

Jesus Christ His Mission And Ministry Guide

Russ Ramsey's dynamic narrative traces the journey of the early church with thirty-one daily readings through the book of Acts, as the people of God carried out Jesus' mission as his ambassadors. Through this new community, a movement spread around the world that continues to this day. Come discover the transformation that energized the early church.

The Holy Spirit is the principal agent of the mission to evangelize in the world of the present. However, sometimes little is understood about the foundations of the Church's mission and evangelization in relation to the Holy Spirit. This is a book intended to articulate, clarify and refine the understanding of this vital relationship. In this way, the call of the Church to be faithful and discerning of her mission may always be lived inspired by the light of the undying fire, the Holy Spirit.

Women have been central to the work of Christian ministry from the time of Jesus to the twenty-first century. Yet the story of Christianity is too often told as a story of men. This accessibly written book tells the story of women throughout church history, demonstrating their integral participation in the church's mission. It highlights the legacies of a wide variety of women, showing how they have overcome obstacles to their ministries and have transformed cultural constraints to spread the gospel and build the church.

The scope of the subject presented in this work is expressed on the title page. It will be readily seen that the author has departed from the course usually followed by writers on the Life of Jesus Christ, which course, as a rule, begins with the birth of Mary's Babe and ends with the ascension of the slain and risen Lord from Olivet. The treatment embodied in these pages, in addition to the narrative of the Lord's life in the flesh comprises the antemortal existence and activities of the world's Redeemer, the revelations and personal manifestations of the glorified and exalted Son of God during the apostolic period of old and in modern times, the assured nearness of the Lord's second advent, and predicted events beyond all so far as the Holy Scriptures make plain.

Evangelii Gaudium

The Messiah According to Holy Scriptures Both Ancient and Modern

His Life and Mission to Cleanse and Heal

With Modifications from the Editio Typica

Christ Outside the Gate

James the Just and His Mission

A Meal with Jesus

This book presents a comprehensive articulation of New Testament teachings on mission from a contemporary American evangelical standpoint. Mission in the New Testament contributes a fresh statement of the biblical foundations of mission, serving as a catalyst for completion of the church's universal mission in this generation. After investigating the historical background of the idea of mission in the Hebrew Scriptures, inter-testamental Judaism, the life of Jesus and the beginnings of the church, the book proceeds in a roughly canonical order through the New Testament. Essays analyze the works of Paul, the Synoptic gospels, Acts of the Apostles, the General Epistles, and the Book of Revelation. Well-versed in the historical-critical method of biblical interpretation, editors and contributors alike offer a cogent argument for recovering the "missional horizon" of the New Testament.

Historical Study of Jesus the Christ and His Mission is a study on the life and ministry of Jesus Christ and is widely appreciated by members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (LDS Church). The book consists of 42 chapters, each focusing on important aspects of the life and mission of Jesus as the Messiah. Jesus the Christ has been viewed by the LDS Church as a classic text on its teachings and beliefs concerning the life and ministry of Jesus.

Nothing is more important than what a person believes about Jesus Christ. To understand Christ correctly is to understand the very heart of God, Scripture, and the gospel. To get to the core of this belief, this latest volume in the Foundations of Evangelical Theology series lays out a systematic summary of Christology from philosophical, biblical, and historical perspectives—concluding that Jesus Christ is God the Son incarnate, both fully divine and fully human. Readers will learn to better know, love, trust, and obey Christ—unashamed to proclaim him as the only Lord and Savior. Part of the Foundations of Evangelical Theology series.

