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# The Redeeming Quality Of Redemption

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**T**he Redeeming Quality of Redemption collides with the Religion and the Worlds idea of Redemption. This is where Redemption in the Eye of the World is equal. This is an era where the world of multi-religions comes together into one god, one heaven, and no hell. It is a concept pushed by Oprah Winfrey's 'belief' video series and one shared by many today. Howbeit in God's Eye, Redemption is Unequal; that is until you follow his Word and His Redemption finds you in Christ Jesus. God will not allow just any Redemption to do! That is why it is so special. There is only one Way, one Truth, and one Life that can find you both in the Father through the Son of Almighty God.

**Joh 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.**

**The world does not like this unequal ideal or inequality as they see it. Why should there not be multiple ways to God? Why cannot you just stop with the "one way" to God thing and become like the rest of the world? Franklin Graham spoke out concerning Oprah's latest release of her video series "belief" emphasizing that "there are not many paths to God or to eternal life with him".**

**"There are not many paths to God or to eternal life with Him. A personal relationship with Almighty God through His Son Jesus Christ is the only thing that can fill the void in the human heart," he said.**

**Graham insisted that this is "not a matter of opinion," and added: "One way, one Savior, no exceptions." [Source Franklin Graham](#)**

**Further The Atlantic pointed out concerning Oprah's belief that it is "eclectic spirituality", claiming that there are "millions of ways" to get to God, and has backed some New Age Gurus, such as Deepak Chopra and Eckhart Tolle. For source see Franklin Graham article link in references below. It's just this kind of modern push we find in the world today. Even churches get carried away with it and back away from preaching the gospel or preaching holiness. It is here that the world's ways and views creep into the church and then we find a secularism that rises to match beliefs with those of Oprah, for instance. Even if those churches do not come out against the beliefs, they keep quiet and do not oppose it verbally. Silence from the churches has been deafening. The truth is technology has enabled Oprah and many others to make slick, believable, and heartwarming presentations. These deceive gullible people who respond to the humanism and heart touching things they see in these movies.**

**That is why when speaking of the Redeeming Quality of Redemption there is a truth here. Redemption in the eyes of the world is equal, i.e. "they profess there are many ways to god" while also "denying there is a hell" these people promptly accept "a heaven where everyone goes" when they die. But in the eye of our God and Father, Redemption is "Unequal", there is only one way not many. That "Unequal" partition is easy to cross, just believe upon, trust in, and follow his Son Jesus Christ; Yeshua**

**Ha Massiach. The deceiving nature of the world and of it's chief prognosticator and leader "Satan" is always on the lookout for a good way to lead people astray. We find that in the last days, our Lord taught the Apostles in Matthew 24, Mark 13, and Luke 21 that "many will come in my name and deceive many"! The point is or should be well taken by Christians, beware of popular show hosts bearing fluffy feel good gifts that will send you to hell. By this I mean for all the well intentions of Oprah, the series itself will lead people to follow false beliefs. There is only one truth in the world you can trust and that is not the word of Pres. Obama, Oprah, or some modern Mega-pastor. The only word you can trust and the word that will not let you down is God's Word, the bible. Yes, the B-I-B-L-E, that is the book for ME!**

**It sounds corny and out of touch to the modern tech world, but the fact is; that is the only truth. Jesus emphasized the importance of all this in John 10. He pointedly said all that ever came before him were thieves and robbers. He also said many would come after him and deceive many. But in this context of John 10 we find the warning "I am the door: by me if any many enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture." I recommend you reading the entire chapter of John 10 regularly to remind yourself of this important point. If you are going to witness, testify, and win someone to the Lord so that they will find heaven, you must remember this point; "he is the only way, the only door" to heaven and the "only way to the Father".**

