

## **Things that God Does to Fulfill His Promises to Abraham: The Son Draws**

And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to Myself. (John 12:32, ESV)

Who and how does Jesus Christ draw people? How does one come to God and be chosen in the Old Testament (Covenant)? How does one come to God and be chosen in the New Testament (Covenant)?

28) Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven: "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." 29) The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." 30) Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not mine. 31) Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. 32) And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." 33) He said this to show by what kind of death he was going to die. (John 12:28-33, ESV)

16) "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. 17) For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. (John 3:16-17, ESV)

6) Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. 7) If you had known me, you would have known my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him." (John 14:6-7, ESV)

8) Those who are in the flesh cannot please God. 9) You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. (Rom 8:8-9, ESV)

What do you observe about the figurative meaning of sheep?

22) And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon." 23) But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, "Send her away, for she is crying out after us." 24) He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." 25) But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." 26) And he answered, "It is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." 27) She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." 28) Then Jesus answered her, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you desire." And her daughter was healed instantly. (Matt 15:22-28, ESV)

14) I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, 15) just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. 16) And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. (John 10:14-16, ESV)

24) So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly." 25) Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name bear witness about me, 26) but you do not believe because you are not among my sheep. 27) My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. 28) I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. 29) My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand. 30) I and the Father are one." (John 10:24-30, ESV)

44) The next Sabbath almost the whole city gathered to hear the word of the Lord. 45) But when the Jews saw the crowds, they were filled with jealousy and began to contradict what was spoken by Paul, reviling him. 46) And Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly, saying, "It was necessary that the word of God be spoken first to you. Since you thrust it aside and judge yourselves unworthy of eternal life, behold, we are turning to the Gentiles. 47) For so the Lord has commanded us, saying, "I have made you a light for the Gentiles, that you may bring salvation to the ends of the earth.'" (Acts 13:44-47, ESV)

How does Jesus Christ draw?

30:25) At that time, says the Lord, I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be My people.

31:1) So says the Lord: In the wilderness, the people who had escaped the sword found favor; He [therefore] went to give Israel their resting place. 2) From long ago, the Lord appeared to me; With everlasting love have I loved you; therefore have I drawn you to Me with loving-kindness. (Jer 30:25-31:2, Jewish Bible)

37) And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. 38) This is the great and first commandment. 39) And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. 40) On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets." (Matt 22:37-40, ESV)

16) "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. 17) For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. 18) Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. (John 3:16-18, ESV)

34) A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. 35) By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." (John 13:34-35, ESV)

9) As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. 10) If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. 11) These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full. 12) This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. 13) Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends. (John 15:9-13, ESV)

16) And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, 17) even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you. 18) "I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. 19) Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. 20) In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. 21) Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him." (John 14:16-17, ESV)

17) Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. 18) All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; 19) that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. 20) Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. (2 Cor 5:17-20, ESV)