

## #108 FORUM POST ON THE ONLY WAY TO GOD

Dear all,

While I do believe people who may not know everything about Jesus and they look to God in faith, he by his choice will give them the Holy Spirit, and in the end of life come to know the one whom had gave them new life.

Many people out there believe this an unbiblical concept, however God is not limited to a book, and within the contents of the Bible, it is stated.

““But this is the new covenant I will make with the people of Israel after those days,” says the Lord. “I will put my instructions deep within them, and I will write them on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. And they will not need to teach their neighbors, nor will they need to teach their relatives, saying, ‘You should know the Lord.’ For everyone, from the least to the greatest, will know me already,” says the Lord. “And I will forgive their wickedness, and I will never again remember their sins.””

Jeremiah 31:33-34 NLT

The Israel spoken of here to me, is the new heavenly abode, Heavenly Jerusalem.

Why do I say this? Because Paul mentions that not all who are of Israel are Israel.

“Well then, has God failed to fulfill his promise to Israel? No, for not all who are born into the nation of Israel are truly members of God’s people!”

Romans 9:6 NLT

How can I say this speak of something different than the material Israel?

“No, a true Jew is one whose heart is right with God. And true circumcision is not merely obeying the letter of the law; rather, it is a change of heart produced by the Spirit. And a person with a changed heart seeks praise from God, not from people.”

Romans 2:29 NLT

Because it’s a change of heart by the spirit. And people anywhere out there in the world can look towards God and be changed in their heart, even if they don’t know every single thing about Jesus.

Even so, while people continue to read the Bible and they have read about Jesus and things he had said to the people of his time concerning things they were expected to see, including his return.

The truth remains to be known,

“Jesus told him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me.” John 14:6 NLT

I continue to believe this the truth, and faith is something needed to be saved to the kingdom of heaven it comes from a changed heart which loves and lives for God, believing in the Lord Yeshua, who died, was buried and raised again on the third day. There are many things people can run across and find answers to themselves and if they lack wisdom they can ask God concerning them.

“If you need wisdom, ask our generous God, and he will give it to you. He will not rebuke you for asking. But when you ask him, be sure that your faith is in God alone. Do not waver, for a person with divided loyalty is as unsettled as a wave of the sea that is blown and tossed by the wind.” James 1:5-6 NLT

M

Dear M \_\_\_\_\_,

You stated:

While I do believe people who may not know everything about Jesus and they look to God in faith, he by his choice will give them the Holy Spirit, and in the end of life come to know the one whom had gave them new life.

This is an unscriptural statement. No one can look to God "in faith" unless they have already been given the Holy Spirit - and this gift of the Spirit happens by "his choice" to give it (as you rightly said).

Everything that causes a person to be saved comes from Christ. When Christ is ready to save one of His Elect, He will start them on the pathway to salvation beginning with the Early Rain of the Spirit. It is the Early Rain of the Spirit that will give them a "measure of faith" (Rom 12:3) in Christ. Unless Christ gives a person this small amount of the Holy Spirit, they would never have any faith in Christ.

Most of the world remains faithless because Christ has never called them to be saints by giving them the Early Rain of the Spirit:

**Mat 22:14 For many are called, but few are chosen.**

However, many people in this world are called to be saints. By "his choice", Christ calls a person to be a saint by giving them the Early Rain of the Spirit. With this small measure of the Spirit, they will then have a measure of faith and make a confession of faith when they are presented the Gospel:

**1Cor 12:3 Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man speaking by the Spirit of God calleth Jesus accursed: and that no man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Spirit.**

This is only in this way that an unbeliever will become a believer and will enter the church.

At this point in the pathway to salvation, the new believer is an "babe" (1Cor 3:1, Isa 28:9-12) who can only draw milk.

As a babe, they will remain carnally minded, spiritually blind and unconverted. In this condition, they will be able to "see" (means to understand) Christ's work that He did under the Old Covenant (Christ and Him crucified, 1Cor 2:2) but the spiritual teachings of the New Covenant will remain blurred (Mark 8:15-25). This blurring of the truth is what has produced around 2,000 different denominations/sects of apostate Christianity in the world (places where the blind lead the blind/typed by the tower of Babel).

