## What Jehovah's Witnesses Miss

A religious group known as Jehovah's Witnesses deny the Word of God and instead have accepted the writings of a man named Charles Taze Russell [February 16, 1852 – October 31, 1916]. Referred to as JW's, they are deeply religious but are not in any sense Christian. In their religion, they deny the deity of Jesus Christ as God the Son, **THE** creator of the world and all that is. "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth." {Genesis 1:1} "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made." {John 1:1-3}

Sadly, because of their unbelief, here are a few Bible truths that the JW's miss out on.

**Deity of Christ:** "God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, Hath in these last days spoken unto us by *his* Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds; Who being the brightness of *his* glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;" Hebrews 1:1-3

**Sin forgiven and under the blood:** "Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus: Whom God hath set forth *to be* a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God;" Romans 3:24-25

"Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:" 1 Peter 1:18-19

**Assurance of salvation:** "And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. He that hath the Son hath life; *and* he that hath not the Son of God hath not life. These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God." 1 John 5:11-13

**Eternal life:** "And no man hath ascended up to heaven, but he that came down from heaven, *even* the Son of man which is in heaven. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man [*Jesus Christ*] be lifted up [*on the Cross of Calvary*]: That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life." John 3:13-15

**Indwelling Holy Spirit:** "Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and *that* the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?" 1 Corinthians 3:16

**Fellowship with God:** "That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love, May be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God." Ephesians 3:17-19

**Home in Heaven:** "Now he that hath wrought us for the selfsame thing *is* God, who also hath given unto us the earnest of the Spirit. Therefore *we are* always confident, knowing that, whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord: (For we walk by faith, not by sight:) We are confident, *I say*, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord." 2 Corinthians 5:5-8

"In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I [Jesus Christ] would have told you. I [Jesus Christ] go to prepare a place for you." John 14:2

**Joint heir with Christ:** "Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you," 1 Peter 1-3-4

"For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with *him*, that we may be also glorified together." Romans 8:14-17

**Answered prayer:** "If ye shall ask any thing in my name [Jesus Christ], I will do it." John 14:14

**Rapture:** "For the Son of man [*Jesus Christ*] shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works." Matthew 16:27

"So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation." Hebrews 9:28

"But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive *and* remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive *and* remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord." 1 Thessalonians 4:13-17

Even though this religious group, like so many others, has rejected Jesus Christ as Saviour, God still promises to forgive and save all who will repent and by faith in the shed blood of Jesus Christ, receive Him as Saviour. "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." {Romans 10:13} "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." {Acts 4:12}

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