# He Testified That the Works of the World Are Evil

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"After these things Jesus walked in Galilee; for He would not walk in Judea, because the Jews **sought** <u>to kill Him</u>. Now the Jews' Feast of Tabernacles was at hand. His brothers therefore said unto Him, 'Depart from here, and go into Judea, so that Your disciples also may see the works that You do. For there is no man who does anything in secret, when he himself seeks to be (seen) in public. If You do these <u>things</u>, show Yourself to the world.' For neither did His brothers believe in Him. Then Jesus said unto them, 'My time has not yet come; but your time is always ready. The world cannot hate you; but it hates Me, because I testify of it (the world), that its works are evil." (John 7:1-7)

**I Testify:** from the Greek words <u>ego martyro</u> which mean: <u>I bear witness</u>, or <u>I testify</u>; In context: Jesus is truly testifying that the world of mankind is truly evil. It is as the prophet John the Baptist said about Jesus:

"He (Jesus) who comes from above is above all; he that is of the earth is earthly, and speaks of the earth. He who comes from Heaven is above all. And what He (Jesus) has seen and heard, that He testifies; and <u>no man receives His testimony</u>. He <u>who has</u> received His testimony has set to his seal <u>that God is true</u>. For He whom God has sent <u>speaks the</u> <u>words of God</u>; for God does not give the Spirit by measure unto Him. The Father loves the Son, and has given all things into His hand. He who believes on the Son has Everlasting Life. But he who does not believe the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abides on him." (John 3:31-36 John the Baptist speaking)

**Of It:** from the Greek words *peri autou* which means: <u>of it</u>, or <u>concerning it</u>, 'the world' In context: speaking of those people in the world who are separated form God because of sin.

As it says: "Behold, the LORD'S hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; nor His ear heavy, that it cannot hear. But <u>your iniquities **have separated** between you and your God</u>, and <u>your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear</u>. For your hands are defiled with blood, and your fingers with iniquity; your lips have spoken lies, your tongue has uttered perverse things. No one calls for justice, nor does anyone plead for truth. They trust in vanity, and speak lies; they conceive mischief, and bring forth iniquity." (Isaiah 59:1-4)

**The World:** from the Greek word <u>ho kosmos</u> which means: <u>the world</u>; worldly affairs of mankind; the inhabitants of the world; in context the Christ-less and God-less, and sinful, and Christ hating world.

**Its Works:** from the Greek word <u>autou erga</u> which means: <u>its works</u>, <u>its deeds</u>; in context: its evil sinful deeds, especially the Godless atheism of the world, that sees no need for God or His plan of salvation in and through Christ Jesus. This includes the <u>lack of good works</u> and hypocrisy of pseudo followers of Jesus, and other such theists.

**Are:** from the Greek word <u>estin</u> which means: <u>are</u>, <u>to be factually true</u> as spoken; as in 'the works and deeds of the world <u>are evil</u>'

**Evil:** from the Greek word <u>ponera</u> which means: <u>evil</u>; <u>bad</u>, <u>wicked</u>, malicious works and deeds, including the painful, toilsome, miseries that come with such evil. Also, the failure to do good works and deeds, are evil works rooted in apathy.

Jesus said that <u>the world hates Him</u> because He testified against it that the deeds of those who are of the world are evil. Whether it be an individual, or a whole city, or the religious leaders of the people, Jesus testified that their works and deeds were evil; and because of what Jesus said about them, they hate Jesus. Please consider the following:

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#### Jesus testified against individuals:

"Woe unto the world because of offenses! For it is necessary for offenses to come; but woe to that man by whom the offense comes!" (Matthew 18:7)

"But <u>woe **unto you** who are rich</u>! for you have received your consolation. <u>Woe **unto you**</u> who are full! for you shall hunger. <u>Woe **unto you**</u> who laugh now; for you shall mourn and weep. <u>Woe **unto you**</u>, when all men shall speak well of you; for so did their fathers (speak well) of the false prophets." (Luke 6:24-26)

"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: <u>and an evil man out of the evil treasure brings forth evil things</u>. But I say unto you, That <u>every idle word</u> that men shall speak, they shall give account of it in the day of judgment. For by your words you shall be justified, and **by your words you shall be condemned**. (<u>Matthew 12:34-37</u>)

"For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, **and lose his own soul**? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul? Whoever therefore shall be ashamed of Me and of My words **in this adulterous and sinful generation**; **of him** also shall the Son of Man be ashamed, when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels." (Mark 8:36-38)