As an unconverted babe, the new believer will begin their time of waiting for Christ to return with the Latter Rain of the Spirit. This time of waiting is what Paul referred to in the verses below:

**Heb 9:28 So Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many; and he will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for him.**

**1Cor 1:2 Unto the church of God which is at Corinth, to them that are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, with all that in every place call upon the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, both theirs and ours:**

**1Cor 1:6 Even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you (Early Rain/confession of faith): 7 So that ye come behind in no gift; waiting for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ: 8 Who shall also confirm you unto the end (Latter Rain/conversion), that ye may be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

This time of waiting is also used in the marriage analogy when an espoused "virgin" waits for the Bridegroom to return for the wedding (conversion). Paul uses this analogy in his teachings.

It is only after a babe (one who is called to be a saint) is given the Latter Rain of the Spirit will they be converted and become as a little child in the Kingdom of Heaven.

**Mat 18:3 And said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven.**

Conversion is the moment of salvation and it happens "through faith". Faith is not what saves a person. Faith is what makes Christ's pathway straight from Him to "come again" and save them. Conversion from being a child of the Devil to being a child of God is mankind's salvation and it only happens by the work of Christ.

For a person to be converted, it requires Christ to give a person both the Early and Latter Rains of the Spirit, followed by judgment (the Day of the Lord).

**James 5:7 Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord (to convert chosen babes). Behold, the farmer waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receives the EARLY and LATTER RAIN. 8 Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh.**

After a person is converted, they can never lose their salvation. But as an unconverted babe, they can (and will) fall from being faithful while they wait on the Lord to return to them. This is when a babe will come under the deceptions of Satan via the spirit of anti-Christ and when they will experience a time of "great tribulation". No babe (since Paul's death) can avoid it. For that reason, when Christ "comes again" to those He has chosen (the Elect), He will first pour out the Latter Rain of the Spirit upon them. The baptism of the Spirit/Spirit of Truth will restore their faith and heal their spiritual blindness. With their blindness healed, the babe will then see the Abomination of Desolation (Mat 24:15-16) that occurred within themselves when Satan's spirit deceived them and made them "worse than the first" (Mat 12:43-45). After the person realizes their true condition, Christ will appear and His judgment will fall on them. Christ's judgment will then remove and destroy the spirit of anti-Christ and their own marred and carnal spirit (Great Harlot). This judgement is described in Mat 24:37-41 and in Rev 19:11-21. After this judgment is complete, the person will be converted.

One final point: a babe becomes unfaithful when they mix their own works with faith in Christ to provide for all their needs. The easy test to know if a person is mixing works with faith is when they claim that those who are not saved have only themselves to blame for being cast into the Lake of Fire. But the truth is a person is not saved only because Christ chose not to save them at this time. Their own works played no part in why they were not saved - just as a saved person's own works played no part in why they were saved.

These scriptures apply:

**Rom 8:30 Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified. (Notice all the works in this verse are the works of Christ. Mankind has no works of their own to perform for their salvation.)**

**Rom 9:11 (For the children being not yet born, neither having done any good or evil, that the purpose of God according to election might stand, not of works, but of him that calleth.**

**Eph 2:8 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: 9 Not of works, lest any man should boast. 10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.**

But because Christ loves all mankind and because His Father sent Him to save the world (1John

4:14), Christ will not stop His work until the last person who has ever lived is saved.

In the final age, when Christ judges the "lost" in the Lake of Fire, Christ will not omit "justice, mercy and faith" from His judgment of them.

**Mat 23:23 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin, and have omitted the weightier matters of the law: justice, mercy, and faith: these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone.**

Before any "lost" person perishes (the true penalty of sin) during their time of judgment by the Law, Christ will have MERCY upon them by freely giving them both the Early and Latter Rains of the Spirit. With the Spirit indwelling them, the person will have the necessary FAITH for Christ to come to them and convert them into a child of God. The newly born child of God will then be gathered to heaven but the child of the devil will remain in the Lake of Fire (a symbol for judgment) until he is destroyed (satisfies JUSTICE).

