# **His Testimony and Judgement Is True**

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"Then Jesus spoke again unto them, saying, '<u>Lam the Light of the World; he who follows Me</u> shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the Light of Life.' The Pharisees therefore said unto Him, 'You are testifying about Yourself; Your testimony is not true.' Jesus answered and said unto them, 'Though <u>I testify of Myself</u>, yet <u>My testimony is true</u>; for I know from where I came, and where I go; but you cannot tell from where I come, and where I go. You judge after the flesh. I judge no man; and yet <u>if I judge</u>, <u>My judgment is true</u>; for I am not alone, but I and the <u>Father who sent Me</u>. It is also written in your law, that the testimony of two men is true. I am the-One testifying about Myself, and the Father who sent Me testifies about Me.' " (John 8:12-18)

Testify: from the Greek word *martyro* a verb which means: to testify, or to bear witness;

Testimony: from the Greek word *martyria* a noun which means: <u>a testimony</u>, or <u>a witness</u>;

**True:** from the Greek word <u>alethine</u> an adjective which means: <u>made of truth;</u> true, real, genuine. In context: everything Jesus says about Himself <u>is true</u>.

**Judgment:** from the Greek word <u>krisis</u> which means: judgement; in the since of a decision, or a verdict, or sentence; or of justice, etc.. (that can apply either to a <u>positive verdict</u> (for righteousness) or more commonly, a <u>negative verdict</u> which condemns the nature of sin that brings it on. An opinion or decision given concerning anything, especially concerning justice and injustice, right and wrong. In context Jesus is saying that His Judgement is true because His judgement (whether for a positive or negative verdict) comes directly from the God the Father.

**True:** from the Greek word <u>*alethes*</u> an adjective which means: unconcealed, true, true in fact, truthful. In context: each and every Judgement Jesus speaks about others <u>is true</u>.

In context the following attributes of Jesus are trustworthy and **True**:

- 1. the Testimony of Christ Jesus concerning Himself !
- 2. the Judgement of Christ Jesus concerning others !

#### 1. The Testimony of Christ Jesus Concerning Himself:

Jesus said, "If I testify <u>of Myself</u>, My testimony is not true. There is another who testifies about Me; and I know that the testimony which he testified of Me <u>is true</u>. You sent unto John (the Baptist), and he bore witness unto the Truth. But I do not receive testimony <u>from man</u>; but these things I say, so that you might be saved. He (the Baptist) was a burning and a shining light; and you were willing for a season to rejoice in his light. But I have greater testimony than that of John: for <u>the works</u> which the Father has given Me to finish, <u>the same</u> works that I do, <u>testify about Me</u>, that the Father <u>has sent Me</u>. And the Father Himself, who has sent Me, <u>has testified about Me</u>." (John 5:31-37)

Consider the following "I am" testimonies of Jesus concerning Himself which are truly true:

"I am the light of the world; he who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the Light of Life." (John 8:12 – see above in context)

"I am the Good Shepherd; the Good Shepherd gives His life for the sheep." (see John 10:11-18)

"Take My yoke upon you, and learn of me; for **I am** <u>meek and lowly in heart</u>, and you shall find rest for your souls." (see Matthew 11:28-30)

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"I am the Bread of Life; he who comes to Me shall never hunger; and he who believes on Me shall never thirst." (see John 6:26-35)

"I am the Resurrection, and the Life; he who believes in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live." (see John 11:17-27)

"I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life; no man comes unto the Father, but through Me." (see John 14:1-6-11)

**"I am** <u>The (True) Vine</u>, and you are the branches: He who abides in Me, and I in him, he brings forth much fruit; for <u>without Me you can do nothing</u>." (see John 15:1-6)

"I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." (see Matthew 28:16-20)

"I am <u>He who lives, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore</u>. Amen! And I have the keys of Hades and of death." (see Revelation 1:9-18)

#### 2. the Judgement of Christ Jesus concerning others:

"Truly, truly, I say unto you: the hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and those who hear shall live. For as the Father has Life in Himself; so He has given to the Son to have Life in Himself; **and has given Him authority to execute judgment also**, because he is the Son of Man. Marvel not at this, for the hour is coming, in the which all who are in the graves shall hear His voice, and shall come forth; those who have done good, unto the Resurrection of Life; and those who have done evil, unto the Resurrection of Damnation. I can of My own self <u>do nothing (i.e. make no judgement)</u>; **as I hear, I judge; and My judgment is just; because I seek not My own will, but the will of the Father who has sent Me**." (John 5:25-30)

