JESUS OUR LORD, GOD, AND SAVIOUR

WHO SAVES US FROM OUR SIN

"Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the commandment of God our Saviour, and Lord Jesus Christ"

~ 1 Timothy 1:1

1. Jesus, Our Saviour

- a. One of the most elementary teachings of the Bible: Jesus is Lord, God, and Saviour
- b. Jesus means Saviour "for he shall save his people from their sins" Mt 1:21
- c. More people know Jesus as Saviour (in title), than know the problem of sin.
- d. If Jesus is the Saviour, then sin is the problem.
 - i. Matt 18:11, Mark 2:17, Rom 3:23, 1 Tim 1:15

2. The 'S' Word

- a. You will hear curse words more frequently than "sin" in public, tv, media, etc.
- b. Sin ~def. Anything contrary to the truth of God. Rom 1:21-28, 3:4-7
 - i. Speaking of sin acknowledges the Lord God and need for atonement.
- c. "Sin is the problem", is seen as archaic, simplistic, uncaring, ignorant.
 - i. But if sin is not the problem, then Jesus is not our Saviour.

3. Supposed Problems

- a. What you think the problem is will determine who your Saviour is.
- b. Was the election good or bad? Depends what you think the problem is.
 - i. Conspiracists, "save us from the Bildebergers!" need whistleblowers.
 - ii. Antiracists, "save us from cultural hegemony!" need intersectionality.
 - iii. Secularism, "save us from Christians!" need freedom from guilt and God.
 - iv. Christians, "save the culture!" need a cultural Christian hero.
- c. Bible "save sinners" Rom 3:20, Gal 3:22-24, but that is old-fashioned.
- d. Jesus is your Saviour, because you first knew sin to be the root problem Rom 5:12

4. Jesus, Our Lord, God, and Saviour

- a. Your salvation = when you trusted Jesus Christ to save you from your sin problem.
- b. Sin is the solved problem Rom 3:24-26, 4:22-25, 1Co 15:1-4, 2Cor 5:21, Eph 1:13
- c. Salvation is not you being free to live a lie, the Saviour saves you from the lie of sin.
- d. Grace is on the throne (Rom 5:21), God's will for all to be saved from sin (1Ti 2:4-5)
- e. Since sin is the problem: God' strategy is to save men from it.
 - i. Will this prevent the world from going to hell? It can prevent people from it.
 - ii. Will this stop the insanity? It will for those who are saved. Rom 5:1
 - iii. Will this stop the evils? It commends God's love to its face Rom 5:8,2Cor 5:15
 - iv. When will sin be removed? Titus 2:13, 2 Tim 4:1
- f. Meanwhile, by the grace of God nothing separates us from his love Rom 8:39