

Visitors
If you want a
RICH
Spiritual Walk
with a
FRIEND
Let me (*PJ*) set
you up in a OYC
Chapter a Day

A One Year Challenge to Investigate Jesus Christ.

**Jesus Christ is the
most central figure in history.**

IF — it is true that Jesus was the Son of God who intentionally gave his life to die on the cross for us and rose again,

THEN — it is also true that each of us will face Jesus after we die.

Sadly, most people only accept "Hearsay" about Jesus. They form their opinions from 1-2 religious seasons or by hearing a lot of opinions and NOT from a careful investigation of his life.

- It would be sad to NOT believe in Jesus Christ based on "Hearsay" about Jesus.
- It is ALSO sad to BELIEVE in Jesus Christ based on "Hearsay" about Jesus.

Neither conclusion
is a healthy way to respond to
the most important subject you will ever face.

The goal of this challenge is to give each person time, respect, tools and encouragement to investigate Jesus Christ for themselves.

Many people like to make new years resolutions. This is a request to make an early new years resolution to take a year and investigate Jesus Christ.



Fascinating

Silly

PREDESTINATION vs. FREE WILL

Real Question is:

How **MUCH**
“Ability to Choose”
do we have?

II Thess.

II Thess. 2:11-12

God sends them a
Powerful Delusion
so that they will
Believe the **LIE**
¹² and so that
all will be **condemned**



Is God some
type of
PUPPET
MASTER
Controlling
our actions
&
Our Eternal
Destiny?

Full

II Thess. 2:10-12 They perish
Because they **REFUSED**
to love the **truth**
and so be saved. ¹¹
For this reason

God sends them a powerful
delusion so that they will believe
the lie ¹² and so that all will be
condemned who have
Not Believed the **truth**
but have
DELIGHTED in wickedness.

Rom.

**Humble,
Fear of God**



Defy, Deny
Click ??? Later??

Romans 1:21, For **although they knew God**, they

NEITHER GLORIFIED him as God

Choice

NOR GAVE THANKS to him,

Choice

but their **thinking** became **futile** and

their **foolish hearts** were **darkened**

²⁴ **Therefore** God **GAVE THEM OVER** in the sinful desires of

their hearts ²⁶ **Because of this**, God **GAVE THEM OVER** to

shameful lusts ²⁸

Furthermore, since they **did not think it worthwhile to retain**

the knowledge of God,

Choice **GAVE THEM OVER** to a

depraved mind, to do what ought not to be done.



10 times – Do NOT HARDEN your hearts

Mt. 13:15, 19:8, Mk. 6:52, 8:17, 10:5, Acts 28:27, Eph. 4:18, Heb. 3:8, 3:15, 4:7

36



36 times - Do **NOT be **DECEIVED****

*Ja. 1:22 Do not merely listen to the word, and so
Deceive YOURSELVES. Do what it says.*

Prov.

Prov.1:23 If you had **Responded to my **Rebuke**,
I would have **POURED OUT** my **HEART** to you and
made my thoughts known to you.**



Isaiah

Is. 66:2 Declares the Lord, “This is the **one I ESTEEM**,
he who is **HUMBLE** and **CONTRITE** in spirit
and **TREMBLES** at my **word**.”



I Peter

1 Pt. 5:5 & Ja. 4:6

God **OPPOSES** the **Proud**
but gives **Grace** to the **Humble**



30 Predestination
verses

How many Free Will
verses -- look

31,153 verses

on

Free Will

Approx. 30 on **Predestination**

look

What about **Rom. 9-11** & Predestination (Rom. 1)

- Esau *Genesis 25:32, 34*
- Pharaoh *Exodus 8: 15, 32, 9:12, 34 → 10:1*
- Romans 10:9
- Whole message of **Rom. 9-11** - Jewish people
- *Romans 8:29*
*For those God **FOREKNEW** he **also Predestined**
to be conformed to the likeness of his Son,*

Predestination is God's **PROMISE**
that everyone who is willing will be given a chance

Does God WANT everyone to be saved?

Mt. 18:14 In the same way your Father in heaven is **NOT** **willing** that **ANY** of these little ones should be lost.

II Peter 3:9

The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, **NOT wanting** **ANYONE** to perish, but **everyone** to come to repentance.

1 Timothy 2:3-4

This is good, and pleases God our Savior, who **wants ALL** **MEN** to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth.

Col. 3:25

Anyone who does wrong will be repaid for his wrong and there is **NO FAVORITISM**

Conclusion

How does **FREE WILL** work!

- God gives us a chance to **SEE** *right from wrong / death from life* → if we humble ourselves, we see more clearly and have strength for better choices
Psalm 36:9 in your light we see light.
- If we **TURN AWAY** and **choose** to do **wrong** → God's **Mercy** give us **chance** after **chance**..... .However
- You can **Run OUT of MERCY !**
after **thousands** of times of **turning away** from God.
God **GIVES** you to that which you have been **CHASING**
You become **BLIND** & **UNABLE** to **choose**

At end of my life....

n.week

Next week
Special Testimony by
**Pastors Lee &
Brittney Graham**



In 2 weeks
ABRAHAM
Series starts



Stage # 1

Seekers



**Humble
Yourself**

Stage # 2

Ready **TODAY**
to Give
Everything
to Jesus



God
WANTS
You to be
Saved

Stage # 3

GROWING

in



Avoid
Silly
Distractions

1 Minute - DEBRIEF

- Your **Favorite** pt. or what **Helped** you
- **Prayers**



Seekers

&

Salvation



Pastor Johns
Personal testimony 2 cds