

## *Jesus, The Only Savior For Christians*

*“To the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever, Amen” (Jude 25).*

When I married my wife, Cindy, I didn't marry her to get a good cook. I didn't marry her to get a good housekeeper or a good washwoman. I didn't marry her to get a good mother for my children, or a good taxi-driver. I confess that she is more than adequate in every department. But I didn't marry her for any of these reasons; I married her to get her. I loved her, only her, and I wanted to spend my life with her.

How silly it would be to appreciate all these roles she performs, or all the things she does, and never appreciate her. I didn't marry a vacuum cleaner, a dishwasher, a washing machine and dryer, a babysitter, or a vehicle. I married her; she is my one and only wife. Similarly, we have been vitally joined to the Lord Jesus. He is our one and only Savior! Therefore, we must not become more attached to various aspects of the Christian life than to Christ Himself.

*Because Jesus is the only Savior, Christians must look differently at the role of privileges!* Being born into a Christian home, being raised with biblical perspectives, being brought up in godly environments, is truly wonderful. However, these blessings are not the Savior. Jesus is the Savior, and we must not depend upon these privileges in our lives or in the lives of others. Instead of depending on these benefits, we must depend on the Benefactor.

*Because Jesus is the only Savior, Christians must look differently at the role of prayer!* Perhaps you have heard someone say, “I would have never been saved if my mother had not prayed for me.” Certainly, God commands and uses the ministry of prayer, but prayer is not the Savior. Jesus is the Savior. Consequently, while we pray and thank God for the prayers of other believers, let us look to the Savior for true deliverance.

*Because Jesus is the only Savior, Christians must look differently at the role of preaching!* At times we think if we could get people under the sound of the preaching of the Gospel, they would be brought to the Savior. But, while we esteem the ministry of preaching, we must not limit divine operations to the preaching of the Gospel. By His Spirit, the Savior can go to people anywhere and work mightily in them.

*Because Jesus is the only Savior, Christians must look differently at the role of prophecy!* As we contemplate the future, we are not just anticipating a special occurrence or a phenomenal happening in the world (Christ's second coming). Our hope is not in an event. We are looking for “the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ” (Phil. 3:20). We are looking for Jesus, our only Savior. May our hearts be devoted to Him and Him alone.