

## **Christ Came To Save The Whole World Not Just Israel**

1John 2:2 says: **And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for *the sins of* the whole world.**

1John 4:14 says: **And we have seen and do testify that the Father sent the Son *to be* the Saviour of the world.**

Christ's ministry was not limited to the Jews in his own nation as many hyper dispensationalists teach. His ministry was much wider. He came to be a light to the world, to die for the sins of the world, to be the Saviour of the world and not just Jews in Israel.

John also wrote the book of John. Notice what he said about Christ and the world in the book of John.

John 1:29 **The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.**

John 3:16-17 **For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.**

John 4:42 **And said unto the woman, Now we believe, not because of thy saying: for we have heard *him* ourselves, and know that this is indeed the Christ, the Saviour of the world.**

John 6:33 **For the bread of God is he which cometh down from heaven, and giveth life unto the world.**

John 6:51 **I am the living bread which came down from heaven: if any man eat of this bread, he shall live for ever: and the bread that I will give is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world.**

John 8:12 **Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.**

John 9:5 **As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.**

**John 12:47 And if any man hear my words, and believe not, I judge him not: for I came not to judge the world, but to save the world.**

From these verses you can see that Christ did not come into the world to bless and save the Jews only. He came to save the whole world. He came into the world to be the Savior of us “red necks” in Alabama just like the Jews in Israel. His ministry was not limited to the Jews in Israel only as these hyper dispensationalists teach. The Four Gospels present Christ as the Savior of the whole world!

What John said about Jesus being the Savior of the world laid the foundation for Paul’s ministry of reconciliation. In his earthly ministry Christ came to be the Savior of the whole world and sent men like Paul to tell the whole world they can be reconciled to God because of what he did for them while he was still in the world. Throughout the world today God is reconciling both Jews and gentiles unto himself because of the sacrifice Christ offered for their sins while he was in the world. (See 2 Cor.5:18-19) For the world to be reconciled to God their sins had to be paid for in full. Sin caused the breach, but the blood of Christ removed it. He came into the world to become sin for the whole world, that the world might be reconciled to God. See Col. 1:20-22