JESUS IS THE ANSWER

(Rev 1:8 KJV) 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.

1. EVERYTHING BEGINS AND ENDS WITH JESUS.

- 1. He was in the beginning, and He'll be there at the end.
- 2. He is, has always been, and will always be the Almighty.
- 3. He's the author and finisher of our faith.
 - 1. He started it, and He'll finish it. (Phil 1:6 KJV) Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ:
 - 2. (Heb 12:2 KJV) Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.
- 4. In Him is life.
 - 1. (John 1:4 KJV) In him was life; and the life was the light of men.
 - 2. (John 14:6 KJV) Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.
- 5. There is no life outside of Him.
 - 1. (John 15:5 KJV) I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.
 - 2. (1 John 5:12 KJV) He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.
 - 3. (Acts 17:28 KJV) For in him we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said, For we are also his offspring.

2. JESUS IS THE ANSWER TO EVERY PROBLEM.

- 1. What is your problem? I have the answer!
- 2. The most pressing problems of our nation.
 - 1. Drugs.
 - 2. Illicit sex.
 - 1. Promiscuity.
 - 2. No sense of guilt or shame.
 - 3. Premarital sex.
 - 4. Extramarital sex.
 - 5. Perverted sex.
 - 6. Pornography.
 - 7. Teenage pregnancy.
 - 3. Escalating crime.
 - 4. Truth in government.
 - 5. Moral issues.
 - 6. Sin problem in general.
- 3. Good News! Jesus is the answer!

- 1. Lost? He's our savior.
- 2. Sick? He's our healer.
- 3. Oppressed? He's the lifter of our heads.
- 4. Bound? He's our deliverer.

4. It's Jesus and only Jesus!

- 1. Only Jesus can save.
- 2. Only Jesus can deliver.
- 3. Only Jesus can heal.
- 4. Only Jesus can give life.

5. No one else can do it!

- 1. Not Mohammed; not Buddha.
- 2. No political party can solve the major problems of this nation!
 - 1. Righteousness exalts a nation.
 - 2. Righteousness can only come through Jesus!

3. PREACHING JESUS.

- 1. **Philip preached Jesus.** (Acts 8:5 KJV) Then Philip went down to the city of Samaria, and preached Christ unto them. (Acts 8:6 KJV) And the people with one accord gave heed unto those things which Philip spake, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did. (Acts 8:7 KJV) For unclean spirits, crying with loud voice, came out of many that were possessed with them: and many taken with palsies, and that were lame, were healed. (Acts 8:8 KJV) And there was great joy in that city.
- 2. *Sirs, we would see Jesus!* (John 12:21 KJV) The same came therefore to Philip, which was of Bethsaida of Galilee, and desired him, saying, Sir, we would see Jesus.
- 3. Keeping our eyes upon Jesus.
 - 1. None other. (Mat 17:4 KJV) Then answered Peter, and said unto Jesus, Lord, it is good for us to be here: if thou wilt, let us make here three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias. (Mat 17:5 KJV) While he yet spake, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them: and behold a voice out of the cloud, which said, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him. (Mat 17:6 KJV) And when the disciples heard it, they fell on their face, and were sore afraid. (Mat 17:7 KJV) And Jesus came and touched them, and said, Arise, and be not afraid. (Mat 17:8 KJV) And when they had lifted up their eyes, they saw no man, save Jesus only.
 - 2. Peter walking on the water. (Mat 14:26 KJV) And when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, It is a spirit; and they cried out for fear. (Mat 14:27 KJV) But straightway Jesus spake unto them, saying, Be of good cheer; it is I; be not afraid. (Mat 14:28 KJV) And Peter answered him and said, Lord, if it be thou, bid me come unto thee on the water. (Mat 14:29 KJV) And he said, Come. And when

Peter was come down out of the ship, he walked on the water, to go to Jesus. (Mat 14:30 KJV) But when he saw the wind boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink, he cried, saying, Lord, save me. (Mat 14:31 KJV) And immediately Jesus stretched forth his hand, and caught him, and said unto him, O thou of little faith, wherefore didst thou doubt?

- 3. Thou hast the words of life. (John 6:67 KJV) Then said Jesus unto the twelve, Will ye also go away? (John 6:68 KJV) Then Simon Peter answered him, Lord, to whom shall we go? thou hast the words of eternal life.
- 4. *If I be lifted up*. (John 12:32 KJV) And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me.

4. IF JESUS IS THE ANSWER, HOW DOES IT WORK?

- 1. Let go and let God.
 - 1. Without faith...
 - 2. Must believe He is rewarder.
- 2. Trust Him.
 - 1. Trust is more than believing He can and will do a thing.
 - 2. Trust is committing our lives to Him.
- 3. Jesus is not a universal or cosmic bellhop there ready to jump at our every command. He is not our servant; we are His.

5. WHAT MUST I DO?

- 1. What must I do to be saved? (Acts 16:30 KJV) And brought them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved? (Acts 16:31 KJV) And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.
- 2. Believe.
 - 1. (John 3:15 KJV) That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life. (John 3:16 KJV) For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.
 - 2. (John 3:18 KJV) He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.
 - 3. (John 3:36 KJV) He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.
- 3. Believe and confess.
 - 1. (Rom 10:9 KJV) That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.
 - 2. (Rom 10:10 KJV) For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.