"If you fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself,' you do well. But if you show partiality (towards persons), <u>you commit sin, and are convicted</u> <u>of the law as transgressors</u>. For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one <u>point, he is guilty of all</u>. For He who said, 'Do not commit adultery,' also said, 'Do not kill.' Now if you do not commit adultery, yet if you kill, you have become a transgressor of the Law. So speak, and so act, as those who **shall be judged by the Law of Liberty**. For he shall receive **judgment** without mercy, who has shown no mercy. <u>Mercy exults-over (or triumphs-over) judgment</u>." (James 2:8-13)

The context, above, is that even though we are all guilty of transgressing the Mosaic Law of God, we are now, in Christ Jesus, to be judged by the New Covenant 'Law of Liberty' (which is <u>a Law of Mercy</u>); and thus leading to a Judgement of positive merciful Justice! However, this Law of Liberty and Mercy is declared to be voided for those who show no mercy towards others. For those who show no mercy towards others, they shall instead receive judgement without mercy. Consider also the following testimony of Jesus:

"Jesus cried and said, "He who believes on Me, believes not on Me, but on Him (the Father) who sent Me. And he who sees Me sees Him who sent Me. I have come as Light into the world, so that whoever believes in Me should not abide in darkness. And if any man hears My words, and believes not, <u>I do not judge him</u>; for I came **not to judge the world, but to save the world**. He who rejects Me, and receives not My words, has one that judges him; <u>even **the word** that I have spoken, the **same** shall judge him in the last day. For I have not spoken of Myself; <u>but the Father who sent Me, He gave Me a commandment, what I should say, and what I should speak</u>. And I know that **His commandment is Life Everlasting**; whatever I speak therefore, even as the Father said unto me, <u>so I speak</u>. (John 12:44-50)</u>

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For the Gentiles who put their trust in Jesus, the <u>Judgement of the Father</u> towards them shall be brought forth <u>through Christ Jesus</u>, and declared by Christ Jesus as being that of victorious Devine Justice:

"Then the Pharisees went out, and held a council against Him (against Jesus), on how they might destroy Him. But when Jesus knew it, He withdrew Himself from there; and great multitudes followed Him, and He healed them all; and (He) warned them that they should not make Him known; so that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying, 'Behold **My Servant** (speaking of Jesus), whom I have chosen; **My Beloved**, in whom My soul is well pleased: I will put My Spirit **upon Him**, and <u>He shall declare (lit. to convey from the source) **judgment** to the Gentiles. **He** shall not strive, nor cry; nor shall any man hear **His** voice in the streets. A bruised reed shall **He** not break, and smoking flax shall **He** not quench, until **He** brings forth unto victory the **judgment** (of positive justice). <u>And in **His Name** shall</u> the Gentiles trust.'" (Matthew 12:14-21) (quote is from Isaiah 42:1)</u>

For those who believe in Jesus and come into the Light there is: forgiveness and mercy and everlasting life, instead of condemnation. For those who do not believe, consider the following testimony of Jesus:

Jesus said, "For God did not send His Son (Jesus) into the world **to condemn the world**; but that **the world through Him might be saved**. He who believes on <u>Him (Jesus</u> - speaking of Himself) **is not condemned**. but <u>he who does not believe **is condemned already**, because <u>he has not believed in the Name of the only begotten Son of God</u>. And **this is the condemnation**; that the <u>Light has come into the world</u>, and men loved the darkness rather than the Light, because their deeds were evil. For everyone who does evil hates the Light, nor comes to the Light, lest his deeds should be exposed (as being sinful). " (John 3:17-21)</u>

Jesus said "Therefore I say unto you, All manner of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven unto men; but the blasphemy against the Holy Spirit shall not be forgiven unto men. And whoever speaks a word against the Son of Man, it shall be forgiven him; but whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit, it shall not be forgiven him, <u>neither in this age</u>, and <u>neither in that to come</u>. Either make the tree good, and it's fruit good; or else make the tree corrupt, and it's fruit corrupt; for the tree is known by its fruit. O generation of vipers, how can you, being evil, speak good things? For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks. A good man out of **the good treasure of the heart** brings forth good things; and an evil man out of **the evil** they shall give account of it **in the Day of Judgment**. For by your words you shall be justified, and by you words you shall be condemned." (Matthew 12:31-37)

### The Testimony and Judgement of Jesus Is True

Everything that Jesus says about Himself is truly, truly True !! Every Judgement that Jesus makes for or against people will be just and fair – whether for Everlasting Life, or for Eternal Damnation !!

Blessed are all those sinful and guilty people who shall receive mercy and forgiveness, because they have put their trust in the Name of Savior of the World - even Jesus !!!

Lord Jesus, You are the Light & Bread of my life! You lived and died for the forgiveness of my sins; and, behold, You are alive and living in and with me for evermore !!

Thank You Lord Jesus for delivering me from darkness into Your Kingdom of Light !!