Is Biblical Christianity Inclusive or Exclusive? (Part One)

Ministry in God's Church — Pillar and Support of the Truth (Part #20)
1 Timothy 2:4-6

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[3] This is good and acceptable before our Savior God,
[4] who wishes all humans[1] to be saved and to come into full knowledge of truth.
[5] For one *is* God; one[2] also *is* mediator of God and humans — *the* human,[3] Christ Jesus,
[6] who gave Himself *as* a substitutionary ransom for all — this[4]testimony *proclaimed* in His own appointed times.
[7] For which *testimony* I myself was appointed a proclaimer and an apostle — truth do I say, I am not lying — a teacher of Gentiles[5] in faith and truth.

(1 Timothy 2:3-7 Pastor Phillips' ad hoc *translation of the Greek text)*

Introduction:

I. What It Is: _____

A. The _____ Position in a Nutshell

B. Two Asides:

1. The importance of "_____"

2. The importance of "_____"

II. What _____ Say

A. The _____ Attempts

1. Only one _____ (but cf. 1 John ___:1)

2. Revelation by many _____ (but cf. Romans ___:17)

3. Revelation by _____ (but cf. Romans ___:21)

4. Many _____ of _____ (but cf. Acts ___:12)

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[1] Or *men*; Gk *anthrōpos,* human being.
[2] Emphasized both times; *one* and only one
[3] Or *men, man*; Gk *anthrōpos,* human being as opposed to animal.
[4] Literally *the*
[5] Or *nations*

5. Second _____ after _____ (but cf. Hebrews ___:27)

6. _____ism (but. cf. Matthew ___:41, 46)

B. The Two _____ Denominators

1. _____ing God

2. _____ing man

C. The _____Truth (Genesis ___:___; Isaiah ___:9-10; Proverbs ___:7)

III. What _____ Says

A. Christ's _____ Is Exclusive (Matthew ___:27; John ___:6)

B. Christ's _____ Is Exclusive (Ephesians ___:25–26)

C. Christ's _____ Is Exclusive (Acts ___:12)

D. Christ's _____ of _____ Is Exclusive (John ___:31; Romans ___:13–14, 17)

E. Two Bottom Lines

1. Do you _____to _____ _____?

2. The true _____: