

How to Go to Heaven

According to the Word of God

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It is very simple to be saved and takes only a minute to explain. Please let me show you how to get to Heaven from the Bible, God's Word...

1. Man is a sinner.

- Isaiah 53:6, "All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all."
- John 3:3, "Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God."
- Romans 3:10, "As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one."
- Romans 3:23, "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God."

2. There is a price on our sin—eternal death in Hell.

- Romans 6:23, "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."
- Romans 5:12, "Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned."
- 2nd Thessalonians 1:8, "In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ."
- Revelation 20:15, "And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire."
- Revelation 21:8, "But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death."

3. Jesus paid that price by dying on the cross and shedding His blood.

- Romans 5:8, "But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."



- John 3:16, "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."
- 1st Timothy 1:15, "This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief."
- 1st Peter 1:18-19, "Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; But with the precious blood of Christ..."

4. By faith in Jesus Christ ALONE we can be saved.

Salvation is NOT found in a religion or good works, but in a Person... The LORD JESUS CHRIST!

- John 11:25, "Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live."
- John 14:6, "Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."
- John 6:40, "And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day."
- Mark 1:15, "And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel."
- Acts 26:18, "To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in me."
- Romans 10:13, "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."
- 1st Corinthians 3:11, "For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ."
- Galatians 3:26, "For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus."

HERE IS HOW YOU CALL UPON THE LORD

Do you admit that you are a GUILTY sinner, under the condemnation of God's LAW, deserving of Hellfire?

Do you believe that Jesus is the *Son of God* (God in the flesh) who died upon the cross, sacrificing His precious blood to pay for your sins?

If you'd like to be saved, simply come in your heart as a guilty sinner and BELIEVE upon the Lord Jesus Christ.

Perhaps you'd feel comfortable praying a sinner's prayer as did the publican in Luke 18:13... *"And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto Heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner."*

Dear Jesus,

I admit that I am a sinner, deserving of Hell. Please forgive me of my sins and take me to Heaven when I die. I now believe upon You alone, apart from all self-righteous works and religion, as my personal Savior. Thank you. Amen.

Just as you were born physically to your parents, so you were born spiritually into the Family of God when you received Jesus! Please understand that we are not saved because we pray a prayer; but because we believe upon the Lord Jesus Christ. It is certainly appropriate to ask the Lord in prayer to forgive and save us; but it is our faith which prompts us to pray. You could just as easily believe in your heart upon the Lord to be saved, and not pray at all. Salvation is of the heart, as we read in Romans 10:10, *"For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness..."*

It's not what you're doing that gets you to Heaven, it's where you're looking. [Look to Jesus!](#)

You do NOT have to be [water baptized](#) nor doing anything to get to Heaven other than trust upon the Lord as your Savior. Romans 4:5 proclaims... *"But to him that worketh not, but believeth on Him (Jesus) that justifieth the ungodly, his faith is counted for righteousness."* What a wonderful truth! Our faith is COUNTED for righteousness! There is NO self-righteousness involved in salvation. It is the gift of God. You see, we have no righteousness of our own to offer God. No amount of good can undo the bad we've done. Thus, Jesus paid a debt that He did not owe, because we owed a debt that we could not pay. Salvation is receiving, not giving. We are Sinners and Jesus is the Savior. Jesus is precious!

Unbelief is the only sin which can keep you out of Heaven.

Just take God at His word and claim His salvation by faith. Believe, and you will be saved. No church, no lodge, no good works can save you. Remember, God does the saving. All of it!

God's simple plan of salvation is: You are a sinner. Therefore, unless you believe on Jesus Who died in your place, you will spend eternity in Hell. If you believe on Him as your crucified, buried, and risen Savior, you receive forgiveness for all of your sins and His gift of eternal salvation by faith.

You say, "Surely, it cannot be that simple!" Yes, that simple. It is scriptural; it is God's plan. My friend, believe on Jesus and receive Him as Savior today.

If you've never been saved, then now is the time to believe upon the name of Jesus, the Christ, that your sins will be blotted out forever and you can know that your

name is written in Heaven.

