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## **AM I GOING TO HEAVEN?**

Check below whay you think is necessary to get you to heaven.

- o obeying the Ten Commandments
- o good works
- o giving money to the church
- o church attendance
- o prayers
- o water baptism
- o confirmation

## **Explanation:**

If you checked one or more of the above items, you failed. Don't feel badly, though most people fail. Most are to some degree 'religious', but religions are nothing more than man-made attempts to reach God.

The real answer to how to get to heaven is not found in some religious system or by man's self-righteousness. God has declared that "... There is none righteous, no, not one" (Romans 3:10) "for all have sinned, and come short of (miss) the glory of God" (Romans 3:23).

Further, God's Word teaches that sin is a

very serious matter. 2 Thessalonians 1:9 tells of "everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord".

What can you do about your sin problem? Can you clean up your life, do good works and hope that in the end your good works will outweigh your bad works? NO! Salvation does not come to those who work for it, but to those who cease from their own works, placing their trust in the Lord Jesus Christ. Romans 4:5 makes that point abundantly clear. "But to him that worketh not, but believeth on him that justifieth the ungodly, his faith is counted for righteousness." In Ephesians 2:8-9, it is declared "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: not of works, lest any man should boast."

## The issue is not what you can do for God, but what He has done for you.

"But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." (Romans 5:8). "For he hath made him (Jesus) to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him" (2 Corinthians 5:21). You have no righteousness of your own. To have eternal life you must have the righteousness of Christ (see Romans 3:26).

What then is your responsibility? God has given you a free will to either accept or reject what He has done for you. To have God's righteousness you must believe that "Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures; and that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the Scriptures" (1 Corinthians 15:3,4).

Simply make the decision in your heart to trust completely and exclusively in the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ as the total payment to God for your sins. The moment you do, God will forgive you all your sins and save you from everlasting destruction (Romans 10:9).