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Quiz!

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1. NO. It is impossible to get to heaven this way. The Bible says: **"There is not a just man on earth who does good and does not sin."** (Ecc.7:20). But the Bible says about Jesus Christ: **"For He made Him (Jesus) who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him."** (2 Cor. 5:21). Jesus died for your sins, that you might have forgiveness and a right relationship with God.

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3 & 4. NO. Sorry, doing your best and being a "good person" won't save you! The Bible says: **"There is no one who does good, no not one."** (Psalm 14:3) **"All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."** (Romans 3:23). WARNING: If you are hoping that the "good" you do will outweigh your "bad," you are on the path to hell because God does not grade on a curve! You must be 100% holy to enter heaven. If you place your faith in Jesus Christ, and believe that His death on the cross paid for all your sins, and that He arose from the dead, the Bible says you have eternal life. Jesus says, **"I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live."** (John 11:25) Trust Jesus alone for your salvation, He will make you holy!

5. NO. Water baptism will NEVER help anyone enter into heaven. A "believer's baptism" is done AFTER a person is saved through their faith in Jesus Christ (I Cor 1:17, Acts 8:36-38, 18:8). It is a public testimony of one's faith in Christ--to identify with His death, burial and resurrection. The Bible says: **"For by grace (unmerited favor) you are saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: It is the gift of God, not of works lest anyone should boast."** (Ephesians 2:8-9).

6. NO. Holy communion cannot help you one bit! Only the precious blood of Jesus Christ shed on the cross can save sinners from eternal damnation. The saved souls in heaven cry out, **"For you were slain, and have redeemed us to God by Your blood."** (Rev 1:5). The blood of Jesus Christ can redeem you today—from all your sins! Taking communion is what Jesus commanded his followers to do in remembrance of Him. The wine symbolizes His blood shed for all sinners who come to Him in faith. Won't you trust the Savior right now so that His blood can wash away your sins? Oh, if you ask Him, He will remove your sins from you, "as far as the east is from west."

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