

How Bad Do You Want To Go To Heaven?

There is an old saying Hell is full of good intentions. Everyone intends on one day going to heaven and a lot of people have missed it waiting for the right opportunity, waiting to get all the fun out of their system, to expend every earthly desire they have and then they will accept Christ as their Savior. I have some shocking news for you, **“it don’t work that way!”**

1. You don’t just come to God when you want to
2. When you have everything going your way.

The scripture says this: John 6:44-45

44 No man can come to me, ***except the Father which hath sent me draw him:*** and I will raise him up at the last day.

45 It is written in the prophets and they shall be all taught of God. Every man therefore that hath heard and hath learned of the Father cometh unto me.

So you see it’s not about you accepting Christ as some teach, it’s about him accepting you and when he does you need to run to him as quickly as you can.

Listen to this scripture: Luke 14:21-23

Here we find a good man who has went to all the expense to make a great supper and he sent his servant to tell them that his master had prepared a great supper and when he came to them they began to make excuse.

That is what I am doing telling you Jesus has went to the expense of dyeing for your sins!

There were three excuses and none of them was acceptable:

Luke 14:18-20

The first said unto him "I have bought a piece of ground and I must needs go and see it: I pray thee have me excused."

The second said "I have bought five yoke of oxen and I go to prove them: I pray thee have me excused."

And the third said "**I have married a wife and therefore I cannot come.**"

What will be your excuse today for not coming?

Here is what happened: Verse 21 So that servant came and showed his lord these things. Then the master of the house ***being angry*** said to his servant "Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city and bring in hither the poor and the maimed and the halt and the blind."

22 And the servant said, Lord, it is done as thou hast commanded and yet there is room. **There is always room for more**

23 And the lord said unto the servant, "Go out into the highways and hedges and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled."

Here's one for those that was once a part of the Kingdom and left and went back into sin because you wanted to find out just how good the world is:

Luke 15:11-24

11 And he said a certain man had two sons: And the younger of them said to his father, Father, give me the portion of goods that falls to me.

12. And he divided unto them his living.

13 And not many days after the younger son gathered all together and took his journey into a far country and there wasted his substance with riotous living.

14 And when he had spent all, there arose a mighty famine in that land and he began to be in want.

When you get away from the Fathers house everything dries up.

15 And he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country and he sent him into his fields to feed swine. *When you get hungry you will do anything.*

16 And he would fain have filled his belly with the husks that the swine did eat: and no man gave unto him. ***What happened to all his friends?***

17 And when he came to himself, he said, "How many hired servants of my fathers have bread enough and to spare and I perish with hunger!"

18 I will arise and go to my father and will say unto him, "Father I have sinned against heaven and before thee, This is Repentance!

19 And am no more worthy to be called thy son:

Make me as one of thy hired servants. This is willingness to be humbled.

He was saying "I am ready to start over at the bottom if I need to!"

He didn't come back like his father owed him something he was repentive.

20 And he arose and came to his father. But when he was yet a great way off, his father ***saw him*** and ***had compassion and ran*** and ***fell on his neck*** and ***kissed him.***

That's the love of God!

21 And the son said unto him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and in thy sight and am no more worthy to be called thy son."

22 But the father said to his servants, ***Bring forth the best robe and put it on him;*** and ***put a ring on his hand,*** and ***shoes on his feet:***

23 And bring hither the fatted calf and kill it and let us eat, and be merry:

But here's the kicker (Luke 15:10) there ***is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repented.***

Let me comment on this right here. The fatted calf was the Sacrifice for the sons sins, scripture says in "Hebrews 9:22 ***And almost all things are by the***

law purged with blood and without shedding of blood is no remission.

1 John 3:2-3 “Beloved, now are we the sons of God and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.”

3 And every man that hath this hope in him purifies himself, even as he is pure.

Listen to this statement in Luke 15:24 ***For this my son was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found. And they began to be merry.***

True repentance brings restoration: you have to realize the scripture says:

1. But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him (he was looking for him)
2. And had compassion and ran and fell on his neck, (He forgave him)
3. And kissed him. (And he restored him)

The ring on his finger was the seal of the Father whosoever wore it had the same power and authority as the Father.

Luke 10:19 Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

John 14:12 Verily, verily, I say unto you, **He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also;** and **greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.**

This is the seal of God on the believer!

When you repent God gets excited and rejoices! And you wonder why we shout and dance when someone repents and is baptized in Jesus Name and

is filled with God's Spirit. Well, let me tell you.

- A. We have the Spirit of the Father within us
- B. And when he rejoices, his Spirit causes us to rejoice,
- C. Because there is another victory over sin!!

Do you think that the almighty just sits on a throne and says well I see you come back?

NO! he gets up and he gets excited just like you would if one of your kids had gone off to another country and was living like the hogs and then decided to come back because they know that at mom and dad's there is food and love.

God loves you more than your mamma and daddy ever thought of loving you.

Matt 7:11 *If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?*

Come on folks: God loves you so much that he gave his only begotten son that whosoever believes in him should not perish but have everlasting life.
John 3:16

God isn't waiting in heaven to destroy you but to restore you to give you eternal life.

Hebrews 9:14 *How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?*

Church I am talking about eternal life, not this fleshly life we are living but a life in a place that John described in the book of Revelations Rev 21:18
And the building of the wall of it was of jasper: and the city was pure gold, like unto clear glass.

Listen to this vision given to John while on the isle of Patmos: Rev 21:1-7

1 And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away and there was no more sea.

2 And I John saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

3 And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men and he will dwell with them and they shall be his people and God himself shall be with them and be their God.

4 And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

5 And he that sat upon the throne said, *“Behold, I make all things new. And he said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful.”*

6 And he said unto me, it is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely.

Are you thirsty?

7 He that overcomes shall inherit all things and I will be his God and he shall be my son.

Can you actually tell me that drinking and doping and committing Adultery and fornicating is better than this?

Listen to what happens if you miss being born again.

Rev 21:8

But the fearful (*To afraid to separate yourself from the world.*) And unbelieving {those who claim there is no God or those that refuse to serve God} And the abominable (People who refuse to hear the Law of God Proverbs 28: 9) and murderers and whoremongers and sorcerers and idolaters and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.

But listen, God's will is that you be saved, so why don't we all do what Isaiah 1:18-20 says, "Come now and let us reason together, said the LORD: "though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool."

Here is all you have to do verse 19; If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land:

But here are the results if you don't, verse 20 But if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall be devoured with the sword: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it.

Come everyone let us pray and repent that we will be accounted worthy to enter in to that city who's builder and maker is God. Hebrews 11:10