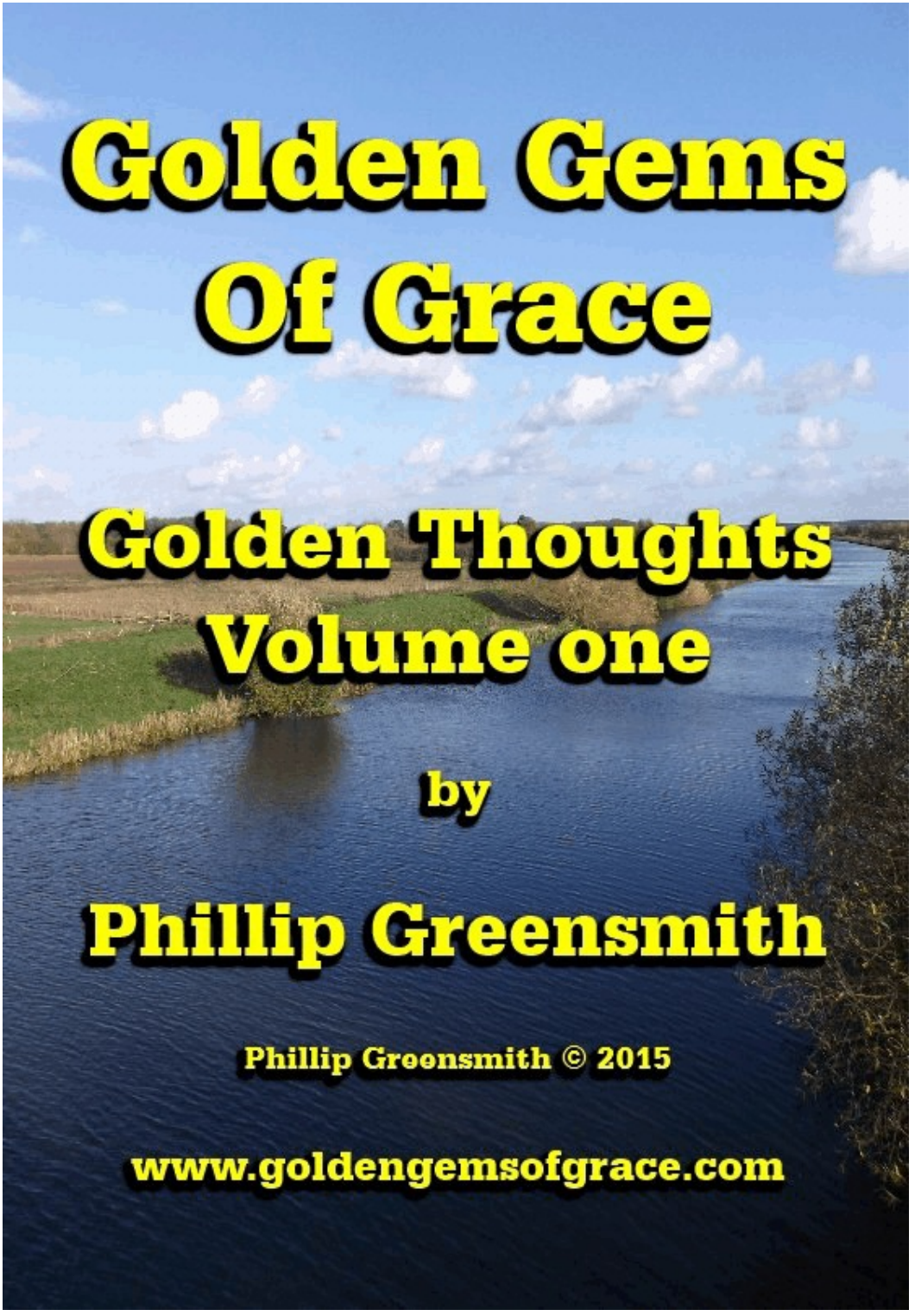

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A close walk with the Lord will either keep you from having an affair, or having an affair will keep you from having a close walk with the Lord!

You can't have both!

A person who knows that Jesus and has forgiven their sins has a conscience that is free! 'What can this world offer that is better than that?!'

