

# *Resurrection Life of Jesus Church*

## **ARE YOU DECEIVED?**

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### **THE DECEPTION OF ADAM & EVE**

When the Devil attacked the human race with the intent to take it over, he did not tell Eve that she had to abandon God and turn her worship toward him; instead he slyly led Eve and then Adam to disobey one of God's commandments:

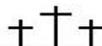
*And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die. **Genesis 2:16-17***

The Devil said, "To obey, it's not that important!" **Genesis 3:1-6**

The result was that they fell in sin and were driven out from the presence of the Lord God! **Genesis 3:22-24**

### **KNOWING THE BIBLE**

- In order to be obedient to God, we must establish what God has said and have an accurate written account of it. This is what Jesus, the Son of God, had to say about this matter. **Matthew 5:17-18**
- Jesus established that the five books of Moses (the Law-Torah) and the prophets are the written Word of God which will stand until the end of the earth. What about the New Testament? We have two statements by the apostles Peter and John which will settle this issue. **2 Peter 1:12-21; Revelation 22:16-21**
- Since we are living in an English speaking nation, there is one more issue to settle, which translation into the English language of the Bible is a true and faithful translation from the Hebrew and Greek languages? My answer, the King James Bible!
- There are many measurement systems in the world; let's take a look at three of them. First there is the metric system, secondly the British system and thirdly the American system. In all mathematical calculations, the person who is doing the calculations must decide which system he is going to work with. It is impossible to work in pounds and kilos at the same time; neither can you work in meters and yards at the same time. This holds true for the Bible. You cannot read and study in the King James Version for certain truths and then use another translation for another interpretation that you feel more comfortable with. **James 1:5-8**
- If you do not have an accurate version of the Bible, *it is impossible to be obedient to God since you do not know for sure what God has said!* **Hosea 4:1-6**



- ❑ If you are going to vacillate from Bible version to Bible version, you will be in confusion, and your doctrine of God will be polluted with doctrines of demons!  
**1 Timothy 4:1**
- ❑ Can you see the futility of trying to have a Bible discussion with Mormons, Jehovah's Witnesses, Roman Catholics and all other groups who have their own private version of the Bible? This also includes people who have still not been able to shed their New Age thinking. Look at what the apostle Paul had to say about this issue. **1 Timothy 6:3-5; Titus 3:9-11**
- ❑ Jesus said, *"If you love me keep my commandments."* **John 14:15**
- ❑ Jesus warned his disciples about tampering with the Word of God.  
**Matthew 5:19**
- ❑ Jesus issued a strong final warning; ***do not tamper with the Word of God!***  
**Revelation 22:18-19**

### **HOW SATAN USES DECEPTION**

- ❑ It does not take much for the Devil to deceive a person; all he has to do is to lead the person into rejecting a portion of the Word of God.
- ❑ ***"YEA, HAS GOD SAID...?"*** **Genesis 3:1b**
- ❑ When a person is in rebellion against God, negative consequences will come.

**Do you have an ear to hear with?**