(© 2011) The Subcommittee on the Catechism, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, has found that this catechetical high school text is in conformity with the Catechism of the Catholic Church and fulfills the requirements of Core Course III of the Doctrinal Elements of a Curriculum Framework for the Development of Catechetical Materials for Young People of High School Age.The Paschal Mystery of Christ's Cross and Resurrection is the pinnacle of God's redemptive plan for his people. In Jesus Christ: Source of Our Salvation, students delve deeply into the saving actions of the Lord. This text unpacks the meaning of God's sacred and mysterious plan from creation, onward to the consequences of the fall and the promise of a Savior, while ultimately focusing on the Life, Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Historical Study of Jesus the Christ and His Mission

Our Savior, Jesus Christ

Living the Mission of Jesus in the Church and the World

Holy Spirit Prime Function

Jesus Christ: The Real Story

Catechism of the Catholic Church

Studies in Honour of Mariasusai Dhavamony, S.J.

Latest in the Reformed Exegetical Doctrinal Studies series

James the Just was, in the time between Jesus' resurrection and James's death, the most prominent and widely respected leader in Christendom. These essays by eight renowned scholars address such issues as the Jewish context of the early church, the person of James, his literary message and mission, and James in relation to Peter and Paul.

A Study Guide and a Teacher's Manual Gospel Principles was written both as a personal study guide and as a teacher's manual. As you study it, seeking the Spirit of the Lord, you can grow in your understanding and testimony of God the Father, Jesus Christ and His Atonement, and the Restoration of the gospel. You can find answers to life's questions, gain an assurance of your purpose and self-worth, and face personal and family challenges with faith.

Social justice and mission are hot topics today: there's a wonderful resurgence of motivated Christians passionate about spreading the gospel and caring for the needs of others. But in our zeal to get sharing and serving, many are unclear on gospel and mission. Yes, we are called to spend ourselves for the sake of others, but what is the church's unique priority as it engages the world? DeYoung and Gilbert write to help Christians "articulate and live out their views on the mission of the church in ways that are theologically faithful, exegetically careful, and personally sustainable." Looking at the Bible's teaching on evangelism, social justice, and shalom, they explore the what, why, and how of the church's mission. From defining "mission", to examining key passages on social justice and their application, to setting our efforts in the context of God's rule, DeYoung and Gilbert bring a wise, studied perspective to the missional conversation. Readers in all spheres of ministry will grow in their understanding of the mission of the church and gain a renewed sense of urgency for Jesus' call to preach the Word and make disciples.

The Primary Mission of the Church

The Mission of God's People

His Mission and Ministry

The Teaching of Christ

Engaging Or Transforming the World?

Jesus and the Origins of the Gentile Mission

Original Manuscripts

Reversing Hermon is a groundbreaking work. It unveils what most in the modern Church have never heard regarding how the story of the sin of the Watchers in 1 Enoch 6-16 helped frame the mission of Jesus, the messiah. Jews of the first century expected the messiah to reverse the impact of the Watchers' transgression. For Jews of Jesus' day, the Watchers were part of the explanation for why the world was so profoundly depraved. The messiah would not just revoke the claim of Satan on human souls and estrangement from God, solving the predicament of the Fall. He would also not only bring the nations back into relationship with the true God by defeating the principalities and powers that governed them. Jews also believed that the messiah would rescue humanity from self-destruction, the catalyst for which was the sin of the Watchers and the influence of what they had taught humankind. The role of Enoch's retelling of Genesis 6:1-4 in how New Testament writers wrote of Jesus and the cross has been largely lost to a modern audience. Reversing Hermon rectifies that situation. Topics include:* How the ancient Mesopotamian story of the apkallu aligns with Gen 6:1-4, was preserved in 1 Enoch, and sets the stage for the theme of reversing the evil of the Watchers* How the theme of reversing the transgression of the Watchers colors the gospel accounts of the birth of Jesus, his genealogy, and his ministry.* How the writings of Peter and Paul allude to the sin of the Watchers and present Jesus as overturning the disastrous effects of their sins against humanity.* How the descriptions of the antichrist, the end-times Day of the Lord, and the final judgment connect to Genesis 6 and the nephilim.Though every topic addressed in Reversing Hermon can be found in scholarly academic literature, Reversing Hermon is the first book to gather this information and make it accessible to Bible students everywhere.

