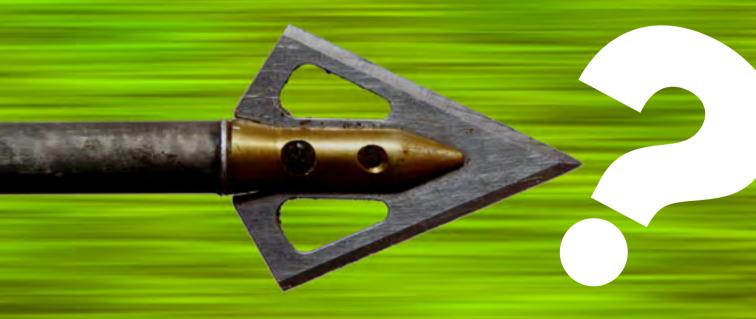


# Have you ever wondered what is the point of life?

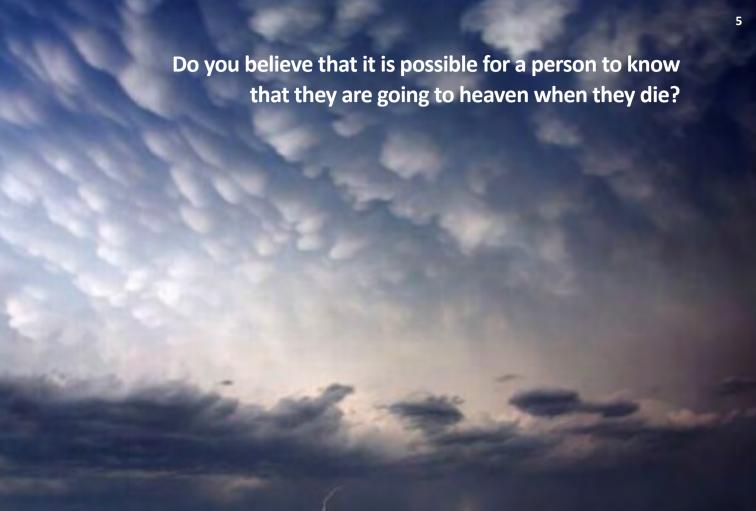




How can you know that that's the truth?

Do you think it's possible that there is a heaven and a hell? That God exists and somehow we are meant to relate to him?





If you were to die tonight and stand before God and He were to say to you "Why should I let you into my heaven?"

What would your answer be?

#### Some Excellent News for You

You know, when we started this discussion I felt I might have some Good News for you. I am sure you will find that what I have to share is excellent news!

You see, I used to think the way you do until someone explained to me that we can't make ourselves good enough for God ... we've all fallen short of His standard.

It says in the Bible:

"All have sinned and fall short of the Glory of God."

Romans 3:23

Does that include you? Does that include me?



# Can't make ourselves good enough

If you prepare a cake with good ingredients and just before you put it into the oven you put in a dessert spoon full of kerosene.

Will the cake be edible when you've baked it?



#### Another illustration ...

Or what would happen if you prepared an omelette with 10 eggs ... What if 9 were perfectly good eggs and the tenth one was rotten? Would you serve this omelette to your friends? Would you serve it to God?



## This illustration shows us that now ...

# **People**





God loves you but there is something between Him and people ...?

What could it be?

... there is something in us that separates us from God

## Sin separates us from God and His Love

You



Sin separates people from God and from each other ...



God loves you

"Your sins have cut you off from God." Isaiah 59:2

"Anyone who sins breaks God's law."

Sinning is the same as living against God's law."

1 John 3:4





"... man is destined to die once and after that to face judgement."

Hebrews 9:27

"Punished with everlasting destruction ... shut out from the presence of the Lord ...." 2 Thess. 1:8-9



#### Good deeds fall short



"All have sinned and fall short of the Glory of God." Romans 3:23

#### Unable to overcome ...

## You



You cannot overcome the barrier of rebellion that you set up between you and God



God loves you and wants to help you know Him personally ...

"If ... the light that is in you is darkness, how great is that darkness."

Matthew 6:23



But God loves you and has provided the solution ...

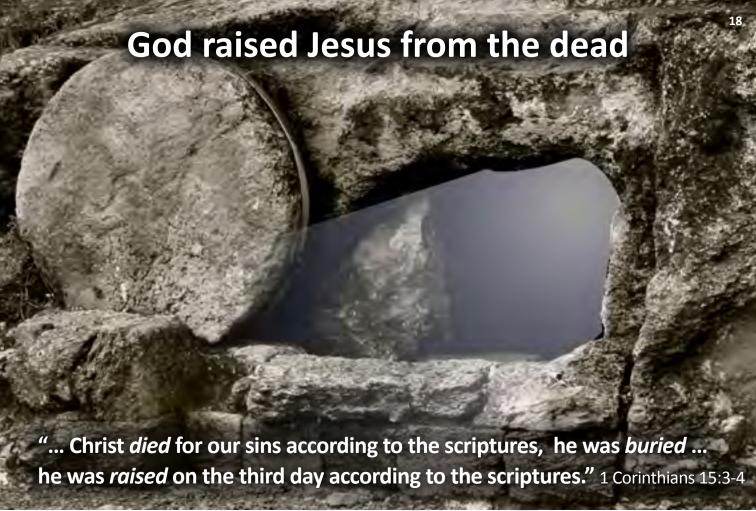


#### God shows you His love

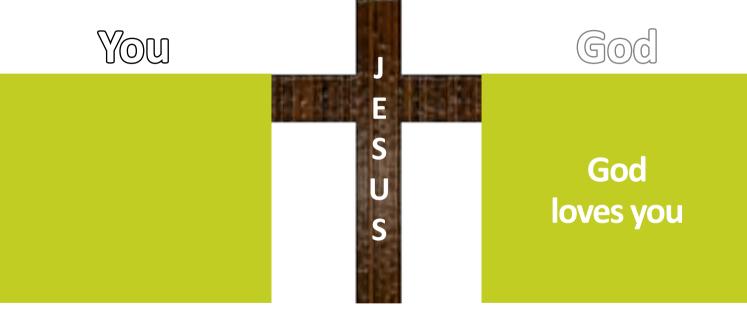
God's solution: because sin came into the world through one man, then it is possible for One Man, Jesus, God's Son, to take away the world's sin and the judgement that comes with it.

