

JESUS CHRIST: THE ONLY WAY TO SALVATION

1. JESUS CHRIST IS THE ONLY SAVIOUR

John 14:1 "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me. 2 In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. 4 You know the way to the place where I am going." 5 Thomas said to him, "Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?" 6 Jesus answered, "**I am The Way and The Truth and The Life.**

2. ONLY FAITH IN CHRIST SAVES

John 14:1 "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; **trust also in me**

John 14:9 Jesus answered: "Don't you **know me**, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? 10 **Don't you believe** that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you are not just my own. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work. 11 **Believe me** when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the miracles themselves. 12 I tell you the truth, **anyone who has faith in me** will do what I have been doing. He will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. 13 And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Son may bring glory to the Father. 14 You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.

3. OTHER FAITHS DO NOT SAVE

John 14:6 **No-one** comes to the Father **except through me.**

John 3:18 Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but **whoever does not believe stands condemned** already because he has not believed in the name of God's one and only Son. 19 This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but men loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil.

Katharine Jefferts Schori (Presiding Bishop of the American Episcopal Church) contradicts Jesus and rejects the uniqueness of Christ, "Human communities have always searched for relationship with that which is beyond them... with the ultimate, the divine. For Christians, we say that our route to God is through Jesus. That doesn't mean that a Hindu doesn't experience God except through Jesus. It says that Hindus and people of other faith traditions approach God through their own cultural contexts."

The position of the Ancient church and the Church of England uphold the uniqueness of Christ as the exclusive saviour through faith only in Him:

*Whosoever wishes to be saved
before all things it is necessary that he hold the universal faith,
which faith, if anyone does not keep it whole and unharmed,
without doubt he will perish everlastingly.
Now, the universal faith is this,
that we worship one God in Trinity, and Trinity in Unity, (The Athanasian
Creed)*

ARTICLE 18 (of the Church of England's 39 Articles)

Obtaining salvation only by the name of Christ
Those who presume to say that every person shall be saved by the rule of life, religion or sect that he professes, provided he makes diligent efforts to live by that rule and the light of nature, must be regarded as accursed. For holy Scripture declares to us that it is only in the name of Jesus Christ that men must be saved (Acts 4:12; "And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men, by which we must be saved.")