

Choosing a Good Bible-Based Church or Assembly (III)

Reflection: Jude 1:4, 2 Peter 2:1

Not every church is a Bible-Believing Church, beloved. Having the words *Church* or *God* attached to the name of a religious entity, their building, website, billboards, etc., does not always mean we are moving in the same direction with them, running the Christian Race together, and serving the same God. Jesus Christ said, "I know My sheep, and My sheep know Me" (John 10:14).

"For certain men whose condemnation was written about long ago have secretly slipped in among us. They are godless men who change the grace of our God into a license for immorality and deny the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ" (Jude 1:4).

The Bible says, whoever denies that Jesus is The Christ is a liar and one of the many antichrists spoken about in *1 John 2:18*. Anyone who denies the Son does not have the Father (1 John 2:23). And not just that - it is also a grievous and unforgivable sin to blaspheme the Holy Spirit (see Matthew 12:31-32). There are religious groups that view Christ as merely a great prophet. Some also do not have reverence for the Holy Spirit. Some of these religious groups claim to be of the Christian Faith, and yet have a problem believing that the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are One - the One and True God that we serve. They are not three Gods, but three persons in One: The FATHER being the unseen Omnipresent Source of all being, revealed by the SON, and experienced as the HOLY SPIRIT.

The issue is not so much those who believe in the Jesus Christ-is-Not-God Heresy, but those who proclaim it to others (Matthew 23:13, 15). They shall have their reward, for the reason that Jesus Christ the Mighty God (Isaiah 9:6) Himself said, "No one comes to the Father except through Me" (John 14:6). In their boldness and arrogance, they have misled numerous innocent souls. May we be guided.

Shalom!