

Brize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. They weren't unbelievers or naysayers or heady or scoffers or vain talkers. They obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was given to them: having heard the Truth of Jesus Christ, the only begotten divine literal Son of God, they believed He really died as the Son of man, and on the third day was raised up by His Father, who is now anointed and exalted on high as Lord and Christ. They loathed themselves, and Abba granted them repentance, and they were water baptized into Christ's death, receiving forgiveness of their sins by faithfully calling upon His holy everlasting Name. Then, they were raised up out of His watery grave, to newness of life, and sealed, receiving the promise of the Father, the gift of the Holy Spirit... doing the will of God — they truly believed.

III JOHN 6:40

"And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one which seeth the Son, and **believeth on him**, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day"

MATTHEW 21:32

"For John came unto you [addressing the Pharisees and Sadducees] in the way of righteousness, and ye believed him not: **but the publicans and the harlots believed him**: and ye [Pharisees, Sadducees and Scribes], when ye had seen it, repented not afterward, that ye might believe him."

esus knew the publicans and harlots believed John the Baptist's msg, who was sent to prepare the way of the Lord. He was sent by God to give Israel knowledge of salvation thru the remission of sins, and they actually believed, repented and were baptized for the forgiveness of their sins — doing the will of His Father, by calling upon the Name of His Son faithfully confessing God's righteousness and entering His kingdom BEFORE the religious pious Pharisees, Sadducees and Scribes.

MATTHEW 21:31

"Whether of them twain did the will of his father? They say unto him, The first. Jesus saith unto them, Verily I say unto you, That **the publicans and the harlots go into the kingdom of God BEFORE YOU**."

he Messiah was speaking to the Pharisees who thought they knew God, but didn't have ears to hear Him speaking in His beloved Son. The Messiah affirmed that any man that does His Father's will, will know of the doctrine...

I JOHN 7:16-17

"Jesus answered them [the Judaeans at the feast of tabernacles], and said, My doctrine is not mine, but <u>his that sent me</u>. <u>If</u> any man will <u>do his will</u>, <u>he shall know of the doctrine</u>, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself."

emember, <u>our righteousness must exceed the righteousness of the Pharisees</u>, or we will by no means enter the kingdom of God. <u>Jesus was made to be sin FOR US</u>, <u>who knew no sin, that we might be made the righteousness of God, in Him</u> (2 Cor 5:21). It's the Son of God who Abba Yah sent as the gift of Life to all that set to their seal that God is true... this is why we honor the Son, by calling on His name. Christ finished the work of salvation, exquisitely as a man, at the cross and it's in His death where we are planted together w Him...

MEBREWS 2:9

"But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour; that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man."

or whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. We are saved (delivered or given victory) thru the Son of God's life, death and resurrection, and by His righteous, sanctified, divine life as the risen Son of man, He imparts this gift to us: all who believe He is who He said is and shamelessly call on His name, when we die to sin, being made comfortable to His death in water baptism. This is the Stone which was set at nought by many builders. He is become the Head of the Corner and neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved...

EPHESIANS 2:13-22 - But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ [speaking to Gentile brethren]. For he [the divine literal Son of God; the Son of man] is our peace, who hath made both [Hebrews and Gentiles] one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us [racism; hard-heartedness, prejudice; biasness; ethnocentricism; etc]; Having abolished in his flesh the enmity [hatred], even the law of commandments contained in ordinances [the entire Mosaic Law OT System]; for to make in himself of twain one new man [thru the Son of man, a divine-human race is now born of His righteousness, by faith, thru believing in His name, 2 Cor 5:21, 1 John 4:23], so making peace [the new covenant which is in His blood]; And that he might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross [Eph 1:9-11, 1 John 5:8, Rom 15:5-7] having slain the enmity thereby...

