Gospel Remedy

What if someone calls you a hypocrite?

Christianity is not a collection of Christians. Christianity is Jesus.

The Church is a hospital for sinners not a country club for saints.

Unclouding the Gospel Message.

There is a Remedy for unbelievers and believers who feel like they are stuck.

Introduction

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Text: [Jhn 5:2-13 KJV] 2 Now there is at Jerusalem by the sheep [market] a pool, which is called in the Hebrew tongue Bethesda, having five porches. 3 In these lay a great multitude of impotent folk, of blind, halt, withered, waiting for the moving of the water. 4 For an angel went down at a certain season into the pool, and troubled the water: whosoever then first after the troubling of the water stepped in was made whole of whatsoever disease he had. 5 And a certain man was there, which had an infirmity thirty and eight years. 6 When Jesus saw him lie, and knew that he had been now a long time [in that case], he saith unto him, Wilt thou be made whole? 7 The impotent man answered him, Sir, I have no man, when the water is troubled, to put me into the pool: but while I am coming, another steppeth down before me. 8 Jesus saith unto him, Rise, take up thy bed, and walk. 9 And immediately the man was made whole, and took up his bed, and walked: and on the same day was the sabbath. 10 The Jews therefore said unto him that was cured, It is the sabbath day: it is not lawful for thee to carry [thy] bed. 11 He answered them, He that made me whole, the same said unto me, Take up thy bed, and walk. 12 Then asked they him, What man is that which said unto thee, Take up thy bed, and walk? 13 And he that was healed wist not who it was: for Jesus had conveyed himself away, a multitude being in [that] place.

A place of Desperation. We cannot change until ...

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No hope from a Human prospective

No Hope

[Rev 20:14-15 KJV] 14 And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. 15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

[Exo 32:31-33 KJV] 31 And Moses returned unto the LORD, and said, Oh, this people have sinned a great sin, and have made them gods of gold. 32 Yet now, if thou wilt forgive their sin--; and if not, blot me, I pray thee, out of thy book which thou hast written. 33 And the LORD said unto Moses, Whosoever hath sinned against me, him will I blot out of my book.

[Exo 32:31-33 NLT] 31 So Moses returned to the LORD and said, "Oh, what a terrible sin these people have committed. They have made gods of gold for themselves. 32 But now, if you will only forgive their sin--but if not, erase my name from the record you have written!" 33 But the LORD replied to Moses, "No, I will erase the name of everyone who has sinned against me.

Delima

Many are waiting

The first one to get in the water after the angel troubles the waters gets healed.

John 5:4 For an angel went down at a <u>certain season</u> into the pool, and troubled the water: whosoever then first after the troubling of the water stepped in was made whole of whatsoever disease he had.

Jesus Said:

[Jhn 14:6 NLT] 6 Jesus told him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. <u>No one can come to the Father</u> except through me.

[1Co 2:14 KJV] 14 But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know [them], because they are spiritually discerned.

Discouraged

Consequences of Sin: This man had been sick for 38 years and it was due to sin.

John 5:5 And a certain man was there, which had an infirmity thirty and eight years.

[Jhn 5:14 KJV] 14 Afterward Jesus findeth him in the temple, and said unto him, Behold, thou art made whole: <u>sin no more</u>, lest a worse thing come unto thee.

[Luk 22:41-42 KJV] 41 And he was withdrawn from them about a stone's cast, and kneeled down, and prayed, 42 Saying, Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done.

[1Ki 19:4, 9-10 KJV] 4 But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a juniper tree: and he requested for himself that he might die; and said, It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life; for I [am] not better than my fathers. ... 9 And he came thither unto a cave, and lodged there; and, behold, the word of the LORD [came] to him, and he said unto him, What doest thou here, Elijah? 10 And he said, I have been very jealous for the LORD God of hosts: for the children of Israel have forsaken thy covenant, thrown down thine altars, and slain thy prophets with the sword; and I, [even] I only, am left; and they seek my life, to take it away.

More Consequences

[Num 14:34 NLT] 34 "Because your men explored the land for forty days, you must wander in the wilderness for forty years--a year for each day, suffering the consequences of your sins. Then you will discover what it is like to have me for an enemy.'

Discovered

6 When Jesus saw him lie, and knew that he had been now a long time [in that case], he saith unto him, Wilt thou be made whole?

[Jhn 5:6 NLT] 6 When Jesus saw him and knew he had been ill for a long time, he asked him, "Would you like to get well?"

[Jhn 6:37 KJV] 37 All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out.

[Jhn 7:37-38 KJV] 37 In the last day, that great [day] of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink. 38 He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.

Defeated

The man felt hopeless to get healed. He believed No Man was willing to help him when the waters were troubled by the angel.

7 The impotent man answered him, Sir, I have no man, when the water is troubled, to put me into the pool: but while I am coming, another steppeth down before me.

Paul said, [Eph 2:8-9 KJV] 8 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: [it is] the gift of God: 9 Not of works, lest any man should boast.

Delivered

Jesus has Power to Deliver the Defeated

John 5:8 Jesus saith unto him, Rise, take up thy bed, and walk. 9 And immediately the man was made whole, and took up his bed, and walked: and on the same day was the sabbath.

God Delivers: [Dan 3:28 KJV] 28 [Then] Nebuchadnezzar spake, and said, Blessed [be] the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, who hath sent his angel, and delivered his servants that trusted in him, and have changed the king's word, and yielded their bodies, that they might not serve nor worship any god, except their own God.

We All Have a Problem That Has a Remedy. So Far 100% have died.

[Heb 9:27 KJV] 27 And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment:

[1Th 5:9 KJV] 9 For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ,

God Wants Us to Repent and Live

[2Pe 3:9 KJV] 9 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.**

Evidence for the Resurrection of Christ.

1 Corinthians 15:3 ... Christ died for our sins, just as the Scriptures said. 4 He was buried, and he was raised from the dead on the third day, just as the Scriptures said. 5 He was seen by Peter and then by the Twelve. 6 After that, he was seen by more than 500 of his followers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. 7 Then he was seen by James and later by all the apostles. 8 Last of all, as though I had been born at the wrong time, I also saw him. 9 For I am the least of all the apostles. In fact, I'm not even worthy to be called an apostle after the way I persecuted God's church.

Satan will attack all who turn to Christ and try to bring doubt into their lives.

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Direction

Sin's Consequences

[Jhn 5:14-18 KJV] 14 Afterward Jesus findeth him in the temple, and said unto him, Behold, thou art made whole: sin no more, lest a worse thing come unto thee.

Jesus is God

15 The man departed, and told the Jews that it was Jesus, which had made him whole. 16 And therefore did the Jews persecute Jesus, and sought to slay him, because he had done these things on the sabbath day. 17 But Jesus answered them, <u>My Father worketh hitherto, and I work. 18</u> <u>Therefore the Jews sought the more to kill him, because he not only had broken the sabbath, but said also that God was his Father, making himself equal with God.</u>

You Can Do it!

[PhI 4:13 KJV] 13 I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.