After the last person of mankind has been converted, this scripture will be testified to be true:

**1Tim 2:3 For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior; 4 who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth. 5 For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; 6 who gave himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time.**

M\_\_\_\_\_, can you accept any of what I presented above as truth?

Joe

Dear FaithWillDo,

My statement:

While I do believe people who may not know everything about Jesus and they look to God in faith, he by his choice will give them the Holy Spirit, and in the end of life come to know the one whom had gave them new life.

I believe this still stands true. Many people limit the ability for God to bestow his spirit upon people.

I'm not someone who believes that Jesus is coming back today. No one has to believe me though and I believed he already got the elect bride of Christ in 70Ad, faithfully.

M\_\_\_\_\_

Dear M\_\_\_\_\_,

Your statement says that a person can "look to God in faith" without the Holy Spirit indwelling them, however, scripture says that mankind has no such ability. You then say that when a person does the impossible of looking to God in faith, that God will then decide by His own choosing whether or not to give them the Holy Spirit. This too is contradicted by scripture.

Like others who limit God's ability to bestow the Holy Spirit, you, too, are limiting Him. Can't you see that?

As for your last statement on Christ having already received the Bride of Christ in 70 A.D., it makes no sense and has no scriptural support. If scripture doesn't teach it, you should not accept it has truth.

**1Cor 4:6 Now, brothers and sisters, I have applied these things to myself and Apollos for your benefit, so that you may learn from us the meaning of the saying, "Do not go beyond what is written." Then you will not be puffed up in being a follower of one of us over against the other.**

The events of 70 A.D. are not taught anywhere in scripture. If you believe those events are taught in scripture, you are misunderstanding what they are actually teaching.

All the Elect of this age (both Jew and Gentile) become the Bride of Christ upon their moment of conversion. If you understood the marriage analogy that Christ uses to teach the pathway to salvation, you would know this to be true.

As for your belief that Christ is not coming back today, scripture contradicts you. Christ's second coming is stated to be a reoccurring spiritual event when Christ comes to convert each of His Elect. His second coming first happened to the 120 Jewish Elect on the Day of Pentecost and it has been happening over and over again in all the lives of the Elect throughout this age.

**Rev 1:4 John to the seven churches which are in Asia: Grace be unto you, and peace, from him which is, and which was, and which is to come; and from the seven Spirits which are before his throne...**

**Rev 1:8 I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.**

**Rev 4:8 And the four beasts had each of them six wings about him; and they were full of eyes within: and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come.**

If you can't support your beliefs with scripture, you should reject those beliefs and ask Christ to open your eyes to the truth. Truth is given to a person no other way.

Joe

Dear FaithWillDo,

You're more than to welcome to interject all you like. You can't stop God from communicating through to people. And he will bestow his Holy Spirit within their heart.

Thank you for your efforts but people should understand, I have to make up my own mind, and decide for myself.

I just go by this scripture here.

People are able to see there is God above them, but it's up to them to believe and when they do, God will bestow his spirit upon them in their heart.

"The heavens proclaim the glory of God. The skies display his craftsmanship. Day after day they continue to speak; night after night they make him known. They speak without a sound or word; their voice is never heard. Yet their message has gone throughout the earth, and their words to all the world. God has made a home in the heavens for the sun." Psalms 19:1-4 NLT

"The day is coming," says the Lord, "when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and Judah. This covenant will not be like the one I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand and brought them out of the land of Egypt. They broke that covenant, though I loved them as a husband loves his wife," says the Lord. "But this is the new covenant I will make with the people of Israel after those days," says the Lord. "I will put my instructions deep within them, and I will write them on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. And they will not need to teach their neighbors, nor will they need to teach their relatives, saying, 'You should know the Lord.' For everyone, from the least to the greatest, will know me already," says the Lord. "And I will forgive their wickedness, and I will never again remember their sins." Jeremiah 31:31-34 NLT

"And it is impossible to please God without faith. Anyone who wants to come to him must believe that God exists and that he rewards those who sincerely seek him." Hebrews 11:6 NLT

Whether or not these scriptures viable one must choose for oneself.

