

The Wednesday Word, May 21, 2025: No Priest but Christ!

Hebrews 7:25 *"Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever lives to make intercession for them."*

A man in Southern India once asked a missionary to make him a promise. He explained how that, every day, he prayed for his own soul and asked the missionary if, when he, the Indian, died, the missionary would continue this practice for him.

When the missionary asked why he would need to do that, the man replied that he was full of doubt and anxiety. He thought that, if this missionary would just pray for him every day, then surely God would let him into heaven and forgive his sins.

How sad! This poor man felt he needed someone to intercede for him. He needed a priest ... a go-between.

And yes, the truth is the dear man did need a priest, an intercessor. But the only mediator who is effective in this business of salvation is the Lord Jesus Christ. He is the God/Man ... God in human flesh. He alone can bring us to the Father and bring the Father to us.

Relying, for eternal life on anyone or anything other than Christ is to fail to grasp the Gospel. The belief the dear Indian man held was, in fact, unbelief. It is sad to say that there are still so many looking to multiplied mediators other than Christ.

I once attended the funeral of a dear Roman Catholic lady and during the funeral service, all kinds of mediators were presented to the Father for His consideration. God was asked to consider the good works of the deceased. That's one mediator. Then deceased 'holy saints' were called upon to add their intercession. That's a host more mediators. Finally, the Virgin Mary was asked for her prayers and intercession. These dear people did not seem to realize there is no mediator but the Lord Jesus Christ. Only Christ is qualified and powerful enough to bring us to Glory.

There is no pledge of Salvation without a properly qualified priest and the priest we need died for us. But a dead priest is of no use to anyone. That's why the one true priest did not remain dead, He is alive. He rose from the dead and now ever-lives to apply the entire benefits of His finished work to us.

That is why so many religious people have no assurance of salvation. They are looking to sinful, sacrificing priests to get them into heaven. These dear ones cannot say with any confidence that, "Yes, I am a Christian. Christ died for me, He cleansed my sins. He took them away. He was buried. He rose from the dead for me. He is my priest, He is my righteousness and I will be with Him forever."

I like it when Spurgeon said, "Hands off, ye priests! Ye are too feeble for such weights as ours. Our sins are too stupendous for your puny strength. But the Lord comes with his own right hand of majesty, puts away our sins and lifts them on to Christ, and Christ comes and flings them into his sepulcher, and they are gone and buried forever:"

And that ´s the Gospel Truth!

Excerpted from my book, "NO, NO, NO, NO!" [Available here](#)