In The Mission of God's People, part of the Biblical Theology for Life series, author Chris Wright offers a sweeping biblical survey of the holistic mission of the church, providing practical insight for today's church leaders. Wright gives special emphasis to theological trajectories of the Old Testament that not only illuminate God's mission but also suggest priorities for Christians engaged in God's world-changing work.

Meals have always been important across societies and cultures, a time for friends and families to come together. An important part of relationships, meals are vital to our social health. Author Tim Chester sums it up: "Food connects." Chester argues that meals are also deeply theological—an important part of Christian fellowship and mission. He observes that the book of Luke is full of stories of Jesus at meals. These accounts lay out biblical principles. Chester notes, "The meals of Jesus represent something bigger." Six chapters in A Meal with Jesus show how they enact grace, community, hope, mission, salvation, and promise. Moving from biblical times to the modern world, Chester applies biblical truth to challenge our contemporary understandings of hospitality. He urges sacrificial giving and loving around the table, helping readers consider how meals can be about serving others and sharing the grace of Christ.

Jesus Christ: His Mission and Ministrys objectives include sharing what Christ reveals about God, uncovering the mystery of the Incarnation, and exploring how growing in discipleship with Jesus helps students live a better life.

What Is the Mission of the Church?

Their Opportunities and Obstacles throughout Christian History

Mission in the New Testament

Christian Mission

The Brother of Jesus

His Miracles His Ministry His Mission

The perfect gift! A specially priced, beautifully designed hardcover edition of The Joy of the Gospel with a foreword by Robert Barron and an afterword by James Martin, SJ. "The joy of the gospel fills the hearts and lives of all who encounter Jesus... In this Exhortation I wish to encourage the Christian faithful to embark upon a new chapter of evangelization marked by this joy, while pointing out new paths for the Church's journey in years to come." – Pope Francis This special edition of Pope Francis's popular message of hope explores themes that are important for believers in the 21st century. Examining the many obstacles to faith and what can be done to overcome those hurdles, he emphasizes the importance of service to God and all his creation. Advocating for "the homeless, the addicted, refugees, indigenous peoples, the elderly who are increasingly isolated and abandoned," the Holy Father shows us how to respond to poverty and current economic challenges that affect us locally and globally. Ultimately, Pope Francis demonstrates how to develop a more personal relationship with Jesus Christ, "to recognize the traces of God's Spirit in events great and small." Profound in its insight, yet warm and accessible in its tone, The Joy of the Gospel is a call to action to live a life motivated by divine love and, in turn, to experience heaven on earth. Includes a foreword by Robert Barron, author of Catholicism: A Journey to the Heart of the Faith and James Martin, SJ, author of Jesus: A Pilgrimage

Jesus Christ: God's Revelation to the World is the first in a three book series written for the beginning courses of the U.S. Bishops' Curriculum Framework. It provides a map for high school students to navigate the wonderful work of God--Father, Son, and Spirit--in forming a People, giving a Law, and preparing for the Messiah. The one-semester course is intended to give students a general knowledge and appreciation of Sacred Scripture while coming to encounter Jesus Christ.

This volume--the work of a lifetime--brings together all the Joseph Smith Translation manuscript in a remarkable and useful way. Now, for the first time, readers can take a careful look at the complete text, along with photos of several actual manuscript pages. The book contains a typographic transcription of all the original manuscripts, unedited and preserved exactly as dictated by the Prophet Joseph and recorded by his scribes. In addition, this volume features essays on the background, doctrinal contributions, and editorial procedures involved in the Joseph Smith Translation, as well as the history of the manuscripts since Joseph Smith's day.

This updated second edition of the Catechism of the Catholic Church incorporates all the final modifications made in the complete, official Latin text, accompanied by line-by-line explanations of orthodox Catholicism, summaries of each section, a detailed index, extensive cross-references, and helpful footnotes.

