

The Jesus Of The Bible In Contrast To The Jesus Of Today's American Church



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"For he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes." -Mathew 7:29

Isn't it something how the American church has portrayed Christ to the world?

We see pictures of Christ, statues of Christ, stained-glass windows of Christ as an effeminate, bloodless weakling hanging on a cross that they have named Jesus.

The pulpits in America have portrayed Jesus as somehow or another walking around with pink booties on spanking sheep on the back side, all the while telling the world that everything is alright.

Nothing could be further from scriptural truth. It's offensive to say the least. This is a created image of the modern-day heretical church.

In Matthew 16:14-16 Jesus asked His disciples,

"Who do men say that I am?"

In response they said, *"Some say that thou art John the Baptist: some, Elias; and others, Jeremias, or one of the prophets."*

Have the children of the apostates taken the time to read this portion of the Word of God? Apparently not.

They said that Jesus was like that of John the Baptist. John not only forecasted the coming of the Lamb of God, the Savior of men (John 1:29), but was also responsible for confronting the corrupt king for all of his evils (Luke 3:19).

They said that Jesus was like that of Elijah.

Elias or Elijah was the prophet that confronted the wicked King Ahab, Jezebel and the false prophets on top of Mount Carmel.

When speaking to the people, he told them, "How long will you falter between two opinions? If the Lord is God, follow Him; but if Baal, follow him" (1 King 18:21).

After Elijah mocked the false prophets (1 Kings 18: 25-27), the fire fell (vs 38) and they were all killed (1 Kings 18:40).

They said that Jesus was like that of Jeremiah.

The Lord said of Jeremiah, "See, I have this day set thee over the nations and over the kingdoms, to root out, and to pull down, and to destroy, and to throw down, to build, and to plant" (Jeremiah 1:10).

Jeremiah was sent to the gate of the children of Israel, as well as that of the king in order to testify against them because of their offenses before the Lord (Jeremiah 17:19).

As The Devil Mocks!

Scripture admonishes us to "*Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion...*" (1 Peter 5:8).

Notice that this Scripture above tells us that the devil is "*as a roaring lion.*" The children of apostates have taken on

an insulting correlation, a disparaging simile, as counterfeiting and impersonating the Christ in misrepresenting Him, in putting the devil in the place of Christ as the Lion. No wonder why we have so many women in the church today that do nothing but talk about, and chase devils, preaching his doom. How do they do this? By focusing more on the devil and magnifying him more than Christ Himself.

Now, we can all see as to whom the children of the apostates have given ear to, and it is not the scriptural Jesus. No, they are representing another Jesus, not the Jesus of the Bible, a Jesus that looks and reflects the one that they serve. No wonder why the enemies of Christ are so encouraged.

In scripturally representing the Jesus of the Bible, I am here to tell you that Jesus is THE LION!

"...the Lion of the tribe of Judah..." –Revelation 5:5

This is the same Jesus who casts out devils with His Word (Matthew 8:16), the same Jesus that gives His friends power over all the power of the devil (Luke 10:19).

It's the same Jesus who said of Himself in John 11:25 that He is the *"resurrection and the life."*

He is the same Jesus who blew Lazarus out of the grave after 4 days being dead (John 11:38-44).

This is also that same Jesus who showed His zeal for His Father's house...

"And when he had made a scourge of small cords, he drove them all out of the temple, and the sheep, and the oxen; and poured out the changers' money, and overthrew the tables;" (John 2:15)

This is that same Jesus, my King, who said of Himself:

"Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I

have not come to bring peace, but a sword.” –Matthew 10:34

This Is He Who Spoke Boldly

“For he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes.” -Matthew 7:29

Firsthand eye and ear witnesses said of Jesus:

“And they were astonished at his doctrine: for His word was with power.” -Acts 4:32

No, the children of the apostates have not properly represented Him who the winds and the sea obey.

“But the men marvelled, saying, What manner of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him!” -Matthew 8:27

What do we find here? The Jesus found in the Bible is an offense to the one that the American church has created.

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