

Prophet's Column

"The Total Depravity Of Man"

Salvation in Christ is the greatest thing that can happen to an individual if it ever does happen. There are only a few saved people on the face of this earth. Now, if you don't believe that, just go out and sit among the religious folks. You don't have to give your testimony. Just be present in their assembly. With just your presence there, they realize there is something different about you. They don't understand it, so they want you to leave them. Preachers don't want their members disturbed, and when I give my testimony about how I was a lost Bible teacher and deacon, you are embarrassed and want me to leave. Simply because you don't know what it meant to know Christ.



J. M. Little

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saved. God crossed his will in the messages. The Lord knew what was in that man's heart all the time. Years ago here I met a preacher who told me he had read my messages in the Post. I knew from his response that he had no love for the truth, even though he is a preacher. Now the Lord has exposed his heart.

Friend, you cannot go contrary to your nature. Your nature is meanness, hatred, ignorance, pride, selfishness, stubbornness, and unbelief. I never argue with a man who won't have the truth. It's not for you. Only the elect will be saved. Christ did not die for everyone. If He had, then everyone would be saved. He did not die in vain. God's Word teaches a limited atonement. Now, a free-will will come back and say: "Oh, yes, Christ died for everybody and it's up to the sinner to believe Christ if he wants to." Now, that would base salvation on the will of the sinner, making the sinner sovereign over Christ.

What an abomination! Man in his natural state is just as helpless to save himself as he is to make a new world. I wish you would read and study the first chapters of the Books of Isaiah and Romans and ask the Lord to open your minds and hearts and let you see yourself as you are in the light of His Word. Now, you don't know what you are asking for when you do that. But you had better do it anyway. I didn't know what I was doing when I asked the Lord to show me myself. But I knew I had to see myself in this life or the next. And I praise the Lord, not only did He show me myself, He showed me that Christ died for me.

It means something to know the Lord, only a few know Him. If you knew Him you wouldn't dare throw my messages out nor those of my late pastor. You'd welcome us both with open arms. But an unsaved pastor doesn't

want these messages in his church. I pity you. You won't go in the kingdom yourself and you are keeping others out. Your attitude toward God's servant and the messages is a revelation of your spiritual condition. You don't know what it means to be a lost sinner and have Christ revealed to your heart, so you have to hate both the message and the messenger. When Christ comes, the majority of our preachers and teachers will be left behind. One preacher said the janitor took my late pastor's messages from the church and put them in the back. Another took them up himself. Yes, you have to hate those messages because you hate God in your lost condition. I'll say to any sinner, if you have the least desire after Christ, fall at his feet thanking Him and never cease to thank Him. Only the Lord in His great grace can give you a hunger after Christ. Look and turn to Him.

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