

Have you heard the GOOD NEWS?

When asked the question, "Where will you spend an eternity," most people say they "hope" or "think" they will spend it in heaven. They are not positive about where they will go. I John 5:12-13 says, *He who has the Son has life; and he who does not have the Son of God does not have life. I write these to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life.*

It is a common misconception that by being baptized or doing good works, you will be guaranteed a place in heaven. Jesus said in John 3:3, *verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the Kingdom of God.* It is not what we have done, but what God has done for us that will secure our salvation. Ephesians 2:8 says, *For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God. Eternal life, or salvation, is a free gift from God—you can't earn it.*

It takes more than just believing there is a God to secure salvation. The bible says that even the demons in hell believe there is a God, and yet, they will not be saved. The answer is in Romans 10:9-10; *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 shall be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.* Salvation comes through believing that Jesus is the Son of God and confessing Him as Lord. If you believe Jesus is the Son of God and that He died for your sins and rose again, you can know for sure that you will go to heaven. If you pray the prayer below, and mean it with your heart, you will be saved and know that you have eternal life.

Pray this prayer...

"God in Heaven, I know I am a sinner and that I need your help. I believe in my heart that Jesus Christ is Your Son, that He died on the cross for my sins and God raised Him from the dead. Jesus, right now I open my heart and invite you to come in. Make Yourself real to me. Take control of my life. Keep me from evil and make me the person You want me to be. Be my Lord and Savior."

REMEMBER:

- * Read God's word every day. Start by reading the Gospel of John over and over. The Bible will have new meaning to you.
- * Pray and take time every day to kneel down and praise Him. Talk to God just as you would any other person.
- * Seek fellowship with other born-again Christians.
- Attend church regularly. Hebrews 10:25 says,
 Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves
 together.