

# Retelling an old tale from Baron von Munchhausen

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Dear brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ,

By God's grace, today I become to know with a new friend, named Mathew. He is a nice person, at least that is the impression I got from his emails.

And we share mutual interests in cosmology, consciousness, spirituality etc., although from a different background.

The following is my response to some of his questions regarding my faith. Among other things, I cited an old tale of a drowning man by Baron von Munchhausen [1].

Hopefully you will find this story also useful for you.

God love you very much,

Yours sincerely,

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[1] Baron von Munchhausen. <https://books.openedition.org/obp/600?lang=en>

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Dear Mathew

Good evening,

May i share you a picture..that is from a tale told by Baron Von Munchausen..

The story is about a drowning man with his horse into the river..he is trying to lift up himself out of the river by pulling up his hair.



Münchhausen

O. Herfurth pinx

Illustration. A drowning man, trying to pull himself up

Do you think he will succeed?

That is why: nobody will succeed lifting himself/herself up.

Lesson for us:

The essence of many religions is that they are crafting many ways to come to God and to live in eternity..you may call it nirvana, moksha or other names.

The essence of most religions like in buddhism or hinduism is to suppress the sins, by suppressing the lust or other forms of it.

They think if they can get rid of the problem of sins..then they Will come to God.

But it is impossible to come to God..while we don't know where He resides.

You already told me that you don't know where is heaven or where is hell.

And you are truly correct..how would you come to heaven if you don't know where God is?

The true Christianity is relationship and direct experience with Jesus. Because if you know personally Jesus in your heart and in your life, then you Will know Father in Heaven..

Because Jesus came from heaven..He doesn't only know the way up there..He is the way.

So you don't have to pull up your body...but Jesus Will pull up you from the drowning.

That is why we need Him as our saviour.

And i know Jesus not only by the book or by my parents.. Although it surely helps..

Jesus found me when i was studying in Moscow .and He directed me through my troubles to find a closer way to Him.

He saved me from foreign city .and safely returned home ..

And as I promised, i would serve Him..He also called me to serve Him and to prepare for His second coming. He already came two thousand years ago to become the way to God..and He Will come again to be the Final Judge.

That is the meaning of drowning..all of us shall meet before Him as the Judge .and failing before Him means punishment in eternity..and nobody can wash your sin..not Buddha not Gandhi not other yogis .

Only Jesus died for your sins. He already replaced your place for the punishment that you and me Will receive.

So, that is why He is the only true way to come to God.

I don't have many gifts like speaking in tongue etc..

But He gave me a special gift..that is to hear God's voice.

That is the book i sent you..to invite you to receive divine experience with God and to listen to His voice.

Again..that is the essence of true sprituality..to get experience with The Divine .

Only in Jesus Christ you Will get true experience with God.

That is my small answer to your questions.

Good night.

God love you so much,

Victor