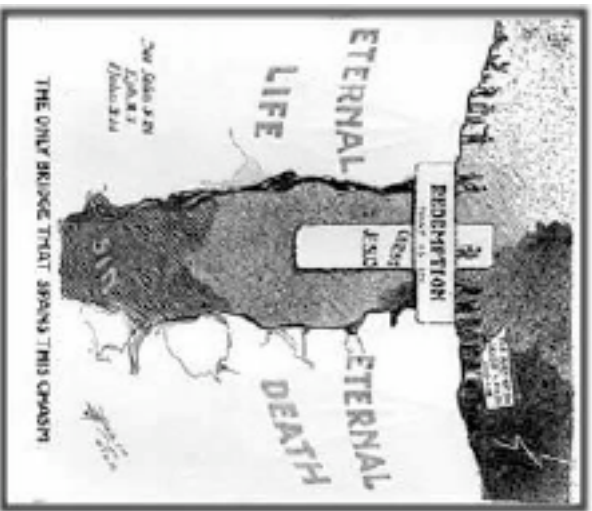


# HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT OF....



## ....WHAT HAPPENS AFTER DEATH?

What if somebody you care about would ask you: How can I get to heaven? How would you respond to that? Don't you agree that this is something that we must all consider at one time or another? Before considering this, let's take a look at our present condition according to God! There is nobody that can sincerely say that he or she has never sinned for the Bible says in Romans 3:23 "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God". Can you really say that you have never committed a sin? Have you ever heard of the 10 Commandments? For example:

1. Have you ever told a lie?
2. Have you ever stolen anything regardless of it's worth?
3. Have you ever been disrespectful to your mother or father?
4. Have you ever looked upon a woman or man with lust? In Matthew 5:28 Jesus said "That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart".
5. Have you loved God with all your soul, heart, and mind? This means that you have put God first over anything and everything, over your children, wife/husband, career, money, personal possessions...

If you would be sincere with yourself but most importantly with God, you would say that you are guilty of breaking all of the above Commandments. And we just saw five of the Ten Commandments! The Bible says in Romans 6:23 that "For the wages of sin is death" and in Ezekiel 18:4 says that "the soul that sinneth, it shall die". God's Word says that there will be a day in which death will overtake us and that we will be judged according to God's Law or the 10 Commandments (Hebrews 9:27). Revelation 20:15 says that "And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire" and Revelation 21:8 also says that "But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all hars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death".

One thing that you may say would be that God is a loving God and He will overlook all of my sins! But I say to you that because God is a JUST God He cannot let sin go unpunished. If you would be a judge would you give freedom to a man who has raped and killed an elderly person? Of course not! As a judge your community would expect for you to be a good judge and punish that criminal to the fullest extent. Would a good judge overlook an awful crime as I mentioned above if the criminal would say to him "judge, I have done a lot of good deeds and have only slipped on this one occasion"? Of course not! The word of God says that if we have broken one part of His Law, we are guilty of breaking all of them! We shall be judged even for the most insignificant word that comes out of our mouths (Matthew 12:36 says: "That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment"). God is Holy and there is no sin in Him and for this same reason sin cannot be in His presence.

You can also say that you have been a pretty good person throughout your life and that your good deeds exceed your bad deeds. Look at what God has to say about your deeds: "all our righteousness are as filthy rags" (Isaiah 64:6). The scriptures also say that God is angry with us every day because of our sins! Can you imagine this?

Be not discouraged my friend for there is GOOD NEWS for you and for the whole world! Although we deserve death because of our sins, God has provided A WAY for all of our sins to be erased from His memory and to have eternal life and this through His Son Jesus Christ. John 3:16 says that:

"For God so loved the world (you), that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish (in hell), but have everlasting life (in heaven)".

Imagine that you have committed a terrible crime that is punishable by death or by a fine of a million dollars; and that before the judge passes his sentence on you, he steps down from his seat and pays your fine completely. Wouldn't you be in eternal gratitude to this judge for his act of mercy? This is exactly what God has done for you! God came to this world in the form of a man in Christ Jesus, was crucified for your sins, buried, and rose again on the third day according to the Scriptures. Romans 5:8 says that "But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us" and John 3:36 says that: "He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him". Even though we are sinners (and we will always be sinners), through Christ's sacrifice, we have forgiveness of sins for Ephesians 1:7 says: "In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace". God is absolutely clear in that this redemption cannot be acquired by our own merits - it is THE GIFT OF GOD. Look what the scriptures say in Ephesians 2:8-9: "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast".

We have eternal life only through Jesus Christ! Only through Him we have access to God the Father for in John 14:6 Jesus said:

"I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by Me". How can you be sure if you will have eternal life in heaven after life on earth? Simple answer! We are saved through grace (the gift of God) alone, in faith alone, in Christ Alone! Look what God says about His Son: "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved" Acts 4:12.

Many proclaim that you must be part of a certain Church or Organization to be saved, but the Word of God is crystal clear in that salvation is only through faith in Jesus Christ, Son of God! You might ask: what can I do to be saved? Well here it is:

1. First of all you must recognize that you are an awful sinner and that God's wrath is upon you because of your sins.

2. You must repent from all your sins (Note: to repent means to turn away from sin and abhor all those actions and thoughts that are detestable to God – remember the 10 Commandments? Luke 13:3 says: "except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish".

3. Call upon the name of the Lord (Jesus) and surrender your whole soul, heart, and mind to Him. God's Word says "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation" Romans 10:9-10.

Pray the following prayer:

Heavenly Father, please forgive my sins for they sure have been many. Lord Jesus please reign in my life, do in me your will Father, and mold me into the man that you want me to be. I accept your precious gift of eternal life Lord, not because I have done anything to deserve it, but because it is only through your Mercy and your Love towards us. I put all my faith in Christ Jesus as my only Savior and I thank you Father for your most precious gift to me and to the whole world. I pray this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

If you prayed this small prayer with all of your heart, I am glad to inform you that you have eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ, and there is nothing or nobody that can snatch you away from His hands for Jesus himself said in John 10:28: "And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand" and He also said in John 6:37: "All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out".

**IN THE NAME OF THE LORD  
JESUS CHRIST PLEASE DO NOT  
WAIT ANY LONGER! CAN YOU  
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6:2).**

may God bless you.