

Is One Religion As Good As Another?

This question has been around for more years than I have been alive. In fact, the writer of the letter to the Hebrews dealt with the truth that Jesus is superior to Moses, the angels and the priesthood of man. *“Having become by so much better than the angels, as he hath inherited a more excellent name than they”* (Hebrews 1:4). *“For he hath been counted worthy of more glory than Moses, by so much as he that built the house hath more honor than the house. For every house is builded by some one; but he that built all things is God. And Moses indeed was faithful in all his house as a servant, for a testimony of those things which were afterward to be spoken; ⁶but Christ as a son, over his house; whose house are we, if we hold fast our boldness and the glorying of our hope firm unto the end”* (Hebrews 3:3-6).

If one religion was as good as another, then it would not be the case that Jesus and His last will and testament would be no better than Moses or the Jewish religion. Paul said, *“Having knowledge of me from the first, if they be willing to testify, that after the strictest sect of our religion I lived a Pharisee”* (Acts 26:5). If all religions were the same, then why did Paul change his religion? Obviously, the religion of Christ is better.

If one religion is as good as another, then it would be the case that manmade institutions would be as good as the church of our Lord. *“And I also say unto thee, that thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it”* (Matthew 16:18) . We know that this is not correct because salvation is in the name of Jesus. *“And in none other is there salvation: for neither is there any other name under heaven, that is given among men, wherein we must be saved”* (Acts 4:12). If salvation is in the name of Christ, and it is, then there is no salvation any where else. Is a religion that cannot bring salvation as good as one that does? The answer, of course, is no!

If one religion was as good as another then a religion that denies Christ would be as good as one that accepts the religion of Christ? Any religion that is based on any one other than Jesus is without foundation. *“For other foundation can no man lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ”* (1 Corinthians 3:11).

Let us make no mistake. Jesus the Christ is the savior of mankind and He is the only savior. Therefore, no matter how popular a religion might be, it cannot stand against one that is of the Lord Jesus Christ.

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