A former Siberian traffic cop has gained a cult following of around 5000 people, after claiming he is none other than Jesus Christ. As the son of a Siberian construction worker, Sergei Torop had a typical upbringing. He joined the Soviet army at the age of 18 and spent two years in an army construction unit. After leaving the army he joined the police department, working night shifts on traffic duty. But all that changed in 1990 when at age 29, he said he felt something wake up inside of him, and suddenly he recognised his 'divine nature'. Now Sergei lives in a mountain-top home, where he plans on building a utopia in the Siberian wilderness, with the help of his faithful followers. He claims that he is the second incarnation of Jesus Christ, and proclaims a message of peace and harmony for all mankind. His followers call him 'Vissarion', or the 'one who gives life'...

Quote: *"In about 1990, when he was 29, he recounted, "something woke up inside of me" and he realized his divine nature. He said he then understood that God had sent him to Earth because hatred and war and environmental degradation had become rampant. "To do what I'm called to do, I need to have a human body," he said. "I live in a body in order to bring man closer to God." "This is the first time I have been needed in 2,000 years. This is a critical point. Only when mankind becomes one family on Earth will the doors to the universe become open to them."*

But Sergei is an impostor. There are no nail prints in his hands. There is no spear wound in his side (John 20:27). When the disciples asked the Lord Jesus Christ how they would recognize the time of the end, the Lord replied saying, "Take heed that no man deceive you. For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many ", Matthew 24:3-5. And so when we hear of so many people now claiming to be the Messiah, we know that the time Jesus Christ was speaking of is now at hand. But it's not only the lack of nail prints which reveal Sergei to be an impostor. It's also his message, proclaiming peace and unity for mankind, and offering them power if only they will unite as "one family". Jesus Christ never proclaimed such a message. In fact, the origin of this message is none other than that old serpent, the devil, and was first propagated in the garden of Eden (Genesis 3:5). The same message was later proclaimed by those who sought to build the tower of Babel (Genesis 11:4). And in sending all these 'little messiahs' to proclaim his message, Satan is preparing the world for the eventual coming of the Antichrist and his False Prophet, who will unite the world in a last desperate bid to prevent Christ's return and the setting up of God's Kingdom on earth. But as Daniel said so many years ago concerning King Nebuchadnezzar's dream of the coming Kingdom, the dream is certain and the interpretation sure (Daniel 2:45). Jesus Christ is coming back to set up His Kingdom, and He will reign from " sea to sea, and from the river unto the ends of the earth ", Psalm 72:8. If Jesus Christ came back today, would you be ready? Are your sins

forgiven through faith in His atoning death on the cross of Calvary? The nail prints are the proof of His love for you. Trust in Him for salvation today.

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