

WHY JESUS?

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

Romans 3:10

"...for all have sinned, and fall short of the glory of God."

Romans 3:23

8But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. 9Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from the wrath of God through Him. ." **Romans 5:8-9**

12Therefore, just as through one man sin entered into the world, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men, because all sinned. **Romans 5:12**

19And this is the condemnation, that Light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than Light, because their deeds were evil. **John 3:19**

23For the wages of sin is death; but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Romans 6:23**

"...nevertheless knowing that a man is **not** justified by the works of the Law but through faith in Christ Jesus, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, so that we may be justified by faith in Christ and **not** by the works of the Law; since by the works of the Law no flesh will be justified. **Galatians 2:16**

20because by the works of the Law no flesh will be justified in His sight; for through the Law comes the knowledge of sin. **Romans 3:20**

5But to the one who does not work, but believes in Him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is credited as righteousness, **Romans 4:5**

27"Do not work for the food which perishes, but for the food which endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you, for on Him the Father, God, has set His seal."

28Therefore they said to Him, "What shall we do, so that we may work the works of God?" 29Jesus answered and said to them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in Him whom He has sent."

John 6:27-29

8For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the **gift** of God; 9not as a result of works, so that no one may boast. **Ephesians 2:8-9**

"Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." **John 14:6**



24Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on Him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life. **John 5:24**

23For the wages of sin is death; but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Romans 6:23**

“16”For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believeth in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.” **John 3:16**

18He that believeth on Him is not condemned; but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. **John 3:18**

For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; ⁹not as a result of works, so that no one may boast. **Ephesians 2:8-9**

36He 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. **John 3:36**

“What must I do to be saved?”

Paul responded, “Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and you will be saved” (**Acts 16:30-31**).

"Truly, truly, I say to you, he who believes has eternal life. **John 6:47**

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5But to the one who does not work, but believes in Him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is credited as righteousness, **Romans 4:5**9That 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. **Romans 10:9**

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

3Jesus answered and said to him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.” **John 3:3**

6“That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. **John 3:6**

25Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in Me will live even if he dies,26and everyone who lives and believes in Me will never die. **John 11:25-26**

5Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life; he who comes to Me will not hunger, and he who believes in Me will never thirst. 37”All that the Father gives Me will come to Me, and the one who comes to Me I will certainly not cast out. **John 6:35,37**



As lost and doomed sinners, we must take God at His word and believe that Jesus Christ is our only hope for Salvation. We must trust that His payment for our sins is sufficient.

We must STOP trying to "do good" thinking that we might go to Heaven. Our good works cannot save us, as the previous verses reveal.

Only the good work of the Lord Jesus can save us. We are hopeless without Him.

31but these have been written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing you may have life in His name. **John 20:31**

Friend, if you've never really been born again, please:

- Repent of your sins.
- Place your total trust in Jesus Christ to save you.
- Tell Him that you're sorry for your sins and that you accept Jesus as my personal Savior.
- Tell Him that you want to have a new life in Christ (II Cor. 5:17) Repent of your sins right now and ask the Lord to save you. He said that He would save you, if you will call upon Him (Rom. 10:13).

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Decision Time?

Are you ready to accept Jesus Christ as your personal Savior? You could say the following words to God. Remember, saying this prayer or any other prayer will not save you.

Only believing in Jesus Christ, and His finished work on the cross for you, can save you from the penalty of your sins. Remember we can not earn Salvation.

This prayer is simply a way to express to God your faith in Him and thank Him for providing His Son Jesus for your salvation.

"Heavenly Father, I know that I have sinned against You and deserve punishment. But I believe that Jesus Christ took the punishment I deserve so that through my faith in Him I could be forgiven. I receive Your offer of forgiveness and place my trust in You for salvation. I accept Jesus as my personal Savior! Thank You for Your wonderful grace and forgiveness— the gift of eternal life! Amen!"



God's Promise of Eternal Security

•**Question: "Is eternal security Biblical?"**

•**Answer:** When people come to know Christ as their Savior, they are brought into a relationship with God that guarantees their eternal security.

• **Jude 24** declares, "To Him who is able to keep you from falling and to present you before His glorious presence without fault and with great joy." God's power is able to keep the believer from falling. It is up to Him, not us, to present us before His glorious presence. Our eternal security is a result of God keeping us, not us maintaining our own salvation.

• The Lord Jesus Christ proclaimed, "I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand" (**John 10:28-29b**). Both Jesus and the Father have us firmly grasped in their hand. Who could possibly separate us from the grip of both the Father and the Son?

• **Ephesians 4:30** tells us that believers are "sealed for the day of redemption." If believers did not have eternal security, the sealing could not truly be unto the day of redemption, but only to the day of sinning, apostasy, or disbelief.

• **John 3:15-16** tells us that whoever believes in Jesus Christ will "have eternal life." If a person were to be promised eternal life, but then have it taken away, it was never "eternal" to begin with. If eternal security is not true, the promises of eternal life in the Bible would be in error.

• The most powerful argument for eternal security is **Romans 8:38-39**, "For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, or anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord." Our eternal security is based on God's love for those whom He has redeemed. Our eternal security is purchased by Christ, promised by the Father, and sealed by the Holy Spirit

What Next?

1) Tell Someone

It is important to tell someone in order to underline the decision you have made. Often it is only when you tell someone else that it becomes a reality to you. It is probably best to start by telling someone you think will be pleased to hear the news! (www.alpha.org)

2) Read the Bible

Once we have received Jesus and put our trust in Him, we become children of God (John 1:12). He is our heavenly Father. Like any father, He wants us to have a close relationship as we listen to Him (primarily through the Bible) and as we speak to Him in prayer.

The Bible is the Word of God, and you might find it helpful to begin by reading a few verses of John's Gospel (the fourth book of the New Testament) every day. Ask God to speak to you as you read. (www.alpha.org)

3) Start to speak to God each day (i.e. pray)

Start to speak to God each day in prayer. The following guidelines may be helpful:

A – Adoration

Praising God for who He is and what He has done.

C - Confession

Asking God's forgiveness for anything that we have done wrong.

T – Thanksgiving

Thanking God for health, family, friends, and so on.

S – Supplication

Praying for ourselves, for our friends, and for others.

(www.alpha.org)

4) Join a Lively Church

Church is essentially a gathering of Christians who get together to worship God, to hear what God is saying to them, to encourage one another, and to make friends. It should be a very exciting place to be! (www.alpha.org)