God the Son Incarnate

Source of Our Salvation

A Study of the Messiah and His Mission According to Holy Scriptures Both Ancient and Modern

Discovering Grace, Community, and Mission around the Table

An Evangelical Approach

Christ's Mission of Salvation Student Text

Jesus the Christ: A Study of the Messiah and His Mission According to Holy Scriptures Both Ancient and Modern

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Acts is the sequel to Luke's gospel and tells the story of Jesus's followers during the 30 years after his death. It describes how the 12 apostles, formerly Jesus's disciples, spread the message of Christianity throughout the Mediterranean against a background of persecution. With an introduction by P.D. James For years Christians have been asking, "If you died tonight, do you know where you would go?" It turns out that many believers have been giving the wrong answer. It is not heaven. Award-winning author N. T. Wright outlines the present confusion about a Christian's future hope and shows how it is deeply intertwined with how we live today. Wright, who is one of today's premier Bible scholars, asserts that Christianity's most distinctive idea is bodily resurrection. He provides a magisterial defense for a literal resurrection of Jesus and shows how this became the cornerstone for the Christian community's hope in the bodily resurrection of all people at the end of the age. Wright then explores our expectation of "new heavens and a new earth," revealing what happens to the dead until then and what will happen with the "second coming" of Jesus. For many, including many Christians, all this will come as a great surprise. Wright convincingly argues that what we believe about life after death directly affects what we believe about life before death. For if God intends to renew the whole creation—and if this has already begun in Jesus's resurrection—the church cannot stop at "saving souls" but must anticipate the eventual renewal by working for God's kingdom in the wider world, bringing healing and hope in the present life. Lively and accessible, this book will surprise and excite all who are interested in the meaning of life, not only after death but before it.

Many people know Carroll Roberson as the smooth, plaintive Southern gospel singer and evangelist from Mississippi, but few people know that he has traveled many time to the Holy Land, and is very knowledgeable about the geography, history, and customs of that area. In The Christ, he brings all of that vast knowledge to the table as he tells the life of Jesus, event by event, from the Old Testament prophecies to the purpose and meaning of the acts of Christ for us today. This is a rich and satisfying account of the life of Christ that proves that He was more than a man.

How Christianity Became a World Religion

The Acts of the Apostles

Rethinking Heaven, the Resurrection, and the Mission of the Church

Jesus Christ

An Intimate Personal Relationship With Jesus Christ

MISSION FIELD

Reversing Hermon

In Jesus Christ: God's Love Made Visible the students encounter Jesus Christ, the Second Person of the Trinity. This course leads the students toward a deeper understanding of Divine Revelation, the Trinity, the Incarnation, Jesus, salvation, and discipleship as a response to God's love. The second edition of our popular Living In Christ series offers updated navigation, organizing and synchronizing curriculum across both teacher guides and student books. The student books have shifted from a section-part-article structure to a unit-chapter-article structure where sections become units and a part is now a chapter.

