

Encounter Life!

Jesus Christ came to earth for one expressed purpose. He did not come just to fulfill prophecy; He did not come just to form another type of religion; He did not come just to be revealed to mankind. No! He came to deal with sin and all of the damage that it causes to us. He came that we might have life.

"The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly." John 10:10

This life goes much deeper than simply quoting a prayer at the end of a service somewhere. God desires that this life would be excessive, more abundantly than we have ever encountered! This life comes to us through the Holy Spirit's extravagant ministry in our lives. Life comes to us through Him, not through our belief system. Now everyone believes something, even the unbeliever! Everyone possesses a system of thought. That is what makes us individuals. But our unique thought systems cannot save us. Life does not come to you by your way of thinking! Life comes to us by way of Jesus Christ.

*"For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might **destroy** the works of the devil." 1 John 3:8*

Our salvation has been completely paid for by the blood of Jesus. He has utterly conquered Satan and his cohorts for us. And now He rules and reigns as King and Lord of all. And now, though His complete victory, we can choose life. View His victory as your victory. This word "destroy" means to unravel, untie, or unloose. For the works of the devil to be destroyed and broken down, first, they have to be untied! We must allow Jesus to come and unravel all of the ravages of sin in our lives. Jesus Christ was manifested for that purpose, so that He might destroy all of the works of the devil against you. These works make you captive in your mind. They bind you up. They hold you back. They prevent you from having life more abundantly. What should I do? What first step must I take? Well, you don't have to do anything. He has done it all! Shift your thinking into God's way of thinking, dare to believe God! Then you will be in a position to receive. Receive His love and mercy. Let the completed work of Christ rule today over you. Let Him destroy all the works of the devil lodged in your thinking. Let all of the things which bind you be untied. Be still, listen, and receive! Abundance begins today.

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