Christ died for your sins. You are a sinner by nature and by choice. Jesus took your sins and charged them to His own record. He went to the cross and paid the penalty for your sins. He says if you're willing to receive Him in faith; He will transfer His payment to your debt, and His righteousness to your sins. He will impute to you His goodness, and impute to His own record your sin; if you in faith will trust Him as your Savior.

If you would like to search for a good church where you live, [CLICK HERE](#).

Kindest regards,

David J. Stewart

You Need HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS!

If you'd like to learn all about salvation, then please read the book [Salvation is More than Being Saved](#).

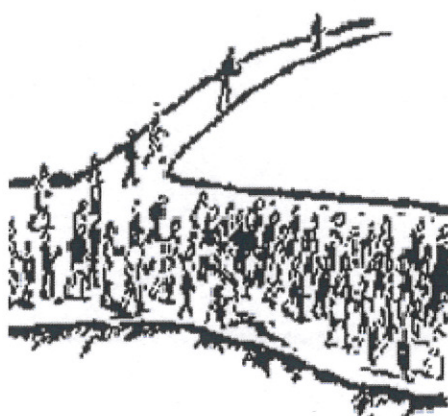
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Helpful articles from the book I've written,
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- [Salvation is Received, not Achieved](#)
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How To Have Eternal Life

The "**Life**" that is spoken of in the Scripture is not only life after death, but also **ABUNDANCE OF LIFE** for here and now. **Jesus** said,

"I am come that they might have life and that they might have it more abundantly" (John 10:10)

There is much confusion, however, about how this life is to be found. Many people think that the way of eternal life is found in "**good works**," by living a good life, or in some religious ceremony. The **Bible** makes clear that this is **NOT** the way, and the **Bible** makes the way of eternal life simple and clear so that anyone can understand. Please take a few moments to look at the **WAY OF ETERNAL LIFE** as presented in the Bible.

You don't have to know all about the **Bible** or all about **GOD** in order to become a **Christian**. None of us knows all that, but there are two or three things that are essential to know.

FIRST, YOU MUST KNOW THAT ALL HAVE SINNED

The first thing necessary to have eternal life is to admit that you have sinned. Agree with what **GOD's** Word says:

"As it is written, there is none righteous, no, not one."

"For all have sinned and come short of the glory of GOD."

There is not a person who can say: I am just as righteous as **Jesus Christ**. The truth is that all of us **FALL SHORT** of **GOD's** standard of righteousness which is **Jesus Christ**. The word "**sin**" means to fall short. It can be pictured this way:

A man may be shooting at a target, but all his arrows fall short. Some come closer than others, but all fall short. It is the same way in our living. We all fall short of **GOD's** standard of righteousness. Some may come closer than others, but all fall short.

This is very simple, but where a lot of people have difficulty. Some say: "**I'm about as good as the next person or I'm better than some of those people who go to church.**" That may be true, but I don't have to give an account for the other person. I have to give an account for myself, and the **Bible** says that I have sinned.

THIS IS THE REASON THAT ALL MEN MUST BE SAVED. We all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of **GOD**.

SECOND, YOU MUST KNOW THAT CHRIST DIED FOR SINNERS

Romans 3:23 tells us why we must be saved - "**For all have sinned and come short of the glory of GOD.**"

Romans 5:8 tells us why we can be saved - "**But GOD commanded His love toward us in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.**"

There are two reasons given here why we can be saved.

1. **GOD** loves us
2. **Christ** died for us

GOD loves us even in our sins. We didn't deserve His love, we didn't deserve anything, but He loved us so much that He gave us His only son, **Jesus**. **Jesus** came into this world and lived here as a man. He taught us how to live and showed us how to live. But the most important thing He did for us was to die on the cross for our sins. He took the penalty of our sins upon Himself in order that we might be forgiven.

The **Bible** explains that anyone can be saved because **GOD** loves us and **Christ** died for us.

