

Is Salvation Possible Through the Jews Today?

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If you pay any attention to the modern day preachers, who on their TV broadcasts advocate that all the world must look to the Jews of Israel for their salvation. But, is any of this true?

In **John 1:11**, "He came unto his own (the Jews), and his own received him not." So, it was the intention of God to make eternal salvation (which was not given under the Law of Moses) instead was to be made possible by the coming of Jesus himself. **John 4:22** says that, "salvation is of the Jews." This was the way that God introduced his Son as a baby in the manger of Bethlehem, to give the light of life to the whole world, Jews and Gentiles alike. In **Luke 2:28-32**, the elder **Saint Simon**, said these words when Mary and Joseph brought in the baby Jesus to dedicate him to the Lord, "Then took he him up in his arms, and blessed God, and said, Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word: For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people; A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel."

But the Jews disbelieved this and rejected Jesus as the promised Messiah, saying, the God did not promise salvation to any other than they. But even 50 years before, Isaiah the prophet said in **Romans 9:25-26**, "As he saith also in Osee, I will call them (Gentiles) my people, which were not my people; and her beloved, which was not beloved. And it shall come to pass, that in the place (the church) where it was said unto them, Ye are not my people; there shall they be called the children of the living God."

Still, the Jews rejected this idea as they also rejected Christ. For in Acts 10, we see how that Peter was sent to a house of a Gentile named Cor-

nelius. Peter preached, they heard him, believed his message, the Holy Spirit was given them as a sign that they were welcomed into the Kingdom of the Lord, and were baptized as well.

After several weeks, Paul and Silas were preaching in another place (**Acts 14:14-48**). The whole city, almost, turned out to hear them, but the unbelieving Jews attempted to disrupt the meeting, speaking against what Paul and Barnabas were preaching. Note what happened! Then **Acts 13:46-47** tells us, "Paul and Barnabas waxed bold, and said, It was necessary that the word of God should first have been spoken to you: but seeing ye put it from you, and judge yourselves unworthy of everlasting life, lo, we turn to the Gentiles. For so hath the Lord commanded us, saying, I have set thee to be a light of the Gentiles, that thou shouldest be for salvation unto the ends of the earth."

How sad does history speak of the unbelieving Jew, because just before their destruction by Rome in 70 A.D., Paul spoke of this, just a few years before it actually happened. They were slaughtered, nearly destroyed. Just a few escaped and were driven into the other countries around them.

Friends, even today, these people in Israel do not believe nor worship Jesus Christ. So, how can anyone desirous of going to live with the Saviour some day, endorse such a thing today?

But one day, they will believe, but it will be too late. Read **Luke 13:35**, "Behold, your house is left unto you desolate: and verily I say unto you, Ye shall not see me, until the time come when ye shall say, Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord."

Friend, up to this time, the Jews are still rejecting Jesus. But the day is coming when they will (accept), because **Romans 14:11**, guarantees it. So, don't look to the Jewish religion to save you. But look unto Jesus, he can will save you if you will obey him! (See Hebrews 5:8-9)

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Community News

Mail announcements to The Estill Tribune,
 6135 Winchester Road, Irvine, KY 40336
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Wednesday, Friday and Monday

Library's Storytime and Starry Time

Our regular preschool Storytime meets each Wednesday and Friday mornings from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Our letter of the week is R. We read, sing and do activities to help with socialization and school readiness for our younger children.

For more information contact Amy Hughes, Children's Librarian, at 723-3030 at the

Estill County Public Library. Starry Time Storytime has resumed on Mondays at 5:00 p.m. This storytime is designed for children that are already attending school and their siblings both small and tall.

For more information contact Amy Hughes, Children's Librarian, at 723-3030 at Estill County Public Library.

Wednesdays, now at 5:30pm

Beginner Yoga at Marcum-Wallace

Beginner Yoga class at Marcum & Wallace Hospital is held in the Mercy Room each Wednesday from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. with instructor Laritza Gomez. The cost is one non-perishable food item for Helping Hands Outreach Ministry.

Bring your own yoga mat. The instructor will guide the class through basic poses focused on relaxation, building core strength and flexibility. For class updates, please check the Marcum & Wallace Hospital Facebook page.

Thursdays, 4-5pm at the Estill Library

Estill County Library's Lego Club

The Estill County Public Library hosts a Lego Club each Thursday from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. The suggested ages for this group are 6 to 12. Come

build with us! For more information contact Amy Hughes, Children's Librarian, at 723-3030 at the Estill County Public Library.

Thursday, January 18th @ 5:30pm

Kiwanis Club of Irvine-Ravenna

The Kiwanis Club of Irvine-Ravenna will meet Thursday, January 11 at 5:30 p.m. at Steam Engine Pizza.

Recent donations have been given to Salvation Army, Christmas Parade float winners, and books for all 4 and 5 year old students at South Ir-

vine School. Service is at the heart of every Kiwanis Club, no matter where in the 80 nations where Kiwanis Clubs are located. Members focus on changing the world by serving children, one child and one community at a time.

