





**The
rationality
of following
Christ**

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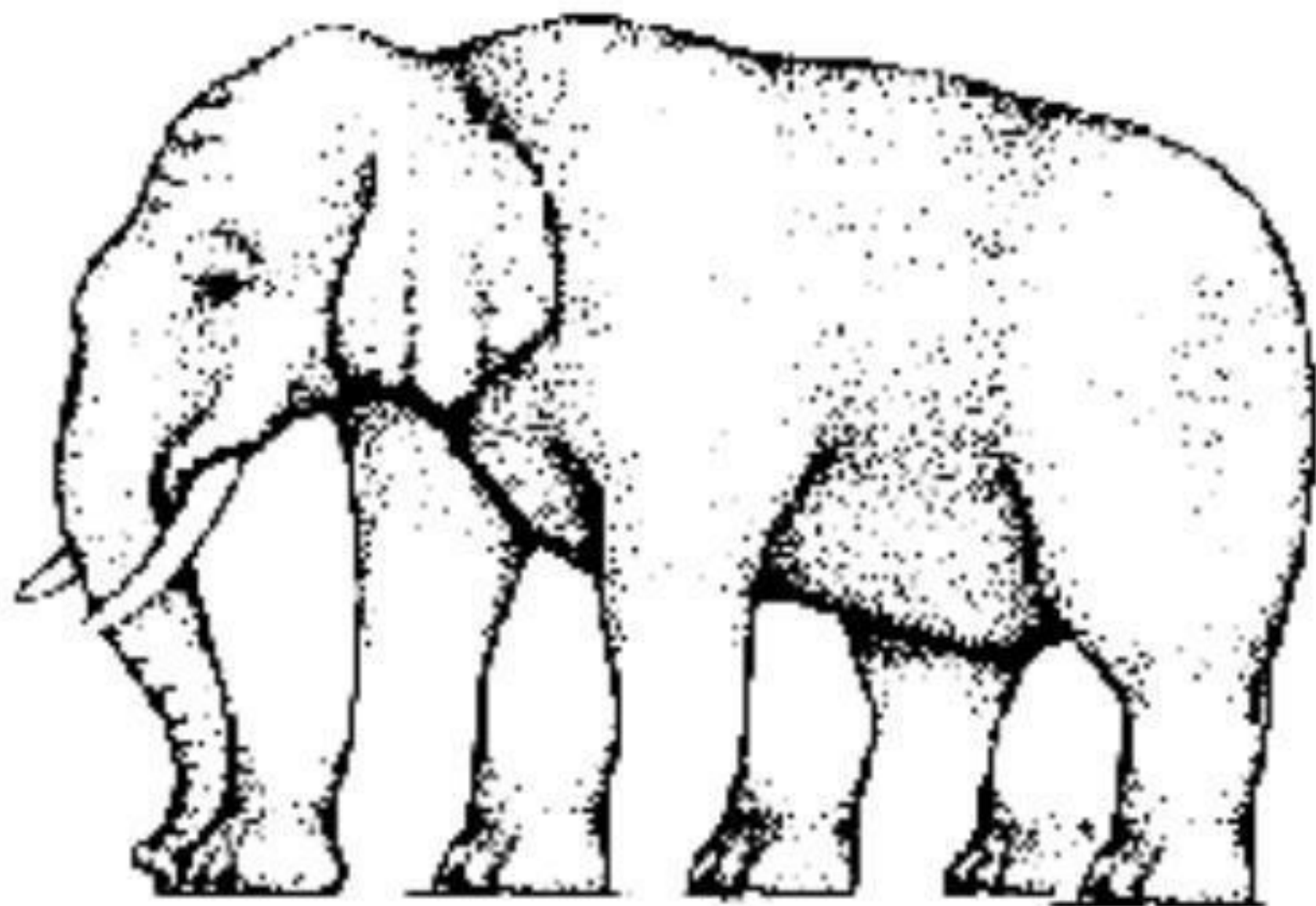
