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Jn. 7:17 If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself.

Mt. 27:25 Then answered all the people, and said, His blood be on us, and on our children.

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Acts 5:29 Then Peter and the *other* apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather than men.

Luke 12:4 And I say unto you my friends, Be not afraid of them that kill the body, and after that have no more that they can do.

5 But I will forewarn you whom ye shall fear: Fear him, which after he hath killed hath power to cast into hell; yea, I say unto you, Fear him.

(b) The Question of Liability, 5:30-32

i. The Truth About the Cross, 5:30

Acts 5:30 The God of our fathers raised up Jesus, whom ye slew and hanged on a tree.

Gal. 3:13 Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree:

Deut. 21:22 And if a man have committed a sin worthy of death, and he be to be put to death, and thou hang him on a tree:

23 His body shall not remain all night upon the tree, but thou shalt in any wise bury him that day; (for he that is hanged is accursed of God;) that thy land be not defiled, which the LORD thy God giveth thee for an inheritance.

1 Pet. 2:24 Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed.

God's way is the only way of salvation in the person of the Lord Jesus Christ – Jn. 14:6.

The greatest of all human tragedies is to reject God's plan, and His Son. If the Gospel be hid...

- 2 Cor. 4:3 But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: 4 In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.
- 5 For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake.
- 6 For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to *give* the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

ii. The Truth About the Christ, 5:31-32

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Luke 22:67 Art thou the Christ? tell us. And he said unto them, If I tell you, ye will not believe:

- 68 And if I also ask you, ye will not answer me, nor let me go.
- 69 Hereafter shall the Son of man sit on the right hand of the power of God.
- 70 Then said they all, Art thou then the Son of God? And he said unto them, Ye say that I am.
- 71 And they said, What need we any further witness? for we ourselves have heard of his own mouth.

- Luke 5:20 And when he saw their faith, he said unto him, Man, thy sins are forgiven thee.
- 21 And the scribes and the Pharisees began to reason, saying, Who is this which speaketh blasphemies? Who can forgive sins, but God alone? ...
- 24 But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power upon earth to forgive sins, (he said unto the sick of the palsy,) I say unto thee, Arise, and take up thy couch, and go into thine house.

Dan. 9:26 And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof *shall be* with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined.

Rev. 1:5 And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,

Holman Christian Standard Bible

God exalted this man to His right hand as ruler and Savior, to grant repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins.

King James Bible

Him hath God exalted with his right hand to be a Prince and a Saviour, for to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins.

New International Version

We are witnesses of these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him."

New American Standard Bible

"And we are witnesses of these things; and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey Him."

Holman Christian Standard Bible

We are witnesses of these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey Him."

Douay-Rheims Bible

And we are witnesses of these things and the Holy Ghost, whom God hath given to all that obey him.

King James Bible

And we are his witnesses of these things; and so is also the Holy Ghost, whom God hath given to them that obey him.

Conclusion

Jn. 3:36 He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.

Jn. 6:29 Jesus answered and said unto them, This is the work of God, that ye believe on him whom he hath sent.

Rom. 8:9 But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his.

Acts 4:12 Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

1 Cor. 3:9 For we are labourers together with God: ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building.

10 According to the grace of God which is given unto me, as a wise masterbuilder, I have laid the foundation, and another buildeth thereon. But let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon.

11 For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ.