

The Greatest Experiences Of A Lifetime

Matthew 4:17

17. From that time on Jesus began to preach, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is near."

Acts 3:19 - "Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord"

Acts 20:21 - "I have declared to both Jews and Greeks that they must turn to God in repentance and have faith in our Lord Jesus."

Lk. 15:7 - I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent.)

Matthew 4:18-25

18. As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen.

19. "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will make you fishers of men."

20. At once they left their nets and followed him.

21. Going on from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John. They were in a boat with their father Zebedee, preparing their nets. Jesus called them,

22. and immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.

23. Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness among the people.

24. News about him spread all over Syria, and people brought to him all who were ill with various diseases, those suffering severe pain, the demon-possessed, those having seizures, and the paralyzed, and he healed them.

25. Large crowds from Galilee, the Decapolis, Jerusalem, Judea and the region across the Jordan followed him.

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Lk. 9:23 - Then he said to them all: "If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me.

I. Life giving TEACHING!

Matthew 7:28-29 – When Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were amazed at his teaching, because he taught as one who had authority, and not as their teachers of the law.

Ps. 1:3 - "He is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither. Whatever he does prospers."

II. Life changing REVELATION!

1. You'll understand that...He has done for us what no one else would or could do before!

Rom. 5:5-8 - And hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out his love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom he has given us. You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous man, though for a good man someone might possibly dare to die. But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

2. You'll understand things that this world simply cannot grasp!

1Peter 1:12 - It was revealed to them that they were not serving themselves but you, when they spoke of the things that have now been told you by those who have preached the gospel to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven. Even angels long to look into these things.

Rom. 16:25-27

25. Now to him who is able to establish you by my gospel and the proclamation of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery hidden for long ages past,

26. but now revealed and made known through the prophetic writings by the command of the eternal God, so that all nations might believe and obey him--

27. to the only wise God be glory forever through Jesus Christ! Amen.

1Cor. 15:51-52

51. Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed--

52. in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed.

Eph.1:9-10

9. And he made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ,

10. to be put into effect when the times will have reached their fulfillment--to bring all things in heaven and on earth together under one head, even Christ.

Col. 1:2-6

2. Surely you have heard about the administration of God's grace that was given to me for you,

3. that is, the mystery made known to me by revelation, as I have already written briefly.

4. In reading this, then, you will be able to understand my insight into the mystery of Christ,

5. which was not made known to men in other generations as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to God's holy apostles and prophets.

6. This mystery is that through the gospel the Gentiles are heirs together with Israel, members together of one body, and sharers together in the promise in Christ Jesus.

Col. 1:25-28

25. I have become its servant by the commission God gave me to present to you the word of God in its fullness--

26. the mystery that has been kept hidden for ages and generations, but is now disclosed to the saints.

27. To them God has chosen to make known among the Gentiles the glorious riches of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

28. We proclaim him, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone perfect in Christ.

III. Life saving OPPORTUNITIES!

Luke 10:17-20– The seventy-two returned with joy and said, "Lord, even the demons submit to us in your name." He replied, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you. However, do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

IV. Life changing ENCOUNTERS!

Mark 9:2-9, Jesus takes Peter, James and John up into a mountain and there reveals His glory to them.

Vs. 5 - "Master, it is good for us to be here."

V. Life empowering MIRACLES!

Mark 2:12– He got up, took his mat and walked out in full view of them all. This amazed everyone and they praised God, saying, "We have never seen anything like this!"

2Cor. 5:17 - Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!