

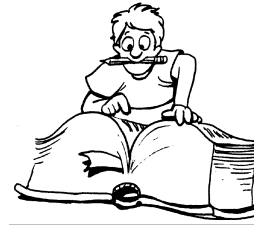


I BELIEVE

If you have never believed in Jesus Christ as your Savior, take a moment now to know that God the Father loves us and sent His Son, Jesus Christ, down from heaven to become a man to pay the penalty for all of our sins and not only ours but for the sins of the whole world. He was without sin and He paid the price for everyone's sins on the cross. After that He was buried in a tomb and then rose again from the dead. If you believe in Jesus, you will spend eternity with God in heaven forever and no one can snatch you out of God's hands! This is God's TRUTH.

John 3:16 "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life."

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1 Timothy 2:3-6 This is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God and one mediator also between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave Himself [priesthood] as a ransom for all, the testimony [prophet] given at the proper time.

The work or service of Christ is to explain God to the creation - to be the **mediator** between God and man. The mediator places himself between two parties who are in conflict, and works to gain the reconciliation or peace between them. God, the first party, did nothing wrong, so He only required a communicator to explain Himself to His creation, the second party. This is Christ in His office as **Prophet**. The prophet **speaks** the message of God to the people. He explains God to the people. God provided Jesus Christ to be a spokesperson for Him to us!

Mankind was the guilty party. Something had to be done to satisfy God's justice because of the sin issue: the original sin of Adam; the old sin nature; and personal sins. So the Mediator had to perform the duties of rendering or giving satisfaction and also interceding on behalf of mankind. This is Christ in His office as **Priest**. The priest **speaks and acts** on behalf of the people to God. He offers the sacrifice (acts) and He intercedes (speaks to God for us). Jesus Christ is still interceding for us, but the act - the Cross - has been accomplished!

Finally, Jesus Christ exercises kingly authority over all creatures, to the glory of God and the good of His people. It is the job of the king to **gather up the people and govern them**; this is what Christ our **King** is doing with

the Royal Family of God. This includes delivering us and protecting us from our enemies! It is good to have Jesus Christ as our King. He is fighting for us, He is our Head, and He governs us! He will serve in His office as **King** for all of eternity! Look what God has provided through Christ!



Matthew 17:5 While he was still speaking, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and behold a voice out of the cloud said, "This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well-pleased; listen to Him!"

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Jesus Christ

Our Mediator

Prophet, Priest, and King!

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