M

Dear M \_\_\_\_\_,

You said:

Thank you for your efforts but people should understand, I have to make up my own mind, and decide for myself.

What you stated is exactly right but you must realize that truth is only given to a person by Christ and at a time of His choosing. You have no ability to understand Christ's New Covenant

teachings until Christ decides & acts to give it to you.

Consider these scriptures:

**Jer 33:3 ‘Call to Me, and I will answer you, and show you great and mighty things, which you do not know.’**

This scripture above must be added to what the scriptures below teach (my comments are in blue):

**1Sam 12:17 Is it not wheat harvest to day? (conversion day for the Elect/Wheat) I WILL CALL UNTO THE LORD, and he shall send thunder and RAIN (the Latter Rain); that ye may perceive (have understanding) and see that your wickedness is great (have become a man of sin), which ye have done in the sight of the LORD, in asking you a king.**

And this one:

**Luke 11:9 And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you. 10 For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened. 11 If a son (one of the Elect) shall ask bread (truth) of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if he ask a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent? 12 Or if he shall ask an egg, will he offer him a scorpion? 13 If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit (the Latter Rain/Spirit of Truth) to them that ask him?**

And this one:

**Prov 2:1 My son (one of the Elect), if you receive my words and treasure up my commandments with you, 2 making your ear attentive to wisdom and inclining your heart to understanding; 3 yes, if you call out for insight and raise your voice for understanding, 4 if you seek it like silver and search for it as for hidden treasures, 5 then you will understand the fear of the Lord and find the knowledge of God.**

And this last one:

**Isa 28:9 Whom shall he teach knowledge? and whom shall he make to understand doctrine? them that are weaned from the milk, and drawn from the breasts (the converted Elect who have the Latter Rain). 10 For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little: 11 For with stammering lips and another language (spiritual language) will he speak to this people. 12 But the word of the LORD was unto them (babes in Christ) precept upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little; that they might**



go, and fall backward, and be broken, and snared, and taken (by Satan).

You said:

People are able to see there is God above them...

You need to read Romans chapter 1 where Paul teaches about the true spiritual condition of mankind. Most people cannot accept that there is a "God above them" because God has given them over to a reprobate mind which denies even the exist of God. But those who do accept there is a God above, they have zero ability to seek Him out or to understand Him through His Word (Rom 3:10). Because mankind is blinded from knowing the true God, Satan (through various worldly religions and the apostate church) is the one that carnal mankind finds and serves as their god. This is why scripture says that Satan is the god of this world.

You then said:

...but it's up to them to believe and when they do. God will bestow his spirit upon them in their heart.

Mankind has no ability to "believe" in Christ unless Christ gives the person at least the Early Rain of the Spirit. This is what scripture teaches so why do you believe otherwise?

Consider Paul's conversion experience. Paul was on the way to persecute Christians in Damascus and hated Christ. But since Paul was one of the chosen Elect, Christ "suddenly" came to Paul (His temple) on the Damascus Road and gave Paul the Early Rain of the Spirit. Paul then immediately fell to his knees and called Jesus "Lord". Paul then submitted to Christ's authority over Him and asked Christ "what is it you want me to do?". Paul's blindness at that time represented Paul's spiritual blindness.

What happened to Paul must happen to everyone who becomes a "babe" in Christ. It can happen no other way. Mankind has no ability to believe without having been given the Early Rain of the Spirit beforehand by Christ. And like with Paul, Christ does not ask the person for permission to give them the Spirit nor does Christ require them to ask for it. Christ simply gives them the Spirit because of His grace and because the person was chosen to be given the Spirit at that time (there is a season and a time for all things to be done under heaven).