Pause... so by belief on His name (bc Christ was sent to manifest His Father's nature, character, and authority as a man: the Son of man, He now continues to declare His Father's name thru the Spirit of prophecy via the testimony of Jesus which must be confirmed in each one of us (ref. 1 John 5:10, 1 Cor 1:6, Rev 19:10, Acts 1:8, 1 John 1:1-3), His disciples, who boldly and unashamedly herald the Gospel of our salvation unto all ppl, ref. John 17:6, 19-20, 25-26). Thru baptism in His name (the Son of God inherited His name from His Father, just as we who believe on Him as the scripture has said, confess that Jesus is truly the divine literal Son of God, that is Lord and Christ - our Master and Messiah - we then inherit the name His Father has given to His Son), we truly believe Jesus is the Christ, the divine literal Son of God, who came out from God (who proceeded forth from His Father, not a co-eternal-3-in-one-person trio, or a just-Jesus mental assent, or neither a crafty gnostic twist of Jesus being created and not divine) and are granted repentance, and we die: entering into the veil of His flesh — into that True Tabernacle [or that greater, more perfect Tabernacle, Isa 32:1-4], into the Holiest of all, w boldness, which Yahuah (the LORD God Almighty, His Father and ours now) pitched and not man. In this secret place, by the blood of Jesus [Yahusha, the Lamb of God], we are now likened or we are acquainted w Him in His death thru baptism by calling upon His holy name, and we receive remission [or forgiveness] of sins: in whom we are circumcised w the circumcision made w/o hands, in putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ [or 'having our hearts sprinkled w blood from an evil conscience' or 'our conscience purged from dead works' or having 'the answer of a good conscience toward God'], that we shall be endued w power from on high by or thru the name of Jesus Christ our Lord (ref. John 14:13, 20, 20:31, Acts 2:38, 4:11-12, 1 Cor 6:11), to draw nigh unto the living God, w a true heart in full assurance of faith, to

serve Abba Father (thru being conformed into the image of His Son, by His death burial and resurrection, this is how we truly serve God, ref. Heb 9:11-28).

So the understanding my Lord Jesus is showing me, glory be to God: water baptism is not merely just some "outward symbol" bt a miraculous operation of God where HE WORKS (this is how 'He knows them that are His...', ref. 2 Tim 2:19) to literally consecrate us; sanctify us; set us apart; ordain us; circumcise our heart/mind w the circumcision made without hands, establishing us in the way of righteousness, by faith. When we are dead w Christ: we are freed from sins. It starts here. From there, we go forth, from faith to faith: bc the just shall live by faith...we live by or thru the Faith of Jesus now. How? Bc we are now washed, and sanctified, and justified, in His Name; the Name above every other name and by the Spirit of our God. This is Abba's workmanship and His way of holiness. The meek shall walk in it. (please click this link and read passages thoroughly)

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And came and preached peace to you which were afar off [Gentile brethren, the remnant that comes out from every nation], and to them that were nigh [the remnant of Israel and Judah, according to the election of grace]. For through him we both [Israel and Gentiles] have access by one Spirit [the Spirit of Life in Christ Jesus, ref. Rom 8:2, 9-10, Gal 4:6, 1 Cor 15:45, 47, 2 Cor 13:5] unto the Father [the great God Almighty]. Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow-citizens with the saints, and of the household of God; And are built upon the foundation of —> THE APOSTLES and PROPHETS [of old], JESUS CHRIST himself being the Chief Corner Stone [Isa 28:16-17]; In whom all the building [the lively stones] fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple [that true tabernacle] in the Lord [Jesus/Yahusha, the divine Son of God; the Son of man; that Prophet, our High Priest; the King of kings and Lord of lords]: In whom ye also are builded together [as His Body] for an habitation of God [His Heavenly Father and now also our Abba, Father] through the Spirit [the eternal Life of the Father which His Son inherited when He was begotten, and Who now imparts this glorious gift of inheritance to His faithful divine offspring, who are born of His death, burial and resurrection and who empowers us to become the sons [the children] of God, even because we have believed on His Name, ref. John 1:12-13].

PSALMS 118:22 - The stone which the builders refused is become the head stone of the corner.

ISAIAH 28:16 - Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, **Behold, I lay in Zion** FOR **A FOUNDATION** a **stone**, a tried stone, a precious corner stone, **a sure foundation**: he that believeth shall not make haste.

MATTHEW 16:15-18 - He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am? And Simon Peter answered and said, <u>Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God</u>. And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven. And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and <u>upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it</u>.

1 CORINTHIANS 3:9-11 - For we are labourers <u>together with God</u>: ye are God's husbandry, <u>ye are God's building</u>. According to the grace of God which is given unto me, as a wise masterbuilder, <u>I [br Paul] have laid the foundation</u>, and another buildeth thereon. But let every man take heed <u>how he buildeth</u> thereupon. For <u>other foundation can no</u> man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

1 PETER 2:7-8 - Unto you therefore which believe he is precious: but unto them which be disobedient, the stone which the builders disallowed, the same is made the head of the corner, And a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offence, even to them which stumble at the word, being disobedient: whereunto also they were appointed.

2 PETER 2:21 - For it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than, after they have known it, to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them.