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Thoughts from our Pastor:

I Am the Lord...I will not give my glory to another!!!

"I am the LORD: that is my name: and my glory will I not give to another, neither my praise to graven images." Isaiah 42:8

I am Yahweh, the Self-Existent or Eternal; Jehovah, He is Lord to His people, but one day over every human being who has ever lived. God said in Romans 14:11 *"For it is written, As I live, saith the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God."* This will occur during the final judgement of humanity, at the Great White Throne. Every soul that died lost, that refused to truly recognize Him as Lord, and as Saviour, will bow and recognize Him as just that. What makes us know when Saul of Tarsus was truly saved, when he recognized Jesus as Lord and His supremacy over him. *"And he trembling and astonished said, Lord, what wilt thou have me to do..."* Acts 9:6 Paul as we know him recognized Jesus as "supreme in authority". Every saved soul recognizes Jesus as Lord, as Saviour, and everything we need is in Jesus. God said, *"Where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond nor free: but Christ is all, and in all."* Colossians 3:11 The greatest thing about salvation, it is the same for everyone no matter who you are, where you were born, nor what color you are, Jesus is Lord and He saves every lost sinner that comes to Him for salvation. Because He is Lord, He is Saviour, you absolutely need nothing but Jesus to save your soul. This is what makes Jesus God, He is the same self-existent God that created everything, and is Lord over everything. Jesus is the *"Christ that is all things and in all things."* In salvation you need nothing but Jesus Christ.

*"my glory will I not give to another, neither my praise to graven images." The glory, honor, or praise that is due to Me. Because of His Supremacy over all things, nothing shapes Him, nothing turns Him, nothing challenges Him, and nothing helps Him. God has an ordained will, He has predestinated, He has all power, and all glory is due Him and He will share it with none else. *"Tell ye, and bring them near; yea, let them take counsel together: who hath declared this from ancient time? who hath told it from that time? have not I the LORD? and there is no God else beside me; a just God and a Saviour; there is none beside me. (22) Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I am God, and there is none else."* Isaiah 45:21 - 22 This is why God refuses to share glory with another, everything is His. *"I, even I, am the LORD; and beside me there is no saviour."* Isaiah 43:11 God*

shares no glory because He is everything, and nothing is anything without Him, nothing exists without Him, there is no salvation for people without Him. He shares no glory for His work. Salvation is God's work, from start to finish. He is our God and Saviour and there is none else! God said about Jesus, "*For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.*" Luke 2:11 The word "Saviour" means - a deliverer – Salvation is the glory of Jesus Christ and not man, He does not share it. However, for thousands of years man has rejected God, they have rejected God's glory due Him in the Old Testament days by the worship of false god's. They rejected His glory due Him in freeing them from captivity and Pharaoh. People reject Him today and will worship anything but the True God. The question must be asked, is Jesus Saviour of mankind or not? If yes than we must believe with all our hearts that He is, and reject everything else, even ourselves. People have been trying to save themselves unsuccessfully since time began. Satan tries to steal God's glory and lost people try to steal God's glory. People cannot accept Jesus as Saviour or as our True Deliverer since He was born. He was crucified because He proclaimed His true identity as the Messiah, and the True Saviour. If God saves sinners, if Jesus is the True Deliverer, then do they need our assistance? If they did then wouldn't they need to share Their glory with us, making us equal partners in salvation? Wouldn't that make God a liar when He said, "*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.*" Ephesians 2:8 - 10 or when He said, "*For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren. (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.*" Romans 8:29 – 30 How could God say this if He shares His work of salvation with us, how could God promise predestination, calling, justifying, and glorifying, if any of salvation is a work on our part? Aren't people that call themselves Christians, churches, and believers, lying to themselves and calling God a liar, and stealing God's due glory for salvation?

"I not give to another, neither my praise to graven images" What exactly is a "graven image", it is defined as -an *idol*: - carved (graven) image" It is an image of something you have no proof that it is a genuine image, or anything worshiped. Images of Jesus Christ are all fake, crosses are false idols, or anything outside of the worship of the True God fits in this thought. All praise is due God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit, no glory belongs to anything else, if anything besides Them are worshiped it is false worship, even your works for salvation. Romans 1:25 "*Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen.*" Do not be a false worshipper of God.

No sin can be little!

By John Bunyan, 1678

No sin can be little, because it is committed against the great God of heaven and earth.

To commit little sins — the sinner must find a little god!

"In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace!" Ephesians 1:7

"The blood of Jesus, His Son, purifies us from all sin." 1 John 1:7

Church News!

- Happy Birthday to Brother Timothy Fails, Sunday February 12th
- Happy Birthday to Sister Dawana Reigel, Wednesday February 15th