

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, videos are being produced in the next couple of months to cover the following topics:

- Many Church teachings astray from the Bible
- Paid Ministries—should churches have them?
- The Pope—Saviour or Deceiver?



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Israel's Existence Proves the Bible True

Israel is an important part of all records in the Bible. God refers to them as His people, the 'apple of His eye' and has made many promises about them. Israel is a key part of God's plan, their continued existence proof of His work in the world.

Thus saith the LORD, which giveth the sun for a light by day, and the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night, which divideth the sea when the waves thereof roar; The LORD of hosts is his name: If those ordinances depart from before me, saith the LORD, then the seed of Israel also shall cease from being a nation before me for ever. (Jeremiah 31:35-36)

Israel was promised the land of Israel by God. At one point in their history, Israel were slaves in Egypt. However, they were brought safely out of Egypt, through the Red Sea on dry land, throughout the wilderness and safely to the land of Israel with the help of God. The nations around knew of this and were afraid of the power of the God of Israel. Israel also realised they were in the position they were in because of God. Throughout the Bible, God refers

to Himself, or is referred to, as the one who 'brought the Israelites out of Egypt'. Yahweh, the God of Israel, proved to all nations that He was the true God and that His word (recorded in the Bible) was true by doing this.

Wherefore say unto the children of Israel, I am the LORD, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will rid you out of their bondage, and I will redeem you with a stretched out arm, and with great judgments: ... And I will bring you in unto the land, concerning the which I did swear to give it to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob; and I will give it you for an heritage: I am the LORD. (Exodus 6:6, 8)

Many people might have thought that God had forgotten His people throughout the centuries since Jerusalem was burnt in AD 70. In whatever country the Jews ended up, they met with ill treatment, despite any attempt they made to integrate. However, God had always promised His people that they would return to the land of Israel.

In mid twentieth century the Holocaust acted as a catalyst and encouraged world leaders to vote for the establishment of a Jewish state in Palestine and impelled many Jews to migrate to the land of Israel. In so doing, they fulfilled many, many prophecies that God had given his prophets thousands of years ago.

Therefore prophesy and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, O my people, I will open your graves, and cause you to come up out of your graves, and bring you into the land of Israel. And ye shall know that I am the LORD, when I have opened your graves, O my people, and brought you up out of your graves, And shall put my spirit in you, and ye shall live, and I shall place you in your own land: then shall ye know that I the LORD have spoken it, and performed it, saith the LORD. (Ezekial 37:10 - 14)

The existence of the people of Israel in the land of Israel today absolutely proves the Bible true. God's word, in the Bible, was fulfilled once and we can be certain that any words left unfulfilled will be completed in the future.

Bible Truth: Unfortunately, we all die!

One of the fundamental truths taught in the Bible is that we all die.

Why do humans die?

The first humans, Adam and Eve, died because they disobeyed God's commandment. This wasn't immediate death; however, they were evicted from the garden of Eden and lived knowing they were mortal and would die some time. (Genesis 2:17 - 3:24)

Why do we still die?

In Romans, and throughout the Bible, death is always linked to sin (not doing what God wants). 'As by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned' (Romans 5:12). The reason we all still die is because we are mortal and we know one day our bodies will break down. However,

we also die because we sin, and sinners deserve death.

Has everyone died?

There are some unusual cases in the Bible, but we can be sure that all have died by looking at Hebrews 11 (see verses 5, 13, 32, 38-40) we can see that all died, waiting and that no-one has received the 'promise' (eternal life) yet.

What about Jesus?

Jesus is the only person who has not sinned; however, he still died. This was because he was a person, and, therefore, mortal. However, he did not stay dead because he had not sinned and did not deserve death, unlike other people.

What happens at death?

The short answer is nothing. When we die we feel nothing, we

do nothing, we say nothing, we understand nothing. This is why death is so horrible for people.

"For in death there is no remembrance of thee: in the grave who shall give thee thanks?" (Psalm 6:5)

Is death the end?

God did not leave us without hope. He has given us a way to live again, after we die. Jesus Christ, the only man who didn't sin, was raised to life and has been given immortality. The Bible promises that we can be raised, too, like him.

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. (1 Corinthians 15:20 - 22)



The Christadelphians are a world-wide lay community who believe in the Bible as the word of God.

We believe in one God and his son, Jesus, and believe that God has a plan with this earth. It is God's, and our, desire that you learn about Him and become part of that plan.

Bible Tip for Life: Don't Be Materialistic

The Bible gives many practical suggestions that can help your life now. One such advice is to not be materialistic, or to not care too much about gaining possessions.

Helps our life now

Our life will be better if we are not materialistic. Jesus warns us of being jealous of others' possessions and tells us that a person's life does not consist of the abundance of their possessions (Luke 12:15). Even if we get more and more, we do not become more valuable as a person.

The Bible gives many warnings about striving after wealth and riches and warn that it will be a never-ending, non-satisfying search.

"Do not weary yourself to gain wealth, cease from your consideration of it. When you set your eyes on it, it is gone." (Proverbs 23:5)

Jesus told a parable about a man who had so much that he built himself bigger barns—it didn't do him any good in the end. (Luke 12:16 – 21)

We would live a much happier life, not trying to get more materially but being content with what we have and relying on God to provide us with what we need. Paul also warns that a love of money can lead people to lose their faith (1 Timothy 6:10) as people start to rely on, and long for, money, rather than God.

Helps our future life

This issue is also important for our future life, as it relies on us not being materialistic now.

Jesus urges us to *"Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."* (Matthew 6:19-21)

We should never be focused on

how much we have now but always focus on God's promise of a future life.

At a different time, Jesus pointed out that it is difficult for rich people to enter the kingdom of God after he urged a young man who wanted to know how to inherit eternal life to sell all he had and give it to the poor (Matthew 10:17 – 22). Despite being told this would be counted as treasure in heaven, the young man was sad because he had a lot of possessions. It is important that we don't love possessions, wanting more and more. Nothing we own now can help us when we die or in the judgement day.

"For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. And having food and raiment let us be therewith content." (1 Timothy 6:8)

Puzzle: Guess the word

I am a 5 letter word. I occur 4 times in the Bible.

Adam, God made out of dust, but thought it best to make me first.

So I was made before man to answer God's most holy plan. A living being I became and Adam gave me my name.

From his presence I then withdrew and more of Adam I never knew.

Thousands of miles I go in fear, but seldom on the earth appear. For purpose wise which God did see, he put a living soul in me. A soul from me God did claim. And took from me the soul again.

I labor hours by day, by night to follow man to give him light. No right or wrong can I conceive, the scriptures I cannot believe.

Although my name therein is found, they are to me an empty sound.

What am I?



More Information

We are unable to do any seminars or presentations in-person at the moment. However, we are putting up videos on our website (bibletruth.net.au) and on Youtube (search bibletruth.net.au). Please have a look – there are videos on a variety of different Bible topics.

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