Christ is mankind's God and has the right to do as He pleases - and that includes the right to save a sinful and God rejecting person:

**Dan 4:35 And all the inhabitants of the earth are reputed as nothing; and he doeth according to his will in the army of the heavens, and among the inhabitants of the earth; and none can stay his hand, or say unto him, What doest thou?**

You quoted:

**Hebrews 11:6 NLT "And it is impossible to please God without faith. Anyone who wants to**

**come to him must believe that God exists and that he rewards those who seek him.”**

Since the "natural man" has no ability to generate any measure of faith in Christ (Rom 3:10, 8:7 & 1Cor 2:14), Christ will come to mankind and freely give mankind the faith they need by giving them the Holy Spirit (both the Early and Latter Rains). By the end of the final age, all mankind will have been given the faith they need to be saved:

**Rom 5:18 so then as it was by one offence towards all men to condemnation, so by one righteousness towards all men for justification of life. 19 For as indeed by the disobedience of the one man the many have been constituted sinners, so also by the obedience of the one the many will be constituted righteous.**

Because Christ was obedient to His Father, all mankind (all who have died in Adam) will be "constituted righteous" by Christ. It is solely Christ's work to perform. Mankind contributes nothing. This is the true Good News that the church should be proclaiming to the world.

Joe

Dear FaithWillDo,

I don't believe you. If you would like to start your own threads, please feel free to do so. I do not seek for your help.

People are able to choose to believe in God. Saying they cannot is seemingly way out there in my opinion. It's like Adam and Eve didn't have a choice not to talk to God about the serpent in th Garden. Everyone on earth has a choice, to say people are unable to, is just too far out there to me. However it is a doctrine that exist and it's nothing new that I haven't heard.

M

Dear M \_\_\_\_\_,

You should not believe me but you should believe the scriptures I quoted.

Scripture says over and over again that mankind does not have the ability to have faith in Christ apart from the Holy Spirit, nor does mankind have the ability to make free will decisions. To believe otherwise shows that the believer has come under the deceptions of the spirit of anti-Christ. Christ says that this coming deception would be so powerful that it would have even deceived the very Elect (the apostles) before they were converted.

**Mat 24:24 For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect.**

No babe in Christ can avoid experiencing the deceptions of Satan via the spirit of anti-Christ. The primary deception of Satan is the teaching that mankind has a natural free will ability to make choices and to have faith in Christ apart from the Holy Spirit. However, scripture strongly

contradicts this teaching.

**Prov 20:24 Man's goings are of the LORD; how can a man then understand his own way?**

**Jer 10:23 I know, Jehovah, that the way of man is not his own; it is not in a man that walketh to direct his steps.**

**Prov 16:1 The preparations of the heart in man, and the answer of the tongue, is from the LORD.**

**Deut 29:4 Yet the LORD hath not given you a heart to perceive, and eyes to see, and ears to hear, unto this day.**

If Christ does not come to a person like He did with Paul on the Damascus Road, they will never make a confession of faith. It is just not possible according to what God's Word teaches.

If you don't receive your truth from scripture, you should openly say so in your posts.

Also, I do not usually start threads. I usually respond to other member's thread which teach apostate beliefs. Scripture says that I should "speak and exhort and rebuke with all authority" those who do not teach sound doctrine. My comments to you on this thread have been made with this command in mind.

**Titus 2:15 These things speak, and exhort, and rebuke with all authority. Let no man despise thee.**

Your thread is entitled "Only one way to the Father" but the way you are teaching comes from Satan's false gospel. That false gospel teaches a believer to mix their own works with the works of Christ. When a believer accepts this lie, they are committing the one and only sin that a "babe" can commit that leads to a loss of salvation. It is the sin that leads to death. Paul calls it falling from grace. Because this is the only sin that can kill a saint, the apostate teaching of mixing works with faith is the one common teaching of all the apostate churches in the world.

Since you do not want my help, I will no longer post to you on this forum. If you change your mind (Christ changes it for you), I will be happy to help you in any way I can.

