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Introd:- (1). Topic. Exaggeration? c/f "million cats in our back yard....Well, our cat and one next door". But this ques I bel..topic. Here it is:- asked by multitudes.."What is a Christian?" Ever ask it? Ever ask neighbour..friend? Do it Asked today by many who wd. like become X'ns. Asked by skept who does not believe makes much diff..except shows ignorance. (2). Not easy ques.to ans. What X'n is, has, everlastingly will be is NOT und. by world..nor by many X'ns. When X here on earth..veiled in human flesh..most men did not know His diety..God in their midst.."Is not this Joseph's son?..the carpenter's son?" Only few pierced through the disguise.... So with X'n..I John 3:2. This is our hour of humiliation.. veiling. Glory of X'n life often hidden..Too often..flesh. Tonight seek unveil a bit of the marvel and miracle of what it means to be a Christian..in a five-fold paradox.

I. A Christian is one who believes the unbelievable.

(a). Bible says men become X'ns by believing. Believing what By believing on Jesus X. What that mean? In final, complete state it means to trust Him wholly. But in beginning stage, it means simply to believe what He says concerning Himself. Faith comes by hearing..by the Word. X'n believes God's Word (b). He bel. X virgin born. Now see I Cor. 2:14..Unregen man finds that unbelievable..impossible..and so deny v. birth X'n bel. in X's diety. But unsaved man cries "Incredible.. God Almighty imprisoned in body of helpless babe..on human mother's breast..That tiny hand created..holds ev. star in orbit?Imposs"! Unbelievable to unbelieving men! *Act. 8:37* X'n bel..above all..X, God the Son, died for man's sin on cross..lashed, bleeding, nail-pierced. World cries "Is that God?..Incredible". Yet this is central fact of all Bible.. and faith in that fact supreme foundation of man's salvation. (c). X'n is one who believes these incred. things..But that faith is not human capacity..but divine gift..Ephes. 2:8-9.

II Christian is one who does the Impossible.

(a). X'nty is supernatural..moves in realm of miracle. A Christian 1. Decides his own birth! Two births poss. to ev men. Over first we have no control..but we decide second.. John 3:3. Born of God when we say "Yes" to Jesus X. We decide 2. X'n chooses own father! Not first father, after flesh. May choose father-in-law..but not first fther. But X'n chooses second..John 1:12. Change from devil to God. 3. X'n decides, selects own family! Not human family of race, colour, speech, name. When born into human family Bible called us "children of flesh..of wrath..of world..of disobed" But when born again.."Children of light..kingdo..Highest.."

III. X'n is one who knows the unknowable.

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(a). Man's knowledge deals with things visible..material..that are subject to known physical laws. AND NOTHING ELSE! How much then he does not know! Job expressed much of this.. "If a man die, shall he live again?" And Thomas: "Lord, we know not.. How can we know the way?" (b). Most men admit limitations of human knowledge. One who professes be an atheist is actually boasting. Illus:- Chaplain found such a man. asked "Do you bel. your knowledge of all things so perfect, complete, universa that nothing could exist outside what you know?" c/f Einstein, Edison. Admitted. "May not God be one of those facts..outside" Yes. Then nev. call self atheist..Agnostic..(high-brow for an ignoramus!) BUT X'N KNOWS! Job ans'd "In my fleshh..." Paul cried: "I know in whom...I have a desire to depart..If the earth house of this tab.." John said: "We know that when He shall app IV..Christian is one who attains the unattainable.

(a). What is highest position that could be given to a man? Greatest Being is God. Highest place therefore then is to be ab stand in His presence, accepted. acceptable, as a son. Not in power of any unsaved man. Without holiness shall no man see God..perfect, unspotted. Any man so attained? None..save J.C. All others sinners..shut out. (b). Yet X'ns attains it. Listen again..II Cor. 5:21. We ought be thrilled with wonder

has capability to (capably)  
V. Christian is one who sees the invisible.

(a). If look at sky thru. telescope..see what invis, to naked eye. Bible is God's spir. telescope..revealing past, present, future. X'n is child of two worlds..and in light of world to come..he walks pathway of present. c/f Moses..Heb. 11:27. Abraham Heb. 11:10. Paul..II Cor. 4:18..

(b). Vision of true X'n stretches not only out into future..but UP to God..heaven..eternal home..and JUDGMENT SEAT OF CHRIST. He is like that great army described..Heb. 11:13. Would to God we today find in heart follow in their train!

~~miracle~~ IT TAKES A MIRACLE OF GOD  
Conclus:- 1. Now let me ask inevitable ques. Are you a X'n? Born again? Many of you.. "Yes" ..BUT WHAT ABOUT THIS LAST?

We live in the day of short-sighted X'ns! Yes, see X as Saviour ..heaven ahead..eyes opened to many prophecies..BUT..how many X'ns really looking at eternal values today? Let me read these solemn words again: Rom. 14:10, 12...I Cor. 3:13-15.

II Cor. 5:10. May God stir our hearts afresh tonight! What have I done today..that will stand the fire? For self..what? For X..what? Time, talent, influence, money...what?

SERIOUS BUSINESS. God's business.. Look on the invisible. Illus:- Boy going to college. Mather visited..saw on walls.. of room..pictures..sayings..unclean, unholy. Said nothing.. Sent him pic..asked hang..Hoffman's "Head of Christ". Went back all gone..this alone. "Other's not stay". Turn your eyes.....