

We Have Found the Messiah

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Hello! This is Dorothy -

Imagine having a library of sixty-six books all in one book! A library that was literally written over many hundreds of years. Well, that is the exact description of the Bible. This Word of God unfolds God's revelation of Himself. First to one nation, and, ultimately, to all the world through the incarnation, that is, the birth of Christ. That is why on these programmes we share that it is in the Bible that we speak and open and share and encourage you. We want you to understand it is the Word of God, not some person and what their idea is or what they are saying.

We read in the **Book of Hebrews, chapter 1** in the New Testament -
1 God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets. God spoke in the partial revelation of Himself in the Old Testament. In **Psalm 95:7 and 8 - Today if ye will hear his voice . . . Harden not your heart . . .**

Then in the New Testament, He says in **Hebrews 1:2 - (God) hath in these last days spoken unto us by His Son . . .** As the Lord Jesus Christ bridged the gulf between God, the holy and eternal, and you and me, the sinner, it is therefore essential that we heed

what the Bible says. It is the Word, which sayeth the Greeks of old, “Sir, we would see Jesus.” Jesus is through all the pages of the Holy Word.

God loves us individually. He wants us to have fellowship with Him, but our sin is in the way. Therefore, He invites us to personally receive Jesus into our lives by realizing that He willingly took your sin, my sin, in His spotless body upon the Cross. He took my place. By His precious Blood, I can be Blood-bought; I can be a child of His and I can be spiritually alive. Jesus conquered death and rose again.

The believer, who receives Jesus, then becomes the vessel of His activity, not mine. Our life is changed, as by His Spirit, He indwells us. He seals His promises to the believer. That is why the Word of God is vital to my daily life.

The Apostle Peter was a disciple of the Lord Jesus Christ for three years. He had first to learn as an apprentice, or as a disciple, before he could teach others. What he had learned and experienced in the past prepared him to be able to share a rich storehouse for others and for us when we read the epistles of Peter. Peter and his brother, Andrew, were first disciples of John the Baptist. But when their teacher pointed out Jesus to Andrew as the Lamb of God, Andrew went to Peter saying, **We have found the Messiah which is, being interpreted, the Christ. (John 1:36-42).** They were

probably similar to Simeon, who years before, had held this Baby, the Son of God who had taken upon Himself flesh and had been born through a virgin. Simeon was mentioned as saying he was . . . **waiting for the consolation of Israel. (Luke 2:25)**. So were the disciples. They had been raised, looking for this One who was the promised Messiah.

Andrew brought Peter to Jesus, who looked at him and said, **Thou art Simon, the son of John: thou shalt be called Cephas, which is the rock.** However, this interview didn't immediately change him, but it showed to Peter life from an eternal position. Peter returned to Capernaum. Just like everybody else, he went about his usual job, which was fishing on the Sea of Tiberius. He was working with his partners in this little fishing organization he had with James and John. Yes, Peter's occupation was humble and yet, it seems, it was remunerative because they had this little company going. However, the day came when Peter would gladly give up any advantage he had, any position he thought was suiting him best; he would give it up in response to follow Jesus even unto death.

For the believer, the Holy Spirit indwells and works through our lives in just the common task. That is where Jesus speaks to us; that is where He finds us. Just even in the little things of the day, He is molding your life; He is making a character. Your integrity and diligence count in everything that is happening as you bring each

second of your life to Jesus for His glory. I don't know where your life is at the moment, but can you say, "I, too, have found the Messiah; I found the Lord Jesus Christ; I have found Him as my Saviour?" Then will you let this day, in every detail, be a vessel for Him work in and through you for His glory, we pray?

In Jesus' precious Name. Amen.