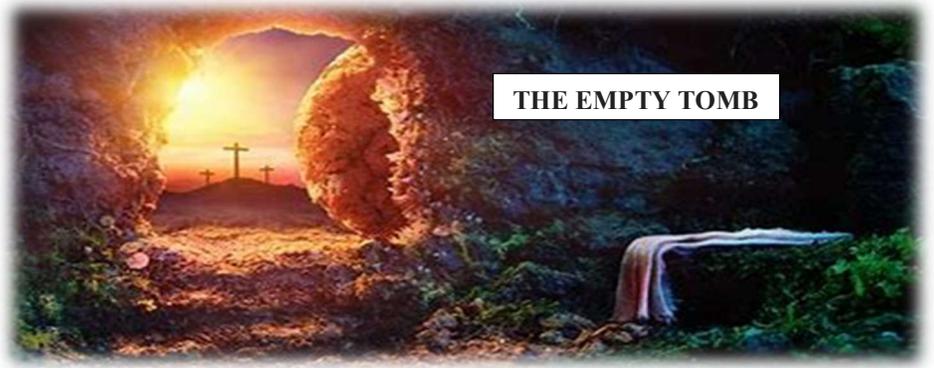


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***There is no other way to be “saved” today except by “believing & trusting” that Jesus Christ paid for all your sins on the cross***



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**Topic> Christ & the 12 Apostles Preached Repent and be water Baptized for the Remission of sins. Not Forgiveness of sins.**

**Ephesians 3:9 KJV** “And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ:”

The mystery of the cross **was a secret hid in God** from the beginning of the world. It was a mystery **until it was revealed to the Apostle Paul in Acts 9** by our risen Savior Jesus Christ. **So there was no way anybody knew about it, including the 12 apostles.**

The 12 Apostles preached about **Israel’s promised Kingdom on earth** – which would be accompanied by the resurrection of all the old Testament Saints and beginning with the 1,000 year millennium. **Matthew 10:6-7 KJV (Jesus speaking)** “But go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. 7 And as ye go, preach, saying, **The kingdom of heaven is at hand.**”

The “free gift” of Grace was **never ever preached by the 12 Apostles**



**Matt 10:5** Jesus Christ “**commanded them, go not into the way of the Gentiles**”

## **The 12 Apostles Did Not Preach The Cross for Salvation**

**Below are verses that show they had no idea of the preaching of Christ’s shed Blood on the cross for salvation**

### **The 12 Apostles did not understand Jesus’ Death, Burial and Resurrection**

- 1)-**Matt 16:21-22** (Jesus first began to tell them of His death yet Peter tried to prevent it.
- 2)-**Mark 8:31-32** (Another account of Peter rebuking the Lord for speaking of his death.
- 3)-**Mark 9:31-32** (After hearing about the death and resurrection of Jesus the disciples “understood not and were afraid to ask Him”
- 4)-**Luke 18:31-34** (“And they understood none of these things; and this saying was hid from them, neither knew they the things which were spoken.”

### **The 12 Apostles were in Disbelief of the Resurrection**

- 1)-**Mark 16:5-14** (They did not believe after two witnesses testified of the empty tomb.
- 2)-**Luke 24:1-4** (The ladies were perplexed about what happened to Jesus
- 3)-**Luke 24:8-12** (The stories of Jesus’ “disappearance” Peter wondered what happened.
- 4)-**John 20:2** (Mary Magdalene thought someone had stolen Jesus’ body.
- 5)-**John 20:7-9** (After seeing the empty tomb the disciples believed Mary – that someone had stolen Jesus body. They did not know about the resurrection yet.

### **The 12 Apostles did not understand the cross for salvation**

- 1)-**John 20:21-23** (Even after the resurrection, the 12 Apostles did not understand what it accomplished. Here they are given authority to remit (pardon) sins.
- 2)-**Acts 3:14-15** (The crucifixion was presented as a murder indictment to Israel at Pentecost. The resurrection as a warning that he would return to seek vengeance.
- 3)-**Acts 5:28** (Instead of the BLOOD being payment for sins it was presented as evidence of guilty murderers.
- 4)-**Acts 7:52** (Stephen accuses the rulers of betrayal and murder of the Just One.
- 5)-**Acts 10:39** (According to Peter Christ died because He was murdered by certain Jews.

**The above verses clearly show that the 12 Apostles did not know anything about the new program of Grace “the free gift” of salvation that was revealed to Saul/Paul on the way to Damascus by the Risen Lord Jesus Christ in Acts Chapter 9.**

## **The Apostle Paul Introduces “Grace” to the Gentiles**

**Rom 11:13** “For I speak to you Gentiles, inasmuch as **I am the apostle of the Gentiles**, I **magnify** mine office;” (meaning - **God appointed**)