"God shows His love towards us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us."

Romans 5:8



#### Jesus removes the sin barrier



"For there is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave Himself as a ransom for all men ...." 1 Tim. 2:5-6

# Jesus brings you to God



"For Christ died for our sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to ©od …." 1 Peter 3:18

How you can respond to God's plan

- 1. ACCEPT and BELIEVE that Jesus died for your sins a righteous, innocent man died for all of us
- 2. ASK to RECEIVE God's gift of Eternal Life

"To ALL who received Him, to those who believed in His Name, He gave the right to become the children of God."

John 1:12



#### How do you receive?

SORRY – tell God you are sorry for all you have done wrong and turn away [repent] from all that is wrong

THANK YOU – thank God for sending Jesus to die on the cross for you and giving you Eternal Life

PLEASE – ask God to come into your heart by the Holy Spirit

Then you will be ...

"Born not of blood, nor the will of the flesh nor the will of man but born of God."

John 1:13





## Jesus is calling you

"Look, I stand at the door and knock.

If anyone hears my voice and opens
the door, I will go and eat with him
and he with me."

Revelation 3:20

Eating together is a sign of close friendship – a real relationship



#### **Your Response**

Do you believe that Jesus died for you?

Do you want to receive God's Gift of eternal life?

Then let us pray ...



## **Prayer**

Dear Father,

I am sorry for all that I have done wrong.
I ask you to forgive me. I now turn away
from everything which I know to be wrong
in my life.

Thank you for sending Jesus, your One and Only Son, who died on the cross to set me free from sin.

Please come into my life by your Holy Spirit. Help me to be the person you want me to be. I gladly receive you now, Jesus, as my Saviour and Lord.

Amen.

#### You can be sure

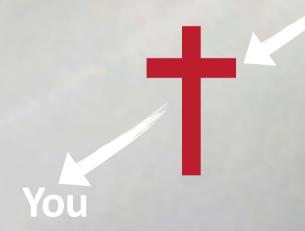
God has given us a way to know that we have received Eternal Life when we have trusted in Him in the way you have just done, God says in His word:

"And this is the record that God has given to us Eternal Life and this Life is in His Son. He that has the Son has Life; and he that has not the Son has not Life."

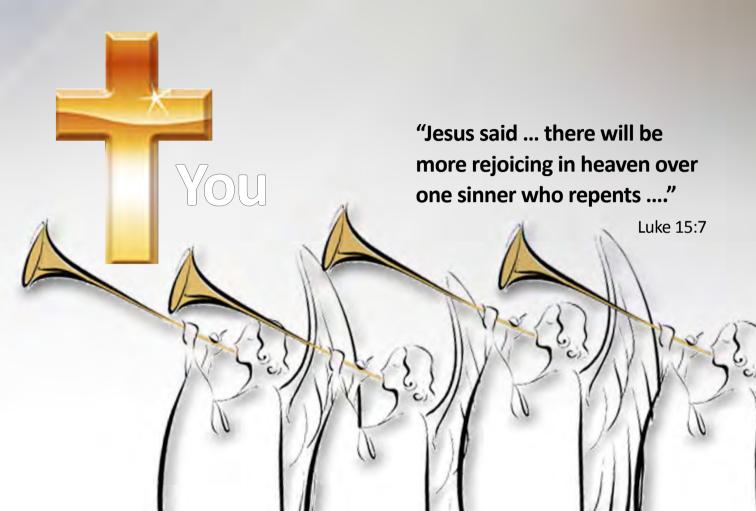
#### You can be sure

God, through Jesus, places His Holy Spirit in us. He imparts the gift of Eternal Life to us here and now.

**HOLY SPIRIT** 



"I tell you the truth whoever hears my word and believes in the One who sent me, has everlasting life and will not be condemned but is passed from death to life."



# God's keeping power



God said: "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you." Hebrews 13:5b

# You can stay close to God



PRAY: Talk to God and ask for His help



Read the Bible and learn about God



**WORSHIP:** Be with other Christians and spend time with God

TELL:

**Tell others about Jesus and Eternal Life** 

#### My commitment to You

"I will be helping you.

The enemy of our souls will try
to upset you or tempt you.

I will be praying for you."

## Let's meet again

John 20:31

Let's meet again on		(day
at	_ (time)	

In the meantime I recommend you read this Gospel of John\*, even a couple of chapters will be an excellent start.

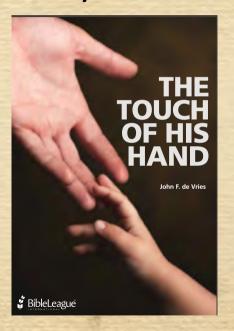
God bless you!

\* "... these things have been written in order that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through your faith in Him you may have life."



#### How You can grow in Christ

I recommend that you read this short book



available from Bible League. Go to www.bl.org.au or www.bl.org.nz

#### How You can grow in Christ

I would like to mention some Christian courses available to you.

You can attend one of these course at a church, in a workplace
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I will explain when we meet next time.







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