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blessing to us. We have been using it on a regular basis and I'm sure it will always be a resource in our permanent library. Keep doing what you are doing. This has really changed our lives." - Carrie, US "What an awesome thing that your ministry is sharing with the world. God's word is user friendly, spoken as Jesus did where all can understand and want to learn more of Jesus, study more and do his will. I have never found such detailed shared information of God's word all in one book." - Ruby, US "Thank you so much for your website. I've benefited so much from it and it has helped me so much in my relationship with Jesus! I believe its the no 1 thing I need to pursue." - Zsuzsi, Hungary "Your website, what I've read so far is an overwhelming refreshing shower to my spirit. To discover a ministry that focuses on loving God is so utterly a confirmation to me. What could be more important? Fathomless depths. Thank you for your precious hearts." - Julia, US "Just wanted to say thanks for this site. I typed in the search because this is what God has been doing in my life. Drawing me into intimacy." - Stephen, Australia "The material on your website is awesome. Glory to God!" - Ray, US "I am in awe of the study book. I did not expect to receive so much information. Thank you." - Olivia US "I have been blessed by your site & studies." - Dorota, Poland "The study was excellent! I could understand it. It was done beautifully and simply... God has changed our lives through this study. We are both working for a soft and humble heart." - Nancy, US "Once again I cant thank you enough; your help is much appreciated and I am so grateful towards you for this." - John, Ireland "I will certainly join in praying for this study and for you as you continue to work with it as the Lord directs. Those weeks of study were so very meaningful to me! - Reid, US "Hi, Thank you for publishing this great material." - Johan, South Africa "Praise the Lord. Please I request a copy of your wondrous book." - Meshak, Uganda Best-selling author and master teacher David J. Ridges provides this powerful study of the Lord's life and mission to cleanse and heal all mankind. By applying the teachings of this work you will draw nearer to the Savior through this simple and beautiful depiction of the Lord's continuing ministry as Creator and Savior of the world, learn firsthand how the power of the Savior's Atonement will sanctify your life through His divine sacrifice, and obtain a tender, personal glimpse of the Savior's eternal love for each of us. Discover the depth of the Lord's sacrifice as you read this heartfelt portrayal of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

The Joy of the Gospel

The Mission of the Church in the Light of the Mission of the Holy Spirit

Undying Fire:

The Glory of Christ in All Time and Space

The Mission of the Body of Christ

Making Sense of Social Justice, Shalom, and the Great Commission

The Message of Mission

As faith-filled Catholics, we are called to go out and spread the good news of the Gospel, build up the Church, and fuel its mission. We are supernaturally empowered by God to do this through the charisms we receive at Baptism. Learn about each charism, what they are, and how discipleship unleashes these powerful gifts to produce fruit that lasts.

Bird argues that Jesus was attempting to achieve and enact the restoration of Israel, and in continuity with other strands of Jewish belief, Jesus conceived of the restoration of Israel as resulting in the salvation of the gentiles. Jesus' mission was Israel-centric, but he espoused a view of restoration that was indebted to certain strands of Israel's sacred traditions where the gentiles are implicit beneficiaries of Israel's salvation. Since this restoration was already being partially realized in Jesus' ministry, it was becoming possible for gentiles to begin sharing in Israel's salvation in the present. Additionally, Jesus understood himself and his followers to be the new temple and the vanguard of the restored Israel who would appropriate for themselves the role of Israel and the temple in being a light to the nations. Thus, a gentile mission has its germinal roots in the aims and intentions of Jesus and was developed in a transformed situation by adherents of the early Christian movement.

