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"MUST" WORDS FROM JESUS

(Luke 2:41 – 52)

"Must" - requirement; obligation; ought; responsibility; not optional; has to be done; urgent; get it done; hop to it; no getting around it or out of it; it's a "must."

1. (Luke 2:49) "Did you not know that I must be about My Father's business?"

(v42) "Twelve years old" and Jesus recognizes the Father's business.

(Luke 3:23) "Jesus Himself began His ministry at about thirty years of age."

(Luke 4:43) "I must preach the kingdom of God" (John 4:43) "My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me, and to finish His work." (John 9:4) "I must work the works of Him who sent Me" (Luke 22:42) "not My will, but Yours be done"

For you and me: (Philippians 2:5) "Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus"

2. (John 3:3 – 7) " ... Do not marvel that I said to you, You must be born again."

"You" - it's personal; "all nations;" everyone; it's each of us.

"enter the kingdom of God" - enter the church, the body, and kingdom are the same:

(Ephesians 1:22-23; Colossians 1:13, v18; Acts 2:40-41, v47)

"Must be born again" - (1 Peter 1:22-23) "... in obeying the truth through the Spirit ... having been born again, ... through the word of God which lives and abides forever"

3. (John 3:14-15, v18) " ... even so must the Son of Man be lifted up ... "

Jesus draws a lesson from an O.T. story: (Numbers 21:4-9) "Make a fiery serpent, and set it on a pole, and it shall be that everyone who is bitten, when he looks at it, shall live ... " The people had to trust and obey for their healing.

Jesus must be lifted up on the cross, up and out of the tomb, and up from the earth:

(Romans 4:25; Ephesians 1:19-20; John 12:32-33)

Having been "lifted up," Jesus gives us opportunity to trust and obey for salvation.

4. (John 4:23-24) " ... the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth ... and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth"

"worship the Father" - do not bow down to any other or any image.

"in spirit" - right attitude; with enthusiasm; and as a child of the Father.

"in truth" - (John 17:17) "Thy word is truth" (Romans 12:1) "present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service" (or "your spiritual worship").

5. (Mark 8:31 – 33) " ... the Son of Man must suffer many things ... "

Here is the list of what happened: (Matthew 16:21, 17:22-23, 20:17-19;

Hebrews 12:2, 9:28; Luke 24:6-8; Acts 2:23-24, v32)

CONCLUSION: (Acts 4:12) "Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."