"And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up, <u>so that whoever believes in Him should not perish</u>, but have Eternal Life. For God so loved the world, that he gave His <u>Only Begotten Son</u>, so that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have Everlasting Life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be saved. He who believes on Him (Jesus) is not condemned: but <u>he who does not believe is condemned already</u>, because he has not believed in the Name of the only begotten Son of God. And this is the condemnation, that <u>Light has come into the world</u>, and <u>men loved darkness rather than Light</u>, because <u>their</u> <u>deeds were evil</u>. For <u>every one who does evil</u> hates the Light, nor comes to the Light, lest his deeds should be reproved." (John 3:14-20)

#### Jesus testified against the cities where He did mighty works:

"Then **He** (Jesus) began to rebuke the cities wherein most of His mighty works were done, because they did not repent: '<u>Woe unto you</u>, Chorazin! <u>Woe unto you</u>, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works, which were done in you, had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes. But I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the day of judgment, <u>than for you</u>. And you, Capernaum, which are exalted unto heaven, shall be brought down to Hades; for if the mighty works, which have been done in you, had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day. But I say unto you, that it shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom <u>in the day of judgment</u>, <u>than for</u> <u>you</u>." (Matthew 11:20-24)

### Jesus testified against the religious rulers of Israel:

"But woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you shut up the Kingdom of Heaven against men; for you neither go in yourselves, nor do you allow those who are entering to go in. Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you devour widows' houses, and for a pretense make long prayer; therefore you travel sea and land to make one proselyte, and when he is made, you make him twofold more the child of hell than yourselves. ...... Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for you are like unto whited tombs, which indeed appear beautiful outward, but are within full of dead men's bones, and of all uncleanness. Even so you also outwardly appear righteous unto men, but within you are full of hypocrisy and iniquity." (please read in context: (Matthew 23:13-39)

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# The testimonies of Christ Jesus: that the works of the world are evil, closely match the testimony of Psalm 2. Please consider the following:

"Why do the nations rage, and the people imagine a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, <u>against the LORD</u>, <u>and against His</u> <u>Anointed (the Messiah Jesus)</u>, saying, 'Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us.' But <u>He</u> who sits in the heavens shall laugh, <u>the Lord</u> shall hold them in derision. Then <u>He</u> shall speak unto them <u>in His wrath</u>, and distress them in His sore displeasure. 'Yet <u>I have set My King (Jesus)</u> upon My Holy Hill of Zion. I will declare the decree; the LORD has said unto <u>Me (Jesus)</u>, 'You are <u>My Son</u>; this day have I begotten You.' Ask of Me (God the Father), and I shall give You (Jesus) the nations for Your inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for your possession. <u>You shall break them with a rod of iron</u>; You shall dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel. Be wise now therefore, O you kings (of the nations); be instructed, you judges of the earth. <u>Serve the LORD with fear</u>, and rejoice with trembling. <u>Kiss the Son</u>, <u>lest He be angry</u>, and you perish from the way, when <u>His</u> wrath is kindled but a little. <u>Blessed are all those who put their trust in Him</u>." (<u>Psalm 2:1-12</u>)

#### Jesus spoke the following exhortations to His disciples, and to everyone:

"Then said Jesus unto His disciples, 'If any man will come after Me, let him <u>deny himself</u>, and take up his cross, **and follow** <u>Me</u>. For whoever will save his life shall lose it; <u>and whoever will</u> <u>lose his life for my sake shall find it</u>. For what does it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, <u>and lose his own soul</u>? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul? For the <u>Son of Man</u> (Jesus) shall <u>come in the glory of His Father with His angels</u>; and then He shall reward every man according to his works." (<u>Matthew 16:24-27</u>)

"Jesus cried out and said, 'He who believes in Me, believes not on Me, but on <u>Him</u> (the Father) who sent Me. And he who **sees Me sees Him** who sent Me. I have come as a Light into the world, so that whoever believes in Me **should not abide in darkness**. And if any man hear My words, <u>and does not believe</u>, I judge him not; for I came not to judge the world, <u>but to</u> <u>save the world</u>. He who rejects Me, and receives not My words, has <u>one</u> that judges him; the word that I have spoken, <u>the same shall judge him in the Last Day</u>." (John 12:44-50)

"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, <u>unto the resurrection of Life</u>; and those who have **done evil**, unto the resurrection **of damnation**. (John 5:28-29)

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Jesus said that an evil person brings forth evil things out of the evil treasure of the heart ! The iniquities and sins of people have resulted in a separation from God ! People who will not believe upon the Name of Jesus are condemned ! Their destiny is the to be the resurrection of damnation !

But God so loved the world, that He gave His Only Begotten Son Jesus, so that <u>whoever</u> believes in Him should not perish, but have Everlasting Life !! For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that <u>the world</u> through Him might be saved !!

> Thank Jesus for restoring us back to the Father ! Thank You Father for sending Jesus to be our Lord and Savior !

I look forward to the Resurrection of Life within Your Eternal Kingdom !! Please come again soon Lord Jesus !! Amen! and Amen!