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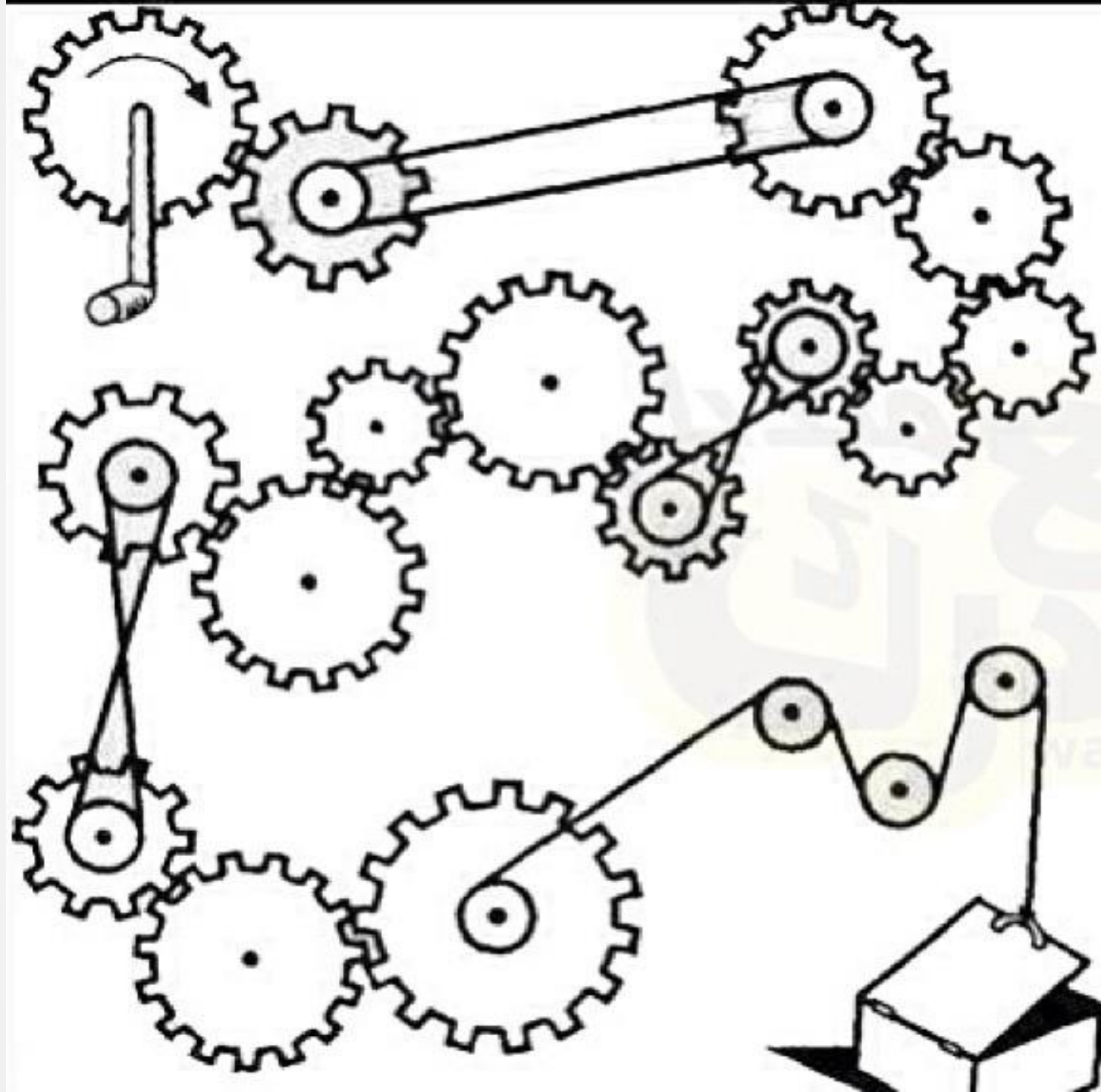
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**Is Christ a true
historical figure?**



