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Just like the lady in the story had to give account to the motel keeper, so every person who has ever lived must give account to God one day for the way they have lived.

“So then everyone of us shall give account of himself to God.”

Romans 14:12

If you go into a shop and break something, someone has to pay for it. It's the same with God.

We are living in God's world that He created, and if we break His commandments, someone has to pay for it. Our sin must be paid for. And the only way we can pay for our sins is by going to Hell for eternity. But thankfully, God didn't leave it like that. Even though we have rebelled against Him, and lived just how we like, He somehow still loved us. **“But God commendeth his love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.”** He sent his Son, Jesus, down to earth, to die on the cross for wicked sinners like us, to pay the price of our sin and also to give us the power to live right.

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