

The Other Sheep of Jesus

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Reverend Doctor <u>Jeremiah A. Wright Jr</u>. spoke at the National Press Club on Monday, April 28, 2008 and once again stirred more controversy. Wright is the retiring pastor of Chicago's Trinity United Church of Christ and also the ex-pastor to <u>Barak Obama</u> and his family.



Wright has been criticized for his "divisive" sermons, speaking about past and present injustices by white America toward people of color.

Obama, who is running for the <u>Democratic Presidential</u> <u>Nomination</u>, has been criticized for his "link" to Wright, and possibly his views. He is now trying to distance his campaign from this controversy. With the problems of Rev. Wright's flaming sermons, the endorsement of <u>Louis Farrakhan</u>, leader of the <u>Nation of Islam</u>, and his own questionable childhood background with <u>Islam</u>, Obama see's damage control as a top priority.

At the end of Wright's speech on Monday, the <u>modera-</u> <u>tor</u> asked Wright this question: "Jesus said, I am the way, the truth, and the life. No man cometh unto the father but through me. <u>Do you believe this</u>? And <u>do</u> <u>you think Islam is a way to salvation</u>?"

Reverend Wright answered, "Jesus also said, "Other sheep have I who are not of this fold." <u>The crowd</u> <u>exploded in applause</u>. But Wright never answered either question, but left to the imagination that the "<u>other</u> <u>sheep</u>" could possibly be followers of "<u>Islam</u>."

However, the **TRUTH** about the "other sheep" is found in the word of God. In Matthew 15:24, Jesus said "...I am not sent but unto <u>the lost sheep of the</u> <u>house of Israel</u>." Jesus instructed his disciples, "...Go <u>NOT</u> into the way of the <u>Gentiles</u>..." (Matthew 10:5).

But in John 10:16, Jesus told his Jewish disciples "...<u>other sheep I have</u>, which are not of this fold: them also I <u>must</u> bring, and <u>they shall hear my voice</u>; and there shall be <u>one fold</u>, and <u>one shepherd</u>."

These "other sheep" are the <u>Gentiles</u> (<u>those who are not Jewish</u>) that have joined this "one fold." God said, "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for <u>ye are all one in Christ Je-</u> <u>sus</u>" (Galatians 3:28).



As for <u>Islam</u>, this religion <u>does not</u> believe that <u>Jesus Christ is the Son of</u> <u>God</u>. They believe that Jesus is the Prophet of <u>Allah</u> and according to Muslims, <u>Allah has no son</u>. And no salvation.

We use the OLD King James Version: Amos 8:11 "Behold, the days come, saith the Lord God, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the Lord."