

## "SOLUS CHRISTUS"

(Hebrews 1, 1 Timothy 2:5, 1 Corinthians 2:2)

Series: The Five Solas of the Reformation (Part 4)

...When you think of the great men and women who have lived in days long passed perhaps there are a few that really stand out from the crowd. Outstanding people in medicine, science, education, government, and the church, often come to mind. However, there is one who truly has no equals. His greatness is utterly beyond us. His name is Jesus. He is the greatest person to have ever walked on the earth. He is Creator and our Redeemer.

...Today we will consider the 4th "Solas" of the Reformation, "Solus Christus." Christ alone! Jesus is the only way of knowing what God is really like...and the only way of entering into a relationship with God as Father instead of judge...and the only way of being saved from His wrath. Hebrews 1 unfolds for us the glory and work of Jesus...

### TWO CONSIDERATIONS UPON THE UNIQUENESS OF CHRIST MOVING US TO EMBRACE JESUS ALONE AS SAVIOR AND LORD.

..."Jesus said, I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life, no one comes unto the Father except through Me."(John 14:6)

#### I. Common Current Thoughts: Attempts To Diminish The Uniqueness of Jesus.

- A. Can a person be saved by nature alone? (Romans 1:18-25, 10:13-17)
  - 1. Creation has much to tell us of God our Creator. (Psalm 19:1-6) However, sinful fallen men and women "suppress the truth," and worship and serve lower forms of life.
  - 2. Creation was never designed to provide salvation, but it was given to lead us to God.
- B. Is the innocent African who never heard of Jesus really lost? (Romans 3:23, 6:23)
  - 1. This question assumes that there is someone, somewhere that is innocent. False!  
...God's final opinion of this subject, "All have sinned and come short..."
  - 2. Remember two things:  
...The Bible tells us, "God commands all people everywhere to repent and believe upon Jesus."  
...Furthermore, Acts 17:24-27 tells that God sovereignly establishes all the periods and boundaries of all people in the world. "How shall they hear without a preacher?"
- C. Don't all world "religions" worship and serve the same God? (1 Timothy 2:5)
  - 1. Our pluralistic, soppy thinking day loves to lump all "religions into one pot..."
  - 2. However, Jesus clearly taught otherwise. He told the Jews of His day, "You are of your father the Devil." Jesus told the woman at the well, "You worship what you do not know..." Satan disguises himself as "An angel of light" to deceive the nations.  
..."Wide and broad is the way that leads to destruction and many are on that road."

#### II. Uncommon Uniqueness: Jesus Christ, As Our Creator and Savior, Stands Alone.

- ...The Bible is all about Jesus from cover to cover. (Luke 24:27) Hebrews 1 unfolds the glory of the Lord.
- A. Jesus is the heir, the owner of everything in the entire universe. (Hebrews 1:2)  
...This is a gift from the Father. Amazing to think about this One who worked as a carpenter...
  - B. Jesus is the Creator of everything in the universe. Billions of galaxies, billions of stars... All things were made by Him and for Him. (Col. 1:16) Jesus made space, time, energy and all matter.
  - C. Jesus is the "Radiance of God." He expresses or displays God's glory. To see Jesus is to see God the Father. To know Jesus, to listen to Him, to touch Him is to know what God is like.

- D. Jesus is the perfect reflection of the Father. Jesus is the perfect reflection of Him. In this Jesus displayed the Father's love, grace, kindness, compassion, righteous anger, and sinless.
- E. Jesus sustains the present universe and will bring it to its predetermined ending. (v.3) Jesus is pictured here as bearing it all up and carrying it. "He's got the whole world in His hands."
- F. Jesus alone provided the cleansing for sin. (v.3) His was a completed work. Finished. This was His great work in providing for our salvation. His death is "The death of death."
- G. Jesus alone is exalted above everything. (v. 3) "He sat down at the right hand of the Father."  
 ...Though many today curse His name, the day is coming when everyone will bow their knee before Him and confess His name as Lord Jesus Christ. "King of Kings, and Lord of Lords."  
 ...No wonder of all the things Paul could have taught, His focus was entirely upon the Lord Jesus Christ. He told those at Corinth, "When I came to you, brothers, I did not come with lofty speech or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except JESUS CHRIST AND HIM CRUCIFIED." Solus Christus!

### SO WHAT? WHAT DIFFERENCE SHOULD THIS MAKE IN YOUR LIFE?

1. Remember we are in spiritual warfare, so don't be surprised when you see and hear the glory of the Lord Jesus being diminished. Satan hates the Lord and will do anything to keep people from knowing and loving Him. "Take your stand by putting on the whole armor of God..."
2. Jesus is the greatest person in the entire universe. To know Him as your Savior and Lord is to know the only One worth knowing. If you know Him then you need not know anyone else. The amazing wonder of this is that in eternity we will be near Him and with Him forever.
3. Really take it to heart, that if there was any other way to be saved, then Jesus did not really need to endure His Cross and die the horrible death He died. Hear His words again, "I am the way, the truth and the life, no one comes to the Father except through Me."
4. Have you acted upon God's command...have you repented of your sin and believed upon the Lord Jesus as your Savior? This is the only way for you to be saved. Bow your knee now, and confess Him today voluntarily, if not, one day God will extract this confession from you...but then it will be too late for you.