"James E. Talmage's classic study of the life and works of Jesus of Nazareth. The book was particularly influential among members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (LDS or Mormon Church). The book explores many topics, including: Preexistence And Foreordination Of The Christ, The Need Of A Redeemer, The Antemortal Godship Of Christ, Earthly Advent Of The Christ Predicted, The Meridian Of Time, Gabriel's Annunciation Of John And Of Jesus, John The Forerunner, The Annunciation To The Virgin, Mary's Visit To Her Cousin Elisabeth, Mary And Joseph, The Babe Of Bethlehem, The Birth Of Jesus, Requirements Of The Law Strictly Observed, Wise Men Search For The King, The Flight Into Egypt, Birth Of Jesus Made Known To The Nephites, The Time Of The Birth Of Jesus, The Boy Of Nazareth, In The Wilderness Of Judea, The Voice In The Wilderness, The Baptism Of Jesus--To Fulfil All Righteousness, The Temptations Of Christ, From Judea To Galilee, The Baptist's Testimony Of Jesus, The First Disciples Of Jesus, "The Son Of Man", The Miracle At Cana In Galilee, Miracles In General, Early Incidents In Our Lord's Public Ministry, First Clearing Of The Temple, Jesus And Nicodemus, From City To Country, Honored By Strangers, Rejected By His Own, Jesus And The Samaritan Woman, Jesus Again In Galilee: At Cana And Nazareth, In Capernaum, Continuation Of Our Lord's Ministry In Galilee, A Leper Made Clean, A Palsied Man Healed And Forgiven, Publicans And Sinners, The Old And The New, Fishers Of Men, Lord Of The Sabbath, The Sabbath Distinctively Sacred To Israel, The Healing Of A Cripple On The Sabbath, Our Lord's Reply To The Accusing Jews, The Disciples Charged With Sabbath-Breaking, A Pharisical Plot, The Chosen Twelve, Their Call And Ordination, Twelve Considered Individually, General Characteristics Of The Twelve, Disciples And Apostles, The Sermon On The Mount, The Beatitudes, Dignity And Responsibility In The Ministry, The Law Superseded By The Gospel, Sincerity Of Purpose, Treasures Of Earth And Of Heaven, Hypocrisy Further Condemned, Promise And Reassurance, Hearing And Doing, As One Having Authority, The Centurion's Servant Healed, A Young Man Of Nain Raised From The Dead, John Baptist's Message To Jesus, Death Of John The Baptist, In The House Of Simon The Pharisee, Christ's Authority Ascribed To Beelzebub, Seekers After Signs?, Christ's Mother And Brethren Come To See Him, "He Spake Many Things Unto Them In Parables", "A Sower Went Forth To Sow", The Wheat And The Tares, The Seed Growing Secretly, The Mustard Seed, The Leaven, The Hidden Treasure, The Pearl Of Great Price, The Gospel Net, Christ's Purpose In Using Parables, Parables In General, "Peace, Be Still", Incidents Preliminary To The Voyage, Stilling The Storm, Quieting The Demons, The Raising Of The Daughter Of Jairus, Restoration To Life And Resurrection, A Remarkable Healing By The Way, The Blind See And The Dumb Speak, The Apostolic Mission, And Events Related Thereto, Jesus Again In Nazareth, The Twelve Charged And Sent, The Twelve Return, Five Thousand Fed In The Desert, "It Is I; Be Not Afraid", In The Land Of Gennesaret, In Search Of Loaves And Fishes, Christ, The Bread Of Life, A Crucial Test--Many Turn Away, A Period Of Darkening Opposition, Ceremonial Washings, "And Many Such Like Things.", Within The Borders Of Tyre And Sidon, In The Coasts Of Decapolis, Another Meal In The Desert; Over Four Thousand Fed, Again Beset By Sign-Seekers, The Leaven Of The Pharisees And Of The Sadducees, "Thou Art The Christ", The Transfiguration, From Sunshine To Shadow, Healing Of Youthful Demoniac, The Lord's Death And Resurrection Again Predicted, The Tribute Money--Supplied By A Miracle, As A Little Child, The Parable Of The Lost Sheep, "In My Name", My Brother And I, Parable Of The Unmerciful Servant, Jesus Again In Jerusalem, Departure From Galilee, At The Feast Of Tabernacles, "Go, And Sin No More", The Light Of The World, and The Truth Shall Make You Free"--from Amazon.com.

"Using the words of Jesus in Luke 24:46-47 as a springboard, this book explains how the story of redemption foretold in the Old Testament is fulfilled in Christ, is reflected in the apostles' ministry, and continues today through the mission of the church"--

Surprised by Hope

The Paschal Mystery

Gospel Principles

God's Revelation to the World

Fruitful Discipleship

Enoch, the Watchers, and the Forgotten Mission of Jesus Christ

Understanding Christian Mission

Mission Focus of the Gospel with God Our Mission Field is not just Israel, Middle East, Greece or Italy but every part of the world. The hope of the world is the gospel of salvation. And by the help of the Holy Spirit we are empowered to witness the Saviour of the world and to win sinners to Jesus Christ. The word of salvation is sent to all people. And must pray for the salvation of the world daily. God is gracious and patient. The Lord is not willing that any person should die unsaved but all people come to repentance. As you read this book: Mission Field, It is my prayer that you will rise up as a witness of Jesus Christ and minister the gospel of salvation to people near you and far. May you be full of the presence and joy of the Holy Spirit to share the message of salvation to others. Then the people of the world will be saved by Jesus Christ in his power and grace, and they will be strong against idolatry, sin and Satan and come out of darkness (being ignorant of who God is and disobedient to the gospel). The salvation of God is to rescue and preserve people from the wrath and judgment to come.