Joe

Dear FaithWillDo,

Thank you for letting me be. I hope you all the best.

M

Another member responded to my posts:

Dear FaithWillDo,

Many now preach a false gospel indeed my friend .

Satan has convinced many of another love which will NOT point to the DIRE NEED to believe ON JESUS the CHRIST .

Remember the words of John

IF any does not receive the testimony that GOD gave of the SON , HE is calling GOD a liar .

Go back to Genesis . What was the one thing GOD had told them not to do or they would die

Yet Satan convinced Eve saying SURELY YE SHALL NOT DIE .....

NOW GOD has sent the SON to reconcile us to GOD

and JESUS said He who believes will not perish but have everlasting life

But he who believes not shall be damned .

AND along cometh that which is of anti-Christ , made to sound loving , and it says

SURELY ye shall not be damned if ye believe not . THE THING IS

who we gonna heed , GOD , CHRIST , or lying men and seducing spirits that preach a lie made to sound like love

WHY would Satan do such a thing .

BECAUSE as always HE has desired the death of man , its why the serpent convinced them to believe a lie and to eat of that tree .

SO HE GONNA DO ALL to convince many there is no need TO BELIEVE ON JESUS THE CHRIST that indeed they will not perish .

WHO is a liar , HE WHO DENIES JESUS IS THE CHRIST , he is anti-Christ .

That which is of anti-Christ has been at work and by means of deception , by guise of a love NOT OF GOD but of the world ,

IT has made the path to GOD VERY, VERY BROAD . But that path LEADETH ONLY TO DESTRUCTION .

KEEP sounding out the one true gospel , keep letting all know YE MUST BELIEVE IN JESUS the CHRIST .

A

Dear A \_\_\_\_\_,

Do you understand that after the death of Paul, scripture teaches that all new believers (babes) will be deceived by the spirit of anti-Christ and will fall from grace?

All the Elect will experience the apostasy in their own lives as they travel the "one way to the Father". They cannot avoid it.

This truth is taught in many of Christ's New Covenant teachings. For that reason, when Christ returns (His second coming) to convert one of His Elect, He will find them in an apostate condition. To restore them, Christ will pour out the Latter Rain of the Spirit. This is the baptism of the Spirit and it will heal the person's spiritual blindness just as it did for Paul when He

received the Latter Rain of the Spirit:

**17 And Ananias went his way, and entered into the house; and putting his hands on him said, Brother Saul, the Lord, even Jesus, that appeared unto thee in the way as thou camest, hath sent me, that thou mightest receive thy sight, and be filled with the Holy Ghost. 18 And immediately there fell from his eyes as it had been scales: and he received sight forthwith, and arose, and was baptized. 19 And when he had received meat (truth), he was strengthened.**

After the Elect person's spiritual blindness is healed, they will begin feasting on God's Word for the first time. This event is what the Marriage Supper of the Lamb and the Lord's Supper represent.

If you re-read the story of Paul's conversion experience in Acts 9, you will notice that after Paul received the Early Rain of the Spirit on the Damascus Road, Paul became blind and had to be led by the hand into Damascus.

Note: Damascus is a "type" for earthly Jerusalem where all the prophets/saints are killed. The Old Covenant prophets were physically killed because the Old Covenant was a physical and outward covenant. But the New Covenant is different. It is a spiritual covenant. When the New Covenant saints are killed, they are spiritually killed (loss of salvation) in earthly Jerusalem. This death can only happen in one way. That way is when they commit the "sin that leads to death" (1John 5:16) of mixing their own works with faith.

While Paul was in Damascus his first three days (the number three represents a spiritual process is happening), Paul could not eat or drink. This represented that Paul could not eat the true bread from heaven or drink the New Wine of Christ's blood. The spiritual process that Paul experienced during those three days made Paul into a "man of sin".