Credibility of the New Testament

**Supported by
non-
Christian
Witnesses**

02

OPPONENTS



**Early
Eye
witness**

01

WITNESSES



The ten non-Christian sources are:

- 1. Josephus (Caesar's historian);**
- 2. Tacitus, the Roman historian;**
- 3. Pliny the Younger, a Roman politician;**
- 4. Phlegon, a freed slave who wrote histories;**
- 5. Thallus, a first-century historian;**
- 6. Seutonius, a Roman historian;**
- 7. Lucian, a Greek satirist;**
- 8. Celsus, a Roman philosopher;**
- 9. Mara Bar-Serapion, a private citizen who wrote to his son;**
- 10. Jewish Talmud.**

1. His disciples believed he rose from the dead.

Piecing together all ten non-Christian references, we see that:

1. Jesus lived during time of Tiberius Caesar.

2. He lived a virtuous life.

3. He was a wonder-worker.

4. He had a brother named James.

5. He was acclaimed to be the Messiah.

6. He was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

7. He was crucified on the eve of the Jewish Passover.

8. Darkness and an earthquake occurred when he died.

9. His disciples were willing to die for their belief.

10. Christianity spread rapidly as far as Rome.

11. His disciples denied the Roman gods and worshiped Jesus as God.

Credibility of the New Testament

include at least thirty
historically confirmed
public figures and
events

Supported by
non-
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Witnesses

Early
Eye
witness

include numerous
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include divergent
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describe miracles with
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Credibility of the New Testament

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Early Eye witness

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WITNESSES



OPPONENTS



CONTEMPORARY



03

EMBARRASSING



04

DETAILS



05

UNEMBELLISHED



06

ABANDONED



07

**His
teachings**

**His
miracles**

His life

**Christ is a true historical figure and what
the Gospels tell about Him is TRUE**

**Did Christ rise
from death?**



CHRISTIANITY

THE EMPTY
TOMB



CLAIMS AND
RESPONSES

APPARITIONS

**Christ rose from the dead
and proved that he was
not just a man**



**Accordingly, all that
He said is right and
must be considered**



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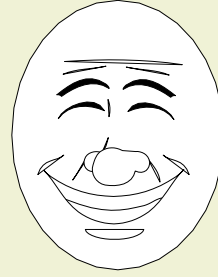
What Christ offers to His followers

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**Forgiveness
on a just
basis**

1

Human Case



God's justice

God's holiness

God's mercy

God's love



The Redeemer Should be:

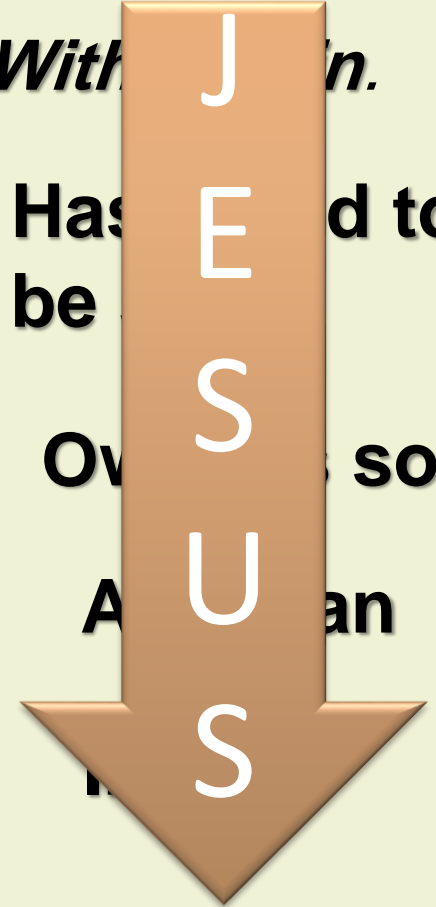
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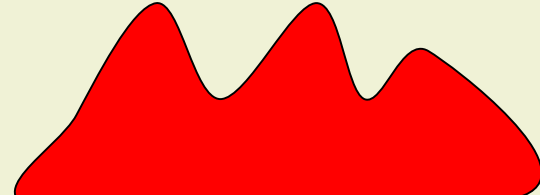
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No Salvation without HIM

**Forgiveness
on a just
basis**



Against
whom
sin is?

The wages of sin

= sin value * the value of
whom sin is against

$$= X * \infty = \infty$$

2

Hope after life

3

Purpose for life

4

**Peace
of heart**

5

**Power
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**Based on the above, is
the decision to follow
Christ rational?**

**What is your
decision?!!**

