## **JESUS NEVER FAILS!**

"He shall not fail nor be discouraged, till he have set judgment in the earth:" (Isa 42:4)

Sometimes I fail, sometimes you fail, but Jesus never fails!

All of the other leaders of the world fail, but Jesus never fails! **Mohammed** married a six year old girl. **Mao Tse Tung** executed millions. **Hitler** hated the Jews. **Bill Clinton** had his trysts with Jennifer and Monica. **Jesus**, however, never fails! You will never be embarrassed by Jesus!

Paul wrote: "For no-one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ" (1 Cor 3:11). No structure, as you know, can survive with a faulty foundation. Jesus is the foundation, and if He has a flaw, then Christianity will come crashing down. Not to worry! The church of Jesus Christ is founded upon the rock of His own deity! Remember Peter's good confession! "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God." (Matt 16:16). It was at that point that Jesus promised: "upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." (Matt 16:18). Jesus never fails!

In 1984, there were rumors that Presidential candidate, **Gary Hart,** was having an affair. Hart promptly issued this challenge to reporters: "Follow me around. I don't care. I'm serious. If anybody wants to put a tail on me, go ahead. They'll be very bored." Unfortunately, for Hart, the Miami Herald took him at his word and published pictures of him with his girl friend, thus sinking his presidential hopes. Jesus issued a similar challenge: "Can any of you prove me guilty of sin? (John 8:46) After 2,000 years of scrutiny, nobody has! Jesus never fails!

This is not to say that Jesus didn't have enemies. From the first day of His public ministry some people wanted to kill Him. With the help of Judas, the traitor, they finally did. What kind of people, may we ask, wanted to kill Jesus? He was, as you know, a man Who went around doing "good", and healing "all that were oppressed of the devil" (Acts 10:38). He loved little children. He fed the hungry. He brought the beauty of the sunset to blinded eyes. He brought the laughter of little children to deafened ears. He cleansed the lepers that they might return home to their families. Again we ask, what kind of a person could possibly be repulsed by such goodness? The answer is obvious. Only satanic people who are intrinsically evil could ever want to kill Jesus. Paul put it bluntly: "If any man love not the Lord Jesus Christ, let him be Anathema Maranatha." (1 Cor 16:22).

Isaiah recognized reality when he wrote: "Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!" (Isa 5:20) Unfortunately there are people with such distorted values that they are reduced to the level of animals. Both Peter and Jude described such as "natural brute beasts" (2 Pet. 2:12, Jude 10). Such horrific symbolism, of course, can never be accurately applied to Jesus, for Jesus never fails!

Mary and Martha once thought Jesus had failed, but they were wrong!. Their brother Lazarus was sick and they sent word with the hope that Jesus would come and heal him. Upon receiving this news, however, Jesus deliberately stayed where He was two more days (Jn. 11:6). In the mean while, as you know, Lazarus died. His sisters were indignant. Martha said to Jesus: "If you had been here, my brother would not have died" (Jn. 11:21). Mary said the same thing: "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died" (Jn. 11:32). When Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead He prayed: "Father, I thank thee that thou hast heard me. And I knew that thou hearest me always: but because of the people which stand by I said it, that they may believe that thou hast sent me." (John 11:41-42) Then, as you know, Jesus called Lazarus back to life. How utterly wrong it is for any of us to ever believe that Jesus fails.

But what about you? Are you going through a crisis that requires divine assistance? Are you tempted to believe that Jesus doesn't care? Please be assured that Jesus not only cares about you, but not one sparrow can fall to the ground with His knowledge, and you are of more value than many sparrows (Matt. 10:31). DON'T EVER FORGET! JESUS NEVER FAILS!