Exploring how Christianity became a world religion, this brief history examines Christian missions and their relationship to the current globalization of Christianity. A short and enlightening history of Christian missions: a phenomenon that many say reflects the single most important intercultural movement over a sustained period of human history Offers a thematic overview that takes into account the political, cultural, social, and theological issues Discusses the significance of missions to the globalization of Christianity, and broadens our understanding of Christianity as a multicultural world religion Helps Western audiences understand the meaning of mission as a historical process Contains several new maps that illustrate demographic shifts in world Christianity

This comprehensive introduction helps students, pastors, and mission committees understand contemporary Christian mission historically, biblically, and theologically. Scott Sunquist, a respected scholar and teacher of world Christianity, recovers missiological thinking from the early church for the twenty-first century. He traces the mission of the church throughout history in order to address the global church and offers a constructive theology and practice for missionary work today. Sunquist views spirituality as the foundation for all mission involvement, for mission practice springs from spiritual formation. He highlights the Holy Spirit in the work of mission and emphasizes its trinitarian nature. Sunquist explores mission from a primarily theological--rather than sociological--perspective, showing that the whole of Christian theology depends on and feeds into mission. Throughout the book, he presents Christian mission as our participation in the suffering and glory of Jesus Christ for the redemption of the nations.

Solidly theological, amply historical, thoroughly ecumenical, and remarkably current, Orlando Costas' 'Christ Outside the Gate' is the most succinct, yet comprehensive analysis of the missiological issues facing the church and the churches that has appeared in many years." --Alan Neely, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest Learning and passion come together in Christ Outside the Gate to make it an outstanding contribution to missiology." --Gabriel Fackre, Abbot Professor of Christian Theology, Andover Newton Theological School You have in your hands a new way of seeing missions--North America as a receiving country, the marginalized as the subject as well as object of missions, world evangelization with one foot in Melbourne and one foot in Pattaya. Few authors blend together so effectively so many worlds--evangelism and scholarship, northern hemisphere and southern hemisphere, sociology, and theology." --Harvie M. Conn, Westminster Theological Seminary, Philadelphia Costas may well be or is on his way to becoming the ablest missiologist alive." --Jorge Lara-Braud, Director, Council on Theology and Culture, Presbyterian Church in the U.S. Costas writes from the background of an Hispanic Evangelical, but goes far beyond the normal concerns of that tradition. In a series of far-ranging essays, he deals with virtually every aspect of the contemporary missiological debate in a manner that is usually balanced and always provocative. While some readers will violently question his views at certain points, all will be stimulated and challenged to think more deeply and participate more effectively in the total world mission to which God has called His Church." --Paul E. Pierson, Fuller Theological Seminary 'Christ Outside the Gate' offers us a perspective of missions that focuses on the transition from paternalism to the contextualization of the Gospel." --Oscar I. Romo, Director, Language Missions Division, Southern Baptist Convention Costas writes from the viewpoint of those who live on the periphery of society. He challenges Christians of all denominations to a renewed understanding of the Christ who 'suffered outside the gates.'" --John T. Boberg, Catholic Theological Union, Chicago Orlando E. Costas is also the author of 'Liberating News', 'The Integrity of Mission', and 'The Church and Its Mission'.

