

JESUS CHRIST – THE SAME

Introduction

- 1) **Hebrews 13:8** – “*Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever*”
- 2) In times of earthly revolutions, transformations, and change, it should be refreshing to know that some things do **not** change, but stay the same
- 3) As Christians, our confidence is in the “same” Jesus Christ – great comfort and faith

I) **THE “SAME”**

- A) One other time in the book of Hebrews is this “sameness” of Jesus noted – 1:8-12
 - 1) Jesus is the Son who is the reigning God, and the Yahweh of creation
 - 2) The earth and heavens grow old, perish, change, but Jesus remains the SAME!
- B) That Jesus is the same *yesterday* (past), *today* (present), *forever* (future) refers to His timeless and unchanging divine person and character that we can know and trust
- C) Jesus can and does respond to us as His people (Heb. 4:15-16) and does so in a consistent character of love, wisdom, righteousness, and power. He possesses a perfect knowledge and plan so that He never changes His character and purpose due to unforeseen circumstances. He is the same in His perfect knowledge and perfect plan, and perfectly executes that plan to bring about eternal salvation for all His faithful children.
 - 1) This immutability [unchangeableness] of God’s counsel is the foundation of our hope as an anchor of the soul (Heb. 6:13-20)
 - 2) Basis of our love, hospitality, compassion, faithfulness, contentment, and subjection (Heb. 13:1-17)

II) **UNCHANGEABLE THINGS TODAY IN JESUS**

- A) The words of Jesus Christ (Matt. 24:35)
- B) The truth of Jesus Christ (Eph. 4:20-21)
- C) The doctrine of Jesus Christ (2 Jn. 9)
- D) The morality taught by Jesus Christ (Rom. 13:13-14)
- E) The salvation in Jesus Christ (Acts 4:12)
- F) The grace of Jesus Christ (Eph. 1:7)
- G) The peace of Jesus Christ (Rom. 5:1)
- H) The return of Jesus Christ (Heb. 9:28)
- I) The reward of Jesus Christ (2 Tim. 4:8)

III) **WHAT WE MUST KEEP UNCHANGED IN OUR LIVES**

- A) Our holy faith (Jude 20)
- B) Our steadfast obedience (1 Cor. 15:58)
- C) Our battle against evil (Eph. 6:11)
- D) Our desire to save souls (Jas. 5:19-20)
- E) Our goal to go to heaven (Phil. 3:13-14)

Conclusion

Jesus Christ is the *same* God and Savior yesterday, today, and forever! This is the basis of our faithfulness and hope. We have something to hold on to that will not fade away or go away. Are you steady and sure, or drifting in a sea of doubt and sin? Go to Jesus today.