**Joh 10:8-10**

**(8) All that ever came before me are thieves and robbers: but the sheep did not hear them.**

**(9) I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.**

**(10) The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.**

**Jesus further reminded us that we as his followers must "Strive" or struggle or attempt or endeavor to enter in at the "strait" gate. Strait here is passage, door, etc; meaning you must strive to enter through the door and that door is Jesus Christ; Yeshua Ha Massiach. He warned in this verse that "many will seek to enter in, and shall not be able"! This is a scary verse, but the fact that he warned in this verse also had a point. The context of Luke 13 is one where Jesus tells those he is speaking to, "except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish". Matter of fact in verses 3 and again in 5 he mentions that "except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish". Don't forget "God commandeth all men to repent", this is a command and surely we know, "not all will repent"! Luke 13 is about the kingdom of Heaven and in this chapter we find the aforementioned context of Luke 24. He says that people will come and knock; wanting access to enter in. But he tells them "I know you not", and then tells them to "depart from me all ye workers of iniquity". Further the context is of the Jews who daily saw him in the streets and temple teaching but they did not believe nor repent. He says to them that "there shall be weeping and**

**gnashing of teeth, when ye shall see Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, and all the prophets, in the kingdom of God and you thrust out" vs 28. The phrase "familiarity breeds contempt." That is what the Jews got used too! They had Moses and the law, yet did not know the Son of God when he came. There were many who believed, yet the religious were the enemies of our Lord. They sought to kill him, and they did.**

### **Luk 13:24**

**(24) Strive to enter in at the strait gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able.**

**The truth here is stark in relation to the sugar plum church and the fairy tale Jesus that our churches give out. We have become so familiar with Christianity and Christ; we have lost the truth of Redemption, the fact of Christ and who he is, and the true gospel of God through our Savior. We have become familiar so much so the gospel today is treated with contempt. The Word of God is viewed as another Holy book, and Christianity is just another religion. Christ and the only way to redemption is being shared with Islam and other religions as way's to get to heaven. But if you have heard anything at all I am writing, it is this; "there is only one way, one Truth, and one life found in eternity", that is through Jesus Christ. NO matter how much it is diluted, abused, and used; Truth is truth and we are here to present that truth to a society who has thrown the truth of salvation out along with Jesus Christ the only begotten Son of God.**

**Again, here is another warning from our Lord and it is directed to all:**

**Mat 7:21-27**

**(21) Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.**

**(22) Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works?**

**(23) And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.**

**(24) Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock:**

**(25) And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock.**

**(26) And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand:**

**(27) And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it.**

**In conclusion, God is not the author of confusion; today society is confused as is the church. We want to live lives in our own manner and believe as we want too.**

**But today morality is confused with the truth with today's society accepting**

**lifestyles that are an abomination with God. This confusion is from the Devil and here we find that not far away is the "deception" which will come from the "son of Perdition" 2 Thes 2, and the "beast" Rev 13. God is not confused, neither is His Word. There is no confusion of gender, sexes, truth, heaven, hell, or redemption. Today kids, generations of them have been brought up in that confusion and the results are everywhere. Evil teachers, corrupt politicians, lukewarm preachers have all added to that confusion. Today kids are following just what the schools taught them and in some cases this leads to devastating consequences. If kids today are confused about the Truth of God and his redemption, don't blame them. So we find in society, wars, bloodshed, violence, upheaval, and an anything goes mentality. If you want to do something, just do it. Our's is a feel good, pleasure induced, and love of money society.**

**But the real hope today is, God has not changed, his Word is the same, and you can have direction in your life. Just pick up the Word of God and read it. Believe, receive him, repent and follow him. John one states that "as many as received him, to them; gave he power to become the sons of God". We are to become "born of the Spirit", read John chapter 3. Above in the previous scripture I gave you Jesus words who said "unless you repent, ye shall all likewise perish". Then turn from following your own ways and follow the Lord. I recommend the Abiding chapter John 15 and its accompanying chapters in context. Read John 10-18 for more.**

**ü The world of multi religions superstar Oprah Winfrey or others like her; will not set your course for heaven.**

**ü God is not the author of confusion, today society is confused**

**ü Jesus Christ is the Way, the Truth, and the Life-John 14:6**

**ü Jesus Christ is the only Way to the Father-John 14:6**

**ü Christians should not be confused, but empowered**

**ü Christians are overcomers through Christ**

**Here are two final scriptures to help you in your belief and those of others**

**1Jn 5:4-5**

**(4) For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.**

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**Shalom, until next time;**

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