Christ teaches the spiritual process that Paul experienced in Damascus in the scripture below:

**Mat 12:43 When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest, and findeth none. 44 Then he saith, I will return into my house from whence I came out; and when he is come, he findeth it empty, swept, and garnished. 45 Then goeth he, and taketh with himself SEVEN other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter in and dwell there: and the last state of that man is worse than the first. Even so shall it be also unto this wicked generation.**

The spiritual symbol of an unclean spirit represents a spirit which teaches Satan's false truth through lies and deceptions.

Since a new believer remains spiritually blind (Mark 8:21-25) after receiving the Early Rain of the Spirit, they cannot replace their worldly false beliefs with the truth of Christ. ONE unclean

spirit leaves but comes back with SEVEN more. The number "seven" represents perfection. In this case, the number seven represents the perfection of Satan's lies/deceptions which come to a believer by the indwelling of the spirit of anti-Christ. Now, instead of ONE unclean spirit within the believer, they now have EIGHT. The number eight is a spiritual symbol which represents a new spiritual condition. In this case, the new spiritual condition is worse than the first.

This "worse than the first" spiritual condition causes the believer to become a False Prophet, a Man of Sin, a Minister of Satan and a Seven Headed Beast with Ten Horns & Crowns.

After Paul had fully accepted Satan's "another gospel" and had become "worse than the first" (man of sin), the time for the "end of the ages" to come upon Paul arrived. Christ (typed by Ananias) then returned to Paul and poured out the Latter Rain of the Spirit.

The verse below teaches this same truth:

**Mat 24:14 And this gospel of the kingdom (Satan's "another gospel") shall be preached in all the world (the apostate believer) for a witness unto all nations (fully accepted by person); and then shall the end come.**

The "end" is referring to the "end of the ages" when Christ returns and pours out the Latter Rain of the Spirit upon the worsened child.

Paul confirms this understanding in the verse below:

**1Cor 10:11 Now all these things happened to them as types, and have been written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the ages are come.**

After the Elect person has received the Latter Rain of the Spirit, the new child of God will be born and gathered to heaven (spiritually speaking, Mat 24:29-31).

It is only the new child of God who can see spiritually. Carnal mankind is and always will be blinded by their carnal mind.

With their new ability to see spiritually, the Elect believer will see the Abomination of Desolation that had previously occurred within themselves when the spirit of anti-Christ entered them.

These verses apply:

**Mat 24:15 When (not if) ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place (God's temple/the believer), (whoso readeth, let him understand:) 16 Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains (as Lot did before judgment fell):**

When judgment falls on the Elect believer, it will spiritually remove and destroy the worsened child of the devil (man of sin) from within them.

This judgment is described below:

**Mat 24:40 Then shall two (one Elect person) be in the field; the one shall be taken (the spirit of anti-Christ), and the other left (Holy Spirit). 41 Two women (one Elect person) shall be grinding at the mill; the one shall be taken (the Great Harlot), and the other left (Holy Spirit).**

The man of sin has two spiritual parts: the spirit of anti-Christ and the Great Harlot. The Great Harlot is a symbol which represents mankind's "marred" and carnal spirit (Jer 18:4).

This verse applies to the judgment of the Great Harlot:

**Rev 18:2 And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great (city) is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils (spirit of anti-Christ), and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird.**

Babylon the great city is synonymous with earthly Jerusalem, Damascus, Egypt, Sodom AND the Great Harlot (Rev 17:1 & 18).

It is the spirit of anti-Christ that makes the person's marred and carnal spirit worse than the first. Both spirits must be removed and destroyed by Christ's judgment so that the Elect believer will only be guided by the Holy Spirit. After this judgment is complete, the Elect believer will be changed from a worsened child of the devil into a child of God. This is what must happen for a person to be converted.

I will end with this final verse:

**1Sam 12:17 Is it not wheat harvest today? (conversion day of the Elect) I will call unto the LORD, and he shall send thunder and Rain (Latter Rain); that ye may perceive (spiritual blindness healed) and see that your wickedness is great (Man of Sin revealed), which ye have done in the sight of the LORD, in asking you a king.**

What I presented above is the true "one way to the Father". It happens to a person solely by the work of Christ and at a time of God's choosing. The person contributes nothing because they have nothing that they can contribute.

