoureth his father, and a servant his master: if then I be a father, where is mine honour? and if I be a master, where is my fear? saith the LORD of hosts unto you, O priests, that despise my name. And ye say, Wherein have we despised thy name?

(Malachi 1:6)

That is truth . . . Though (please, brace for potential confusion); Jesus, in name, is, too, both, a God, and, a Father. Thus says the prophet Isaiah . . .

The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light: they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined. Thou hast multiplied the nation, and not increased the joy: they joy before thee according to the joy in harvest, and as men rejoice when they divide the spoil. For thou hast broken the yoke of his burden, and the staff of his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, as in the day of Midian. For every battle of the warrior is with confused noise, and garments rolled in blood; but this shall be with burning and fuel of fire.

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder:

and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor,

The mighty God,

The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever.

The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.

(Isaiah 9:2-7)

And beyond Isaiah, there is a cloud of witnesses, attesting that; Jesus, in name, is

both, a God, and, a Father.

The Lord sent a word into Jacob, and it hath lighted upon Israel. And all the people shall know, even Ephraim and the inhabitant of Samaria, that say in the pride and stoutness of heart, The bricks are fallen down, but we will build with hewn stones: the sycamores are cut down, but we will change them into cedars.

(Isaiah 9:8-10)

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Do not equate, the duality of attribute that is within Jesus, as being, the fact of the Unity that is the LORD God the Father. The superiority of the Father God must be primary, in all souls of man . . . and far beyond.

*Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD: And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might.*

*And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.*

*And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes.*

(Deuteronomy 6:4-8)

The persistence of that reverence must also be sealed in all structures that we construct on this earth.

*And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house, and on thy gates.*

(Deuteronomy 6:9)

Thereby, our constructs will radiate a lesson that shines the light of the Father God, *the LORD of hosts* . . . first and foremost.

*And thou shalt write them upon the door posts of thine house, and upon thy gates: That your days may be multiplied, and the days of your children, in the land which the LORD sware unto your fathers to give them, as the days of heaven upon the earth.*

(Deuteronomy 11:20-21)

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