Friday, January 19th @ 12:30pm

Estill Library Bridge Club

Have you ever wanted to learn how to play Bridge? If so, come by the Estill County Library on Fridays beginning

at 12:30 p.m. to learn the game. The instructor will be Patti Reese. For more information please call Lesa at 606-723-

Friday, January 19th @ 5:30pm

Estill Library Game Night

Friday nights from 5:30 until 7:30 p.m. is Family Game Night at the Estill County Public Library.

If you are looking for something FREE to do with the family, then stop by the library on

Friday nights and play games. All board games are provided. All kids under 11 must be accompanied by an adult. For more information please contact Lesa or Cale at the library at 606-723-3030.

Fridays, 6-8pm at the Estill Library

Estill Appalachian Dulcimers

The Estill County Appalachian Dulcimer Club will meet every Friday from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Estill County Library, 246 Main Street, Irvine, for anyone who plays an Appa-

lachian Dulcimer. Or anyone who is interested is playing one is welcome to attend. The Appalachian Dulcimer was designated as the official state instrument of Kentucky.

Saturday, January 20th @ 6pm

Gospel Singing at New Bethel #1

New Bethel Baptist Church #1 on New Bethel Road, Barnes Mountain, will be having a Gospel Singing Saturday, January 20, starting at

6:00 p.m. Featured singers will be The Letterbox Boys. There will be refreshments afterward. Everyone is welcome!

Wednesday, January 24th @ 1:30pm

Painting Classes With Sandy Savage

On January 24 at 1:30 Sandy Savage will be at the Estill County Public Library with her painting classes.

If you need more information please contact Lesa at the library at 606-723-3030.

Friday, February 2nd @ 9am

Retired Co. C Guard Breakfast

Attention: All retired and former National Guard members of Charlie Company 1/149th, there will be a breakfast at Cracker Barrel, in Rich-

mond, on Friday, Feb. 2nd and on the first Friday of each month at 9 a.m. All are invited and welcome. Hope to see you there!

Tuesday, February 6th @ 6:30pm

Estill County Lions Club

The Estill County Lions Club will meet Tuesday, February 6th and on the first and third Tuesday of every month at Rader's River Restaurant. The meal is at 6:30 p.m. and busi-

ness meeting begins at 7 p.m. Estill County Lions Club is part of Lions Club International, with 1.35 million members in 205 countries around the world.

BIBLE WORD SEARCH

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MARK 1:14-15

After **John** was **put** in **prison**, **Jesus** went into **Galilee**, proclaiming the **good** news of God. "The **time** has **come**," he **said**. "The **kingdom** of **God** has come **near**. **Repent** and **believe** the good **news**!"

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Find the **bolded/underlined** words in the diagram. They run in all directions — forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

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1. Is the Book of 2 Timothy in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. From Ruth 1, who called herself Marah, a name meaning "bitter"? Priscilla, Miriam, Naomi, Deborah
3. What did Malachi say the people of Judah were stealing from God?

Servants, Unrighteous miracles, Holy Grail, Owed tithes

4. Which was a city of Ephraim and home of the Ark of the Covenant? Ai, Sardis, Gaza, Shiloh

5. What Old Testament word means "anointed"? Bishop, Messiah, Jehovah, Salvation

6. Ahasuerus was also known as ...? Noadiah, Agrippa, Joash, Xerxes

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The Apostles Arrested and Freed (Acts 5:21-23)

And when they heard that, they entered into the temple early in the morning, and taught. But the high priest came, and they that were with him, and called the council together, and all the senate of the children of Israel, and sent to the prison to have them brought. 22 But when the officers came, and found them not in the prison, they returned, and told, 23 Saying, The prison truly found we shut with all safety, and the keepers standing without before the doors: but when we had opened, we found no man within.

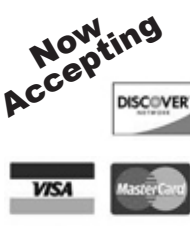
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Several weeks ago I was waiting in line for my "pre-op room" assignment. It was a time of anxiety and fear, apprehension and uncertainty. The surgeon had carefully laid out the risks as well as the rewards. All of the tests and examinations confirmed that my physical condition was strong and able to withstand the lengthy procedure.

When it was my turn to speak with the scheduler, I noticed that she had a well-worn Bible in her kiosk next to her computer keyboard. "It's good to see you reading the Bible. Obviously you must love the Lord. What are you reading today?" I asked.

"Yes, Sir. I surely do love the Lord. He's my best Friend. And this morning I am reading

Psalm 91 and I'm meditating on verse two: 'I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress.'"

Suddenly the God of all comfort appeared and spoke to me through one of His angels. What an unexpected message from God. As I stood before her, tears streamed down my face and splashed on my medical records while her words comforted my heart and put my soul at ease.

The words "refuge" and "fortress" are normally used in a military connotation. As used here they convey a special significance. God is in control and has established Himself in a defensive position against all enemies. Moreover, the Psalmist says that He is "My God!" assuring us that He is personal, present and prepared to protect us from any and all enemies. Because of His faithfulness in the past, we have no reason to ever doubt His presence and protection.

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