

Cristofer's Sermon for The Oakwood Heights Community Church 10/16/16

--Thank Pastor Larry and the congregation for the "No Shush" Sundays and for allowing this special sermon.

-We experienced a special blessing about 1 year ago when we met Nick and his mother, and his tutor, Sue. Nick communicates via a letterboard – and he said that Cris could also do this. It would just take perseverance. So, we listened to Nick and Sue started to work with Cris and the miracle unfolded.

- As you can imagine, we have learned so much about Cristofer in the last year in which he has been communicating, than in all of the prior 23 years put together.

-One of the things we have learned is that Cris is very spiritual. He says he feels God's presence. He has expressed very wise thoughts ... Thoughts that no person has ever taught him. I first realized this when he communicated that he lives in the present moment. He said too many people live in the past, God does not want that.

-WOW! I told Cris that it took me over 40 years to learn this.

--Another time, when Sue was teaching him about 9/11 and the earthquake that occurred in Italy recently, he responded, "those souls are with God. I am telling you they are at peace. The You that is a person never dies. Your heart is always alive. "

--There is no doubt in his mind and that is something that makes us step back and truly listen.

I have learned that one of the gifts of autism is that the person's senses are enhanced and channels are open in ways that a typical person's are not. This has actually been written about in a book titled "Autism and the God Connection".

-Cris has expressed that we each have a mission in life and his mission is to help people believe and have faith.

-He said he wants to teach and help inspire people. So, as part of that mission, he is delighted for me to speak his words to you today.

Cris says God created everything and every life. Every life matters and each life is planned. God gives us His gift, and He tells us His plan but He also gives us a choice. We can choose His plan or not. This is our free will.

God has a plan for us all and it is a bigger plan than we could have for ourselves. God guides love so we must have faith. In order to hear God's guidance always listen and feel with your heart. This is such an open channel.

When I asked Cris if it was God's plan for him to have autism, he responded, "I am here about love." So, we have learned, he doesn't always give us a straight answer, but he always makes us think.

Recently there was a father's letter on social media that went viral about his own son having autism and not having friends. When Cris was asked about this he responded: My time here is not about making friends. I am here to teach non-believers. I really just want love and believers in my life

He says that people should trust that God and time are unstoppable. God is the only power over all. There is too much emphasis on earthly possessions and not enough on spirituality.

We saw how Cris practiced this in his own life. When he was asked what he wanted for Christmas last year, since it was the first time that he could now express himself, he answered, "Should I ask for things? I think Christmas is about giving. Please just love everyone."

He says that some people are driven and live for the wrong reason. They lose faith in God and therefore, may not realize their true purpose in life.

Cris feels money has stopped some people from love. Money gets too much attention. It has ruined lives. It's okay to make a living but not to stop the love. .

Talking to God helps. Prayers tell God you believe. People should pray for strength, guidance and love in their hearts. God listens to prayers that only ask for help with your soul.

People live long cause they haven't finished God's work. We stop here when our mission is complete. Angels are our heavenly guides. Each one has an angel and I have my own and you have your own.

People are rewarded for love. People together possess more power than those who stand alone. Love together has strong power and together a lot can be accomplished. Cris loves seeing people join together for a good cause since God loves great work.

A lot of good comes from the love you give and that is God's test. Love is the test we are given and Cris says that he is here to prove this. God sent him here to prove that love is the best reward. Give love and you are doing God's work.

Never give up even through struggles because life is worth living. Everyone has struggles. It is easy to give up. People should want to live since our gift is life. God looks after all loving souls.

Love can always make good things happen. Love leaves heart full with hope.

Cris says, "Lets be calling God especially now because we need guidance. People are going too fast, need more love.(I just love how he uses the word "calling" God")

God is a loving energy.

As you can see, LOVE is a particularly strong theme in Cris' communication.

Another topic that Cristofer emphasizes is The Holy Bible.

He says that today everyone doubts and struggles to believe. More people should try and read the Bible. These are true loving stories.

Cris says please know that God tests your faith with the Bible. Stop doubting. Are people telling you these are not true? It is all true. Everyone has the choice to believe in their own religion but the Bible belongs to God.

Trust and believe what you don't see.

In summary, Cris is teaching us that:

We each have a mission or purpose.

We achieve it through love and

We have God's guidance through the Bible, his angels and God speaking to our open hearts.

Perhaps the best way to remember this is to remember Cristofer's favorite song from the Beatles group and that is ...

“All You Need Is Love”