THIRD, YOU MUST KNOW THAT SALVATION COMES TO US AS A FREE GIFT

Romans 6:23 tells us first about the punishment for our sin -- "**The wages of sin is death.**" Because we sin we must die. But the death that is spoken of here is not just a physical death of the body. This means "**Eternal Death.**"

It is spiritual death, or what the Bible calls **"The Second Death."** The Bible teaches that when a man dies in his sins without having Christ in his life he goes to hell, a place of punishment and torment forever and ever. That's how serious our sins are. We can't just laugh them off and say, "So what?" Our sins made **Jesus** die on the cross and unless we are saved our sins will take us to hell. But the **"good news"** is found in the last part of the verse. **"The gift of GOD is Eternal life."**

Many times in scripture salvation is spoken of as **GOD's** gift to us. A gift is not something you work for or something you earn. A gift is something that somebody **"gives"** to you because they love you. There is absolutely no way we can buy or earn eternal life. You couldn't get enough money to buy a ticket to heaven, or do enough good things for GOD to say: Now you have earned your way to heaven. **Jesus** paid the price of eternal life by His death on the cross. It comes to us as a free gift. There is **ONE WAY** to receive it. This is explained to us in the last phrase of the verse:

"Through Jesus Christ our Lord"

When we receive **Jesus** we receive eternal life.

Many people want to know: **"Just how do I do that?"** The **Bible** also makes this clear to us.

FOURTH, YOU MUST RECEIVE CHRIST AS SAVIOR

In Revelation 3:20 **Jesus** is speaking. He is pictured as standing at the door and knocking. What door is He talking about? **THE DOOR OF YOUR HEART OR YOUR LIFE.**

There are many ways that He knocks. He knocks through the **Bible**, through the preacher's sermons, through the prayers of Christian friends, or just through different things that happen to us to make us realize that we need Him.

You can see the picture every day. You go up to somebody's house and knock on the door. They come and open the door and say, "Hi, Bill (Hi Suzie), come on in." You go in because you are invited, but you would not think of breaking down the door or even go uninvited.

Neither does **Jesus**. He creates us with a **WILL**, the power to choose. So He does not force you to become a Christian. He simply asks for admission to your heart, and He promises, **"If any man will hear my voice and open the door, I will come into Him and live with him and he with me."**

Becoming a **Christian** is a matter of opening you heart and inviting **Christ** to come into your life.

You say--

I know I am a sinner and need to be saved I know that Christ died for me that I might be saved (He also arose from the dead and is living today)

THEN....

PRAY A PRAYER SOMETHING LIKE THIS

"GOD, I know that I am a sinner. But I'm sorry for my sins. Please forgive me. I know that Christ died for my sins and rose again from the dead. Jesus, please come into my heart forgive me and save me. I turn the control of my life over to you. I want to follow you and serve you all of my life. Thank you for saving me. A-men."

Did you pray this prayer in your heart? Did you mean what you said? [Would you let us know?](#) If so, the **Bible** says you are saved.

"For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." Romans 10:13

WHAT TO DO NEXT

1. Find a **Bible** believing church and go forward at the invitation time, confessing your faith in **Jesus Christ**.

"For the scripture saith, whosoever believeth on Him shall not be ashamed." Romans 10:11

2. **Be Baptized.**

"Then they that gladly receive His Word were baptized." Acts 2:41

3. Pray every day.

"Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need." Hebrews 4:16

4. Read your Bible every day.

"Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee." Psalm 119:11

5. Claim GOD's promise in the time of temptation.

"There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but GOD is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it." I Corinthians 10:13

"Submit yourselves therefore to GOD. Resist the Devil, and he will flee from you." James 4:7

6. Tell someone else about Jesus.

"That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us: and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with His Son Jesus Christ." I John 1:3

WE NEED TO BE BORN AGAIN IN CHRIST

By Nance Gilmore

We have been born the first time in the flesh. Physically we know that we are here. We know that we have physical consciousness of the things around us, and of ourselves being body persons. We have desires and emotions that we express in likes and dislikes. We have a consciousness about ourselves and others, and the ability to learn by opposites. We know hot because we know cold. We know sweet because we know bitter. We know soft because we know hard and so on.

