

WHY CALVINISTS ARE LOST

THE BIBLE'S GOSPEL IS NOT THE CALVINIST'S GOSPEL!

Among the best-known verses in the Bible are John 3:14-18. They sum up the “good news” (gospel) of God’s love toward all mankind and man’s responsibility toward that love. Please read them carefully.

14 As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up;

15 so that whoever believes will in Him have eternal life.

16 For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.

17 For God did not send the Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world might be saved through Him.

18 He who believes in Him is not judged; he who does not believe has been judged already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

The message is obvious. Jesus was lifted up on the cross to save all people in the world by paying their sin debt. All should be judged and condemned; yet everyone is given the option to come to Him, recognizing their need and His love. Those who refuse to believe that they have a need remain judged and will be condemned.

This simple gospel message is radically distorted by the doctrines of Calvinism. As an example of this, John 3:14-18 incorporating the doctrines of Calvinism, appears as follows:

John 3:14-18 (Calvinist gospel *perversion*)

14 As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up;

15 so that whoever is *irresistibly forced* to believe, will in Him have *perseverance* to eternal life.

16 For God so loved *a limited few, totally depraved elect*, that He gave His only begotten Son that whoever is *irresistibly forced to believe* in Him shall not perish, but will *persevere* to eternal life.

17 For God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the whole world, but that *a very few elect in the world might be irresistibly saved* through Him.

18 He who is *depraved, but irresistibly made to believe* in Him, is not condemned; he who is also *depraved, but cannot believe*

and has no choice or chance, has been purposely condemned already, before the foundation of the world, because he is totally depraved and absolutely cannot believe in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

THE FALSE GOD OF CALVINISM

Calvin's god has created billions of people who cannot believe (totally depraved) and then judges and condemns them to an eternity of torment in the lake of fire because they did not believe. He does this "according to His good pleasure."

THE GOD OF THE BIBLE SAYS:

'As I live!' declares the Lord GOD, 'I take no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but rather that the wicked turn from his way and live. Turn back; turn back from your evil ways! Ez. 33:11

. . . , Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel." Mark 1:14-15

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2 Corinthians 11:3-4, 13:

3 But I am afraid that, as the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness, your minds will be led astray from the simplicity and purity of devotion to Christ.

4 For if one comes and preaches another Jesus whom we have not preached, or you receive a different spirit which you have not received, or a different gospel which you have not accepted, you bear *this* beautifully.

13 For such men are false apostles, deceitful workers, disguising themselves as apostles of Christ. (All verses from NASB)

Obviously, Calvinists have "another Jesus" that does not "love" all the people of the whole world but has actually created most of them to burn forever in the lake of fire. Calvinists have a "different spirit," not the loving Spirit of Jesus. They have not only lost the simplicity of the gospel message, but have a totally "different gospel" which is really "bad news," NOT "good news"! They cannot say to everyone "God loves you and wants you saved!" Our prayer is for Calvinists' salvation and for real Christians to speak the truth in love to these "false" brethren.