A true Christian cannot sin without having a bad conscience!

A true Christian may fall into sin, but they don't live a sinful lifestyle!

A true Christian may fall into sin, but they don't love sin!

A true Christian should not have anything to do with Halloween, because he/she belongs to the 'Kingdom Of Light', and not the kingdom of darkness!

After being beaten almost to death and nailed to a cross, Jesus prayed:- "Father forgive them, for they know not what they do!"

Almost, misses the mark!

Backsliding' starts with 'Slack Abiding'!

Be at peace, God is with you!

Because you call yourself a Christian doesn't mean that you are one!

Because you don't agree with a preacher doesn't automatically make him a heretic!

Because you don't like the style of gospel music, doesn't mean that God can't use it!

...behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.
2 Corinthians 6:2b

You cannot repent of your sin in Hell and you will get no second chance after this life is over!

Being a Christian

isn't just

'Pie In The Sky

When You Die.'

It's also

'Cake On The Plate

While You Wait!'

Being born again doesn't make us 'sinless', but it should make us 'sin less'!

Can you take Jesus with you 'everywhere you go'?

Christ Is An Historical Figure! We date our calendars from when He walked this Earth! 'Have you ever heard of any calendars being dated on a myth'?

Christians don't know everything! Just because they can't answer all of your questions doesn't mean that they are wrong!

Denying that Jesus

is the only

way of salvation,

is like a drowning

man denying

that a lifeline

will save him!

Did you know that you can have a 'personal relationship with Jesus'?

Do you fear Death? 'Jesus' is 'The Resurrection' and 'The Life'!

'Do you have riches', or 'do riches have you'!

'Do you have roast pastor for 'Sunday lunch?' Even though they he not always be right, we do need to remember that he is a man anointed by God.

Do you know

Christ personally,

or do you

just know

about Him?

Even a cup of water given in the name of Jesus will not go un-noticed!

Even if you prove to yourself that there is no God. It won't change a thing. He's still there and you are still held accountable unless you repent!

Even the smallest task done in the name of Jesus will not go un-noticed!

Even though He doesn't condone sin, Jesus is the friend of sinners!

Ever tried to think of something that doesn't exist? You may think of a pink elephant but pink exists, and so do elephants. But try thinking up a brand new colour not using existing colours. Can't do it? 'So where did the idea of God come from if He doesn't exist!'

For any theory to be true it cannot break any known scientific law. The theory of Evolution breaks a number of these, listed below:

'The Law of Biogenesis.'
'The First Law of Thermodynamics.'
'The Second Law of Thermodynamics.'

For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.

Ephesians 2:8,9

For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.

Romans 8:18

For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Romans 6:23

Giving your testimony is a powerful witness! They will either have to believe you or call you a liar!

God always hears a repentant sinner!

God always was,

is, and

always shall be!

Nothing anyone

can say or do

can alter this fact!

God cannot lie, because whatever He says, becomes the truth!

God doesn't sent anyone to Hell, but by rejecting Jesus they choose to go to Hell Themselves!

God doesn't want to condemn you, that is why He sent Jesus!

'God doesn't want to condemn you to Hell'! But 'if you reject His offer of salvation through Jesus,' 'you leave Him no choice'!

'God doesn't want you to go to Hell, 'He wants you to live with Him in Heaven'!' That's why He sent Jesus to pay the penalty of your sin'!'

God had a problem! How could He be just and forgive the sinner? So He took the penalty Himself!

God is no killjoy and the only thing He wants to take away from you is 'your sin'!

God is not hiding from you! If you want to know if there is a God, why not ask Him to reveal Himself to you?

God is still in the miracle working business!

Hallelujah!

Jesus Christ is victorious over sin, death, Hell and the grave!

Halloween is like Christmas for Satan!

...He has also set eternity in the human heart; yet no one can fathom what God has done from beginning to end.
Ecclesiastes 3:11

No matter how atheistic a man or woman may claim to be there know that there is something beyond this life. But for some reason they put on a hard face of denial.

Hell is no joke, and it is certainly nothing to laugh about. It is a very real and terrible place 'to be avoided at all cost'!