The Christ

Mission Beyond Christendom

Joseph Smith's New Translation of the Bible

Jesus the Christ

Participation in Suffering and Glory

How the Church Fulfills the Mission of Christ

The Doctrine of Christ

The story of Jesus Christ goes much deeper than His crucifixion and resurrection. Few will dispute that a man named Jesus Christ lived 2,000 years ago and that He was a great teacher who impacted the world. Christ made a controversial claim—that He was the very Son of God, the long-prophesied Messiah—causing religious authorities in Jerusalem to reject Him, hate Him and eventually succeeded in having Him put to death. Likewise, the local Roman civil authorities also saw Him as a threat and became complicit in His execution. The religions of His day, both Judaism and paganism, opposed the growth of His teachings and used unlawful and violent means to try to destroy the Church He founded. The government of Rome also came to vigorously persecute the followers of this Jewish teacher from Galilee. Today, there is much confusion and questions concerning this controversial figure. Where can you go for the answers? The Bible. This Bible Study aid booklet, "Jesus Christ: The Real Story" will help explain what is written in the Bible about Jesus Christ. You can discover the answers to these questions and more: Who was Jesus Christ of Nazareth? Where did He come from? When was Jesus Christ born? What did Jesus teach? Was He God in the flesh? What did Jesus look like? Was He only a man? Why did He die? Discover the true, fascinating story that so few understand. The story of the greatest Man who ever lived and the misunderstood message He preached—the gospel (good news) of the coming Kingdom of God! Chapters in this ebook: -- Introduction - Jesus Christ: The Real Story -- Who—and What—Was Jesus Christ? -- Jesus Christ's Disciples Understood Him to Be the Creator -- Jesus Christ: 'The Rock' of the Old Testament -- The Family of God -- Jesus' Amazing Fulfillment of Prophecy -- The Bible Prophesied the Exact Year the Messiah Would Appear -- Was Jesus Born on Dec. 25? -- A Sinless and Miraculous Life -- Could Jesus Perform Miracles? -- Did Jesus Really Die and Live Again? -- Roman Forms of Crucifixion -- When Was Jesus Christ Crucified and Resurrected? -- The Chronology of the Crucifixion and Resurrection -- Do Other Nonbiblical Sources Confirm Jesus Christ's Existence? -- Much More Than a Man -- Was Jesus a Created Being? -- The God Who Became a Human Being -- Jesus' Family Connections -- Did Jesus Have Long Hair? -- The Messiah's Misunderstood Mission -- What Do 'Messiah' and 'Jesus Christ' Mean? -- What Was Jesus' Gospel? -- Salvation Is Entrance Into the Kingdom of God -- Other Names for the Kingdom -- Jesus' Teaching on God's Law -- Other Important Ways Jesus Fulfilled the Law -- Christ's New Commandment -- Does the New Covenant Abolish the Commandments? -- Jesus Christ and the Festivals of the Bible -- Who Killed Jesus? -- Jesus Christ, the Wisdom of God -- The Tearing of the Temple Veil -- Alive Again Today and Forever -- Your Date With Destiny: Meeting the Real Jesus -- 'Even So, Come, Lord Jesus!' Inside this Bible Study Aid ebook: "Perhaps the boldest claim Jesus made about His identity was the statement, "Most assuredly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I AM" (John:8:58)...What was going on here? Jesus was revealing His identity as the actual One whom the Jews knew as God in the Old Testament." "The New Testament writers cite messianic prophecies from the Old Testament more than 130 times. By some estimates the Old Testament contains 300 prophetic passages that describe who the Messiah is and what He will do. Of these, 60 are major prophecies. What are the chances of these prophecies being fulfilled in one person?" "A careful analysis of Scripture, however, clearly indicates that December 25 is an unlikely date for Christ's birth. Here are two primary reasons..." "How can we fit "three days and three nights" between a Friday-afternoon crucifixion and a Sunday-morning resurrection?"

Howard Peskett and Vinoth Ramachandra explore the missional privilege and responsibility of the church: to testify by its words and deeds to Jesus Christ, God's unique Son, crucified, risen and ascended.

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