We may even be believers in God, and relate to Him as someone we include in our life as a vital part of us. We may even relate that we live and move and have our being in Him. Which is true! However that does not mean that we are "Born Again in Christ".

To be born again in Christ is as radical for us as it was for us to be born the first time in the flesh. When we were born the first time in the flesh, we had to come to know ourselves, and have an identity for ourselves as to who we are as a physical person. Even if that identity was a false identity of ourselves we had to have a point of contact. We usually started with our identity as a name. I am "so and so". I am in the family of "mom, and dad". I have one brother and two sisters. I live in the town of "so and so" and I am going to marry "you know who". You get the picture. We have to have an identity.

Well to be "Born Again in Christ" is to have a *new* identity! You can be a believer and not be born again.

You **cannot** have a new identity without being born again. Oh, you can go to Church. You can be very religious. You can have an identity with a number of social groups. You can be involved in activities, which benefit others. You can be looked up to as someone of great importance. You can be a preacher, or you can be a seminary student, but unless *you are born again in Christ*

Jesus, and He birthed in you, you will not have a new identity with who you are, or even know to take one.

The point is *we* can be a new creation! We can have old things pass away, and... "Behold *all* things become new"! Just like we were birthed the first time in the flesh and came to know ourselves, (as who we think we are), we can be born again in The Spirit of God and come *know Christ in us*! With Him *in* us we have a new identity. We have found our *unity* with the One we have been looking for. The one who can fulfill us! Our true mate! When we are only born in the flesh we are half-baked people. We are not completed. We are empty, and yet full of hurt, wrath, bitterness, disappointment, self-centeredness, self-criticism and misery, just to name a few. Oh, we may live in denial from time to time, and pretend everything is ok, but eventually we are sucked back into the reality of the hell that is within us. When we are born again in Christ we are freed from all that old nature which has permeated us like a virus to destroy us, which has separated us from the love of God, and the fulfillment we desire to have within us.

We long to know a *total* reality. When we are born again of God Spirit and Christ indwells us, we enter into New Life, and New Life enters into us. We can *know* the *Life of Christ* in us! We can *know* the same Holy Spirit that lived in Jesus Christ when He was here on earth 2000 years ago. We can *know* the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit. We can *know* the Resurrected Life of Christ, right now, by Him coming to live in us. The Lord says, "Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if anyone *hear* my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.

All we have to do is ask Him to come in, and he will come!

He already knows our hearts, but a living relationship and inner action only begins when we *hear* his knock, and invite Him in. We cannot know anything apart from ourselves, and that includes Christ. We have to know Him in us. Head knowledge isn't the answer.

Christ in us, living as us is the *only* way we will ever know Him.

These simple words here may express your desires and feeling toward the Lord, and perhaps you would like to address them to Him now and seal His invitation to you to come in and sup with you.

Lord Jesus, I do hear you speaking to me through these words that I have just read. And I would like for you to come into me, and be in me so I might *know* you, and sup with you, and you with me as you have promised. I long to know You as my all. Belong to you, and *you* to me. Make me your dwelling place, and let me *know you* as my dwelling place also. Shed your love abroad in me that I may taste of you and eat, and feast with you and you with me. Seal me now Lord with your Holy Spirit, that from this moment on I might know I am born again of Your Spirit, and am a new creation

Now if you have expressed your faith toward God today, and know that He is a Person who cannot lie to you; and you have invited Him to come into you and make His home in you, as He promised He would, be sure to thank Him now as your seal of acceptance of Him doing what He said He would do

Now you may visit your old hellish holes on occasions, but you will *not* live there any longer, because you have found a whole new way of life! Jesus said, "I Am The Way, I Am The Truth, and I Am The Life".....

When we are born again with Christ we have a complete new identity of ourselves. We are joined to Him now. As the scriptures say...he that is joined to the Lord is *one spirit* with Him, so let us take Him as our new identity now, and forever more.