I would like to challenge anyone to disprove the 'Resurrection of Christ'!

If God be for us, who can be against us? Romans 8:31b

If it were true that there is no God, as atheists claim, why are so many of them so vehemently apposed to those who believe that there is a God?

If Jesus didn't raise from the dead, how do you explain the empty tomb!

If Jesus had come to today's world instead of 2.000 years ago, mankind would treat Him exactly as they same did back then!

If Jesus hadn't singled out Lazarus everyone within the sound of His voice would have been raised from the dead!

If Jesus were to come back today, would you be ready?

If man has lived on this Earth for millions of years, why do the earliest calendars only date back about six thousand years!

If the Lord asked you to do something that would make you feel like an idiot, would you do it?

If the Lord asked you to make a stand that would make you unpopular, would you do it?

If the Lord has given you a work to do, you are immortal until it is complete!

If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed: For he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds.

2 John 10,11

If there never was a worldwide flood, why does every culture in the world have an historical story of one?

If there is no God as atheists claim, why do all people have a sense of right and wrong?

If there is no Hell, you have nothing to worry about. But what if you are wrong? 'Is it worth taking the risk'?

If when I come to the end of my life as a Christian and I find that there is no Heaven after all then I've lost nothing. But if you come to the end of your life and you find out that there is a Hell after all then my friend you will have lost everything!

If you are a shut-in

and you would say

"All I can do is pray."

Then God Bless You!'

The Lord has

given you a

wonderful ministry!

If you are 'almost saved,' you are not saved at all!

If you are being battered by Satan, you must pose a threat to him!

If you are counting on the Lord giving you a near death experience and a second chance don't bank on it because there is absolutely no promise of it. In fact the opposite of this is true!

'...behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.' 2 Corinthians 6:2b

If you are not for Christ, you are against Him!

If you are too busy to spend time with the Lord, you are just to busy!

If you are truly sorry for what you have done and ask Jesus to be merciful and forgive you, you will be forgiven!

In Hell

no-one is

an atheist!

'In the beginning God' created the 'Heavens and the Earth'!

God was the only one there in the beginning and He never lies!

Israel are made out to be the aggressors by the media, when they are only defending themselves just like any other nation would do!

It doesn't matter how big a sinner your are! 'Jesus will forgive you if you ask Him too'!

It doesn't matter what you have done! If you ask Jesus for forgiveness you will receive it!

It doesn't matter what you have done 'Jesus stands with arm open wide to welcome and forgive you, if you ask Him too'!

It is easy to look at the things God hasn't blessed you with, but what about the things that He has?

Jesus!

all power in Heaven and in Earth is given to 'Him'!

Jesus answered, 'Thou couldest have no power at all against me, except it were given thee from above:..'. John 19:11

Although we are commanded to submit to those in authority over us, it is good to remember that this verse also applies to the child of God. The world has no power over us except that it be given to them from above!

Jesus!

At His Name

every knee

'Shall Bow'!

Jesus calls to you, "Come follow Me"!

Jesus can mend a broken heart!

'Jesus Christ'!

King of Kings

and

Lord of Lords!

'Jesus Christ'!

The keys of life and death are in His Hands!

Jesus Christ can set you free from the Occult!

'Jesus Christ' is 'Lord!'

Jesus Christ is:-

The

Resurrection

And

The Life!

'Jesus Christ' will have the final say! 'His Word is law!'

'Jesus !'

demons tremble

at the sound of

'That Name'!

'Jesus' defeated Satan 'at the cross'!

Jesus didn't come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance!

Jesus died

for you!

Jesus doesn't save us 'In Our Sin,' He saves us 'From Our Sin'!

Jesus doesn't want to spoil your life! He came to give you life in all its fullness!

Jesus Is Coming Back! He didn't come today? That only makes it more likely that He will come tomorrow!

Jesus Christ is:-

'The Alpha and Omega', 'The First and The Last', 'The Beginning and The End'!

Just as you can't earn your salvation by doing good, you can't un-earn it by doing wrong!

Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven,... Matthew 6:19,20

Legalising something that is morally wrong will not make it right!

Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God. Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God:... Romans 13:1,2

As Christian's we do not have the right to break the speed limit or any other traffic law!

Man may change what God has said, but He won't!

Many people remember the 'Baby Jesus,' but forget that He is the 'Christ of the Cross'!

Marriage

is

for life!

'Never' give up

'There Is

Always Hope'

Never use the Bible to back up what you believe, but rather base what you believe on what the Bible says!

No matter how dark the way 'Jesus Is The Light'!

No matter how deep you've sunk in sin, Jesus arms are long enough to lift you out!

No matter how impossible the situation 'Jesus Is The Answer'!

'Only Believe' all things are possible!

Only God can forgive you of your sin!

People may accuse us of being too 'Heavenly minded' too be of any 'Earthly good', but it is possible to be too 'Earthly minded' too be of any 'Heavenly good'!

Religion cannot save you, but 'Jesus Can'!

Religion causes wars, but being a true follower of Jesus never will!

Salvation is free, but it cost Jesus His life!

Satan hates you! He wants to destroy your life, rob, deceive you, and take away from you everything that is dear to your heart, and ultimately wants you to end up in Hell. So why have anything to do with him? Why celebrate Halloween?

Satan is ultimately responsible for all the trouble in the world!

'So why have anything to do with him'?

'So why celebrate Halloween'?

Satan will tempt you to sin, and then accuse you when you fall!

Some atheists accuse Christians of ramming God down peoples throats, but that is exactly what they're doing with evolution. You can hardly watch a scientific or nature programme without it being mentioned!

Some Christians believe that Jesus received thirty nine stripes because Jewish Law only permitted that many, but Jesus was whipped by the Romans, so He very likely received far more!

'Something that Darwin didn't know'! 'There are no simple life forms'! Even the single cell and bacteria are very complex and not are simple at all!

Suicide is not the answer.

'Don't Do It!'

Don't jump out of the frying pan of sorrow into the fire of Hell!

The Bible is the divinely inspired Word of God! So why try to fit man's atheistic evolutionary theories into it?

The Bible never contradicts 'True 'Scientific Fact', it only contradicts 'Atheistic Scientific Theories'!

The Big Bang Is Impossible!

How can nothing explode into something when there is nothing there in the first place to explode?!

Here is the other theory of the Big Bang and it too is impossible! The whole Universe is packed into something smaller than an atom. If you have 'infinite density' you also have 'infinite gravity' which would prevent the Big Bang from happening!

'The Cross' is important, but so is 'The Resurrection'!

The day when you meet Christ face to face, 'Will He say' "Welcome Home"? or "Go Away?"

The dearest treasure of my heart is a smile from the Saviour!

The fact that the Earth's surface is 70% water, is a good indication that there was a worldwide flood!

The greatest event in world history was when God walked this planet just over 2000 years ago!

Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.

Matthew 16:24

There are no good people in heaven! There are only sinners who have been made righteous by the precious blood of Jesus!

There are not many atheists in a crisis!

There are thousands of people in Hell because they put off coming to Christ for salvation until 'tomorrow'!

There can never be a grave made that can hold Jesus captive!

There is a God shaped vacuum in all of us that only He can fill!

Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

2 Corinthians 5:17

Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, Romans 8:1

This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners;...

1 Timothy 1:15

Those who accuse Christians of being intolerant, are sometimes more intolerant than the Christians they accuse!

Those who criticise the most are usually the ones who are doing the least!

Though you may fail Him a thousand times, 'Jesus stands ready to forgive you'!

Though you

may turn away

from God,

He will

never turn away

from you!

To be almost saved is to be altogether lost!

To die knowing

Christ is

'Endless Bliss'!

To die not

knowing Him

'Is Endless Torment'!

To die knowing

Christ is

'The Greatest Gain'!

To die not

knowing Him is

'The Greatest Tragedy'!

True Christianity is not 'Religion'! It is a 'relationship with the living God'!

Twisting the Word of God to make it say what you want it say, 'Will Not Change What God Has Said!'

Unless you turn to Christ for forgiveness, you will have to pay the price of your sin!

We need 'the church in the world' to win the lost, but not 'the world in the church'!

We should never use the Lord's Name to splice up our conversations. After all, would you like your name being used in the same manner!