Joe

Dear FaithWillDo,

Sorry friend but that simply will not do . NO DEAL .  
that kind of faith will not DO . You wanna hug on a false love that is on you .

A

Dear A \_\_\_\_\_,

The faith that is being taught on this thread is a faith mixed with works. That false faith produces a self-righteous apostate believer who is rejected by Christ.

Also, when a believer mixes their own works with faith, they are trying to serve two masters; Satan and Christ.

The Old Covenant of Law is based on the works of man and is called the crooked way.

**Lam 3:9 He hath enclosed my ways with hewn stone (represents man's works of the Law), he hath made my paths crooked.**

**Isa 59:8 The way of peace they do not know; there is no justice in their paths. They have turned them into crooked roads; no one who walks along them will know peace.**

The crooked way seems right to carnal mankind but it only leads to death (Prov 16:25). That is why scripture says that Satan is the crooked serpent and that is why Moses placed a serpent on a pole to temporarily give life to the Israelites when they sinned. The serpent on the pole represented Satan and his crooked way of man's works (the Old Covenant of Law).

**Num 21:8 And the LORD said unto Moses, Make thee a fiery serpent, and set it upon a pole: and it shall come to pass, that every one that is bitten, when he looketh upon it, shall live.**

Don't confuse the crooked way with the Law being crooked, it is not. The crooked way is only man's attempt by their own works to follow the Law to make themselves righteous before God. This false way will only clothe a person in filthy rags and not in the white robe of Christ's righteousness.

In contrast to the Old Covenant of Law, the New Covenant of Grace through Faith is based solely on the works of Christ and is called the straight way. The straight way is the only path that leads to the Father.

The Old Covenant of Law is represented by the spirit word "Old Wine" (red wine) and the New Covenant is represented by the spirit word "New Wine".

When a believer mixes these two wines together, Satan will bite them and spiritually kill them. This is the sin that leads to death.



**Prov 23:26 My son, give me thine heart, and let thine eyes observe my ways. 27 For a whore is a deep ditch; and a strange woman is a narrow pit. 28 She also lieth in wait as for a prey, and increaseth the transgressors among men. 29 Who hath woe? who hath sorrow? who hath contentions? who hath babbling? who hath wounds without cause? who hath redness of eyes? 30 They that tarry long at the wine; they that go to seek mixed wine. 31 Look not thou upon the wine when it is red (**Old Wine**), when it giveth his colour in the cup, when it moveth itself (**man's works**) aright. 32 At the last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder.**

Christ also used the wine analogy to teach this additional message:

**Luke 5:39 No man also having drunk old wine straightway desireth new: for he saith, The old is better.**

After Christ gives a person the Early Rain of the Spirit, they will remain spiritually blind, carnally minded and unconverted. In this condition, they will still prefer the Old Wine of man's works. It is only after Christ comes to the "babe" a second time and pours out the Latter Rain of the Spirit that they will finally prefer the New Wine and begin travelling the straight way.

Christ "typed" the conversion event of an Elect believer in the story below:

**Luke 13:11 And, behold, there was a woman (**Bride of Christ/Elect**) which had a spirit of infirmity (**man's marred & carnal spirit**) eighteen years, and was bowed together, and could in no wise lift up herself (**could provide no works for her salvation**). 12 And when Jesus saw her, he called her to him (**by giving her the Early Rain of the Spirit**), and said unto her, Woman, thou art loosed from thine infirmity. 13 And he laid his hands on her (**poured out the Latter Rain of the Spirit**): and immediately she was made straight (**faithful**), and glorified God.**

You would do well to believe the scriptures I posted.

God's Word says to call out to the Lord and He will show you mighty things that you do not know:

**Jer 33:3 'Call to Me, and I will answer you, and show you great and mighty things, which you do not know.'**

Truth comes from no other source - and certainly not from a person's supposed free will abilities and carnal reasoning.

Joe