

NEVER SEE DEATH

This lesson comes from the third Temple Discourse recorded in John Ch. 8 along with three additional "Truly, Truly" messianic doctrines (Jn.8:34, 51, and 58). We will examine the **lesson text** of the second "Truly, Truly" messianic doctrine (Jn.8:48-52) by four homiletic points.

- **Calling names** (Jn.8:48) Apostate Jews to Jesus
 - Samaritan and demon possessed.
- **Charge** (Jn.8:49-50) Jesus to Jews
 - You dishonor Me.
- **Conditional promise** (Jn.8:51) Jesus to Jews
 - "Truly, Truly" messianic doctrine
- **Callous ears and hearts** (Jn.8:52) Jews to Jesus – misquoted Jesus
 - Uncircumcised ears and heart because of Negative Volition (NV) (Acts 7:51).

This lesson will study four aspects of the "Truly, Truly" messianic doctrine – Never See Death.

1. **Just before these Jews starting name calling, Jesus had warned them of the spiritual problem they were having with Him in (Jn.8:45-47) (Negative Volition (NV) towards the Truth of God's Word).**

(Jn.8:47) "**He who is of God hears the words of God; for this reason, you do not hear them, because you are not of God.**"

Paul taught that the NATURAL MAN (psuchikos) [An unbeliever without the Spirit] cannot accept the things of the Spirit of God (1 Cor.2:14-16). In fact, spiritual matters seem "foolish to him"

The Bible is a spiritual book for spiritual people for spiritual living. The unbeliever is devoid of the Indwelling Holy Spirit.

(Jude 19) "These are the ones who cause divisions, worldly-minded, devoid of the Spirit."

(Rom.8:9) "However, you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, **if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you.** But if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Him." (1 Cor.6:19-20)

2. **What part / role / work does the Holy Spirit have in a person's salvation?**

At the moment, a person believes that Jesus died for his/ her sins, was buried and raised from the dead according to the Scriptures, (The Gospel) he/ she receives [eight \(8\) works of the Holy Spirit.](#)

Why? Because he lives in the Church Age and under the New Covenant (1 Cor.11:24-25; Cor.15:3-4; Rom.1:16; Eph.2:8-9).

[Adoption](#) (Rom.5:15-17)
[Baptism](#) (1 Cor.12:13)
[Indwelling](#) (1 Cor.6:19-20)
[Regeneration](#) (Jn.3:3-8)

[Sanctification](#) (2 Thess.2:13-14)
[Sealing](#) (Eph.4:13-14; 4:30)
[Spiritual gift](#) (1 Cor.12:11)
[Spiritual life](#) (Rom.8:9-11)

(2 Cor.5:17) "Therefore **if anyone is in Christ,** he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come."

3. These unbelieving religious Jews were expressing their position in Adam, one of enmity!

Principle: Every member of the human race is born in Adam and under [13 judicial charges](#) of Adam's Original Sin (AOS).

(1 Cor.15:22) "For as **in Adam** all die (physical birth), so also in Christ all will be made alive (spiritual birth)." [Doctrine of Positional Truth](#) (Col.1:13-14)

ENMITY:

(Rom.5:10) "For if while **we were enemies**, we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, **much more**, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life."

(Eph.2:15-16) "By **abolishing in His flesh the enmity**, which is the Law of commandments contained in ordinances, so that in Himself He might make two into one new man, thus **establishing peace, and might reconcile** them both in one body to God through the cross, by **it having put to death the enmity.**"

4. Jesus gave these unbelieving Jews an important messianic doctrine of grace salvation. It was worthy of a double AMEN ("it shall be so" – "So let it be so.")

Conditional Promise:

(Jn.8:51) "**Truly, truly, I say to you, 'If** (3cc) [maybe] **anyone keeps** (tereo/ a.a.subj) [pay attention to important details] **My word he will never** (ouk –me) [No, Not Ever!] **see** (theo/ a.a.subj) [personally experience spiritual death or the Second Death] (Rev.20:14-15) **death** (thanatos) [spiritual] (Rom.5:12) [1 of 13 charges of AOS]."

These Jews misquoted this important messianic doctrine (Jn.8:52) – 'Never **taste (geuomai)** [they changed the word to fit their theology] **(a.m.subj)** death.'

This is what they missed because of Negative Volition towards Divine Truth, The Word of God.

(Heb.2:9) "But we do not see Him who was made for a little while lower than the angels, namely Jesus, because of the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, **so that by the grace of God He might taste death** (thanatos) [spiritual connotations] **for everyone.**"