What will you do with Jesus? Neutral you cannot be; someday your heart will be asking. 'What will He do with Me'?

Words from the hymn
'What Will You Do With Jesus?'
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What you and I think doesn't really matter. It is what God says that really Counts!

When criticising a man or woman of God we need to remember. If they are wrong, the Lord will hold them accountable.

But if they're right and we criticise them, the Lord will hold us accountable! So instead of criticising why not pray for them?

When God speaks 'His Word Is Final'!

When He hath tried me, I shall come forth as gold.

Job 23:10b

When sewing the Lord don't worry about criticism! The only way to stop people criticising is, say nothing and do nothing, and even then people will criticise you because you aren't saying or doing anything! 'So carry on regardless'!

When someone fixes a date that the Lord is coming back, you can guarantee that He won't come on that day, because no-one knows the day or the hour that He will return!

When the Lord made a woman, He took a rib from Adams side, not from his feet that he might tread on her, not from his head that she might rule over him, but from his side that she would be his equal.

When the way looks dark, look to Jesus, 'He Is The Light'!

When things are really bad and you don't feel that you can pray, you can always cry out, "Lord, please help me"!

When we have to say something that may offend, it must always be seasoned with love!

When you are

'Born Again'

God pronounces

you

'Not Guilty'!

When you are 'Born Again' you see things from God's perspective!

When you are tempted to give in to sin, remind yourself how terrible you will feel afterwards!

When you become 'Born Again' God gives you a new heart!

When you come to know the Lord, you will find Him to be the most loving, kindest, and caring person you have ever met!

When you confess your sins to God, He doesn't forget your sins! He chooses not to remember them! There is a difference!

When you have a real experience with Jesus you cannot doubt that He exists!

When you have an encounter with Jesus, you will never be the same!

When you lead someone to the Lord, you never know, you could be at the fountainhead of a mighty river!

When you feel that your prayers are just bouncing off the ceiling it is good to remember that God is the same side of the ceiling as you are!

Whether to accept Jesus as your Lord and Saviour is the most important decision that you will ever make in your entire life! It will determine where you will spend eternity?! 'Heaven or Hell'?!

Who do you believe with regards to the origin of things? Man who lies, deceives, cheats, makes mistakes, doesn't know everything, and wasn't there at the beginning, or God who never lies, deceives, or cheats, never makes a mistake, knows everything, and was there at the beginning?

'Whom do you say that I the Son of Man am?'

With regards to mount Rushmore in the USA.

'Isn't it amazing what millions of years of erosion can produce'?

With regards to the two thieves who died alongside Christ: 'One got saved', so no-one need despair! 'The other one didn't' so no-one need presume!

Without 'The Cross' there is no salvation!

Without the Resurrection our faith is vain!

Without the Resurrection, the Cross would be meaningless!

...have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them.

Ephesians 5:11

'Would Jesus celebrate Halloween?'

Would Jesus do 'trick or treat'?

Would Jesus have been beaten almost to death and nailed to a cross to save you, if there were no Hell to save you from!

Would Jesus play video games that are obviously evil?

Would Jesus watch horror movies?

Would Jesus wear clothes with evil logos depicting death?

Would you reuse an unfranked postage stamp? To do so is stealing from the post office!

Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is He that is in you, than he that is in the world.

1 John 4:4

You are not saved because you have had a religious experience but if you are truly 'Born Again of the Spirit of God' you should have an experience to backup what has happened in your heart!

You are only a heartbeat from eternity. Where will you spend it? Heaven? or Hell?

You are not a mistake, you are very precious to God and He loves very much!

You are not worthless! You are very precious to Jesus and He loves you very much!

You can live as you like, but God will hold you accountable as to how you have lived!

You cannot alter the truth by what you believe!

You may ask "How can a God of love condemn anyone to Hell?" My answer is this, "How can a God of righteousness overlook sin!"

God has made a way of escape when He sent Jesus to die on the cross!

You may win a debate with a true Christian about the way of salvation, but it will be at the cost of your soul! So it will be no victory at all!

You've not sinned if you have a sinful thought, but you have if you entertain it'!

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