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Jesus, his motivation

ILL- "Somebody else's problem- "Somebody else's problem (also known as someone else's problem or SEP) is a phrase coined comedically by Douglas Adams that refers to a "field" that hides objects. It has since passed into common usage, usually to refer to things people don't see, or don't want to see,"

An SEP is something we can't see, or don't see, or our brain doesn't let us see, because we think that it's somebody else's problem. That's what SEP means. Somebody Else's Problem. The brain just edits it out, it's like a blind spot.

The narration then explains:

The Somebody Else's Problem field... relies on people's natural predisposition not to see anything they don't want to, weren't expecting, or can't explain. If Effrafax had painted the mountain pink and erected a cheap and simple Somebody Else's Problem field on it, then people would have walked past the mountain, round it, even over it, and simply never have noticed that the thing was there."

We can be assured that Jesus takes an entirely different view, he has stepped up to the issue that Humanity is not "Somebody Else's Problem", it is His to solve.

Jesus someone who "gives a damn."

Ill- "Frankly, my dear, I don't give a damn" is a line from the 1939 film *Gone with the Wind* starring Clark Gable and Vivien Leigh. The line is spoken by Rhett Butler (Gable), as his last words to Scarlett O'Hara (Leigh), in response to her tearful question: "Where shall I go? What shall I do?" Scarlett, however, clings to the hope that she can win him back. This line is partially spoken by Rhett Butler in Margaret Mitchell's novel *Gone with the Wind*, published in 1936, from which the movie is derived.

The line demonstrates that Rhett has finally given up on Scarlett and their tumultuous relationship. After more than a decade of fruitlessly seeking her love, he no longer cares what happens to her.”

Once again we can be assured that Jesus does care, it is this deep love for the Father, and the care the Trinity has for us, humanity, that is the motivation behind his actions.

Jesus has been given a gift from the Father to him, it is humanity, and unlike character Rhett Butler, Jesus will not give up, far from it, he provides the solution for us.

"The entire purpose of the incarnation, of his coming down from heaven, was not to do his own will, but the will of the Father who sent him (v. 38), and that will was that the Son should lose none (i.e. no individual) of all that the Father had given him “-D. A. Carson

It is as if the Father said "Son, Go find the lost that I have given to you."

Collectors- Many in this world find deep pleasure in collecting. What they collect varies, but the ownership of these collection brings satisfaction.

Do we understand we are a gift from the Father to the Son, “Here Jesus, these are those who will spend eternity with us, go find them, and provide the way and place for them to join us in the communion we have.”

We are valuable, we are precious to Jesus and as such he has given all so we can know the reconciliation that he do desires. He offers to us the way to step into the communion of the trinity.

Jesus his offering

“Is anyone thirsty?
Come and drink—
even if you have no money!
Come, take your choice of wine or milk—
it’s all free!- Is 55:1

"The expression I am the bread of life is the first of seven similar claims, each with egō eimi (‘I am’) and a predicate. The other six (plus minor variations) are: I am the light of the world (8:12), the gate (10:7, 9), the

good shepherd (10:11, 14), the resurrection and the life (11:25), the way and the truth and the life (14:6), the true vine (15:1, 5)"- D. A. Carson

Listen to Dad, believe in me.

Jesus is clear that those who are truly part of the Kingdom of God will not only want to follow the Father but will demonstrate it by listening and responding to the Son. We will see and believe, this is Salvation.

Ill- Hospitality is an invitation to join into my life, and to allow your life to be blessed by it. It is correspondingly an acceptance for you to do the same to me.

Dwell with one another, joining the circle of the Trinity. (Ill-surrounded by the Trinity in the loop.)

Jesus is greater than us and his presence completes us. We become the beings we were always meant to be.

"That Jesus remains in the believer means that Jesus identifies himself with the believer, but not in reciprocal trust and transformation (that would be absurd) but in help, blessing, life, and personal presence by the Spirit"- D. A. Carson

"Jesus was using body and blood to represent everything needed to sustain and support life. Our lives will be supported so completely that we never will hunger or thirst. Our spiritual lives will be sustained so completely that they will endure until Jesus raises us up on the last day. We are to go to Jesus and to Him alone, for all the resources and the strength we need to live our new lives. We can rely only on our Lord." - Larry Richards and Lawrence O. Richards

It is be excited and relieved that "All that (a singular neuter is used to refer to the elect collectively) the Father gives to Jesus, as his gift to his Son, will surely come to him; and whoever in fact comes (by virtue of being given by the Father to the Son), Jesus undertakes to keep in, to preserve, Jesus has confidence is in his Father to bring to pass the Father's redemptive purposes: All that the Father gives me will come to me. Jesus' confidence in the success of his mission is frankly predestinarian"- D. A. Carson

Yet, "Divine sovereignty in salvation is a major theme in the Fourth Gospel - John is not embarrassed by this theme because unlike many contemporary philosophers and theologians, he does not think that human responsibility is thereby mitigated. Thus, he can speak with equal ease of those who look to the Son and believe in him: this they must do, if they are to enjoy eternal life. But this responsibility to exercise faith does not, for the Evangelist, make God contingent. In short, John is quite happy with the position that modern philosophy calls 'compatibilism' D. A. Carson

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- * Terry, from Australia, got his girlfriend Anna to wear her ring for 18 months
- * The keen craftsman hid the engagement band inside a wooden necklace
- * When he finally cracked the necklace open to propose on holiday, a stunned Anna said 'yes'

The fathers draw us with the wonderful wooing of a lover; he is extravagant in his acts of love for his creation.

'So long as a man remains, and is content to remain, confident of his own ability, without divine help, to assess experience and the meaning of experience, he cannot "come to" the Lord, he cannot "believe"; only the Father can move him to this step, with its incalculable and final results' - Lightfoot

My Salvation is not based on me, thank God!

Jesus his challenge

The real bread- step up to taste the real thing

We need to let the divine inform our life, not the other way around

"The Jews think they know all there is to know about Jesus' paternity, but they speak in ignorance not only of his virginal conception but his true identity. Repeatedly Jesus insists that his opponents do not know his (heavenly) Father at all (4:22; 8:19, 55; 15:21; 16:3; 17:25). Indeed, it will transpire that Jesus knows their 'father' (8:42ff.) far better than they know his! Unlike the readers of this Gospel, they do not know the Prologue—that the eternal Word became flesh (1:14)"- D. A. Carson

The people complain they see only the person, not the spiritual reality

To Remember

Jesus is not fickle, he doesn't get bored, he won't turn away to other things, he will continue to delight in us

Do we understand God's capacity to give to us, so that we can accept that this is the best solution for us?

Jesus won't drive you away, yet will not let you reside in squalor and filth, like a good health care professional, they accept and restore.

"A believer enjoys intimacy with and security in Jesus. Just as He has His life from the Father, so believers have life because of Jesus." Edwin A. Blum

"Meaning that a believer is characterised by his continuing trust"-Edwin A. Blum,