

The God who saves

Introduction

Each and everyone here today has a price on your head?

Whether you believe it or not there is a price on your head right now and that price is too much for any of us to pay.

You see that Bible tell us in **Romans 3:23** that *“for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God”*

So we are all sinners. When Adam and Eve sinned their sin was passed from generation to generation and we are all sinners and there really is NO HOPE, because the price on our head, the price we cannot pay, the price for our sins is DEATH!

In **Romans 6:23**, the Bible says *“For the wages of sin is death”*, the only way for us now to pay for our sins is death.

Now the death we are talking about it not only physical death but also physical separation from our loved one. When someone dies we are heart broken.

But why are we heartbroken when someone dies. It is because that person is gone, our fellowship with that person has ended.

We cannot speak to them, we cannot see them or have fellowship with them, they are gone and we miss them.

This death spoken of here in **Romans 6:23**, means separation, separation from what or who – separation from God.

The payment for our life of sin is separation from God! So if you a separate from God you are not in heaven, because God lives in heaven!

So if you are separate from God and God stays in heaven where are you heading, where are you going? You are heading or going to hell because you sins will separate your form God.

I don't say this, God says this in His Word, the payment for our sins is separation from God.

The reality of life is that the payment, the just payment for a life of sin is separation from God in a place called hell!

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Jesus said in **Matthew 25:41**, speaking about the final judgement of sinners that, Hell was not intended for mankind but the devil and his angels, *“into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels.”*

How can I be saved?

So the question is, if I am going to hell, I doomed to go there, is there anything that I can do to change that?

Some people think they can go to heaven by attending church? But that is as farfetched as a person becoming a car by sleeping in a garage!

Others think they can go to heaven by doing good things, so that my good things out weigh my bad deeds? And that is a good as believing if I jump out of an aeroplane and flap my arms fast enough I can land safely on the ground.

No matter what we think we can or cannot do to attain heaven, it is not enough, why because the price is TOO HIGH for any of us to pay.

Only way to be saved!

The only way to be saved it to have someone pay the price for your sins in place of you! But who would do a thing like that?

Maybe your friend, husband or wife. Maybe your child or family member, would be willing to die in your place, **the problem with this is that they too are sinners so their sin would make their sacrifice useless!**

So the only way to be saved is to have someone who is perfect and sinless to die in your place! Is there anyone sinless and prepared to die for my sins here in Chitkula, in Malawi, in Africa, in the whole world?

The answer there is only one person who can and had already died in your place for your sins. **And His Name is Jesus Christ.**

Jesus Christ, the Anointed one of God, Who came to this earth about 2,000 years ago and lived a sinless life here on earth and then was crucified, and died, paying the price for your and my sins.

Not only did Jesus Christ die for your sins but He went to hell to pay the price for your sins and then after three days He rose again and is today alive and seated in Heaven with God, waiting and interceding for us to accept His sacrifice for our sins.

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Romans 6:23 says *“For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.”*

Accepting Jesus Christ.

John 14:6, this is Jesus Christ talking about Himself, He says that *“I am the way the truth and the Life, No one comes to the Father but through Me...”*

The only way to God, the only way to avoiding the separation from God at death is accepting Jesus Christ as your own personal Saviour and Lord.

I cannot do it for you. Only you can do it for yourself.

You see, Christianity, being a Christian has nothing to do with going to church, reading your Bible, praying or giving money to the church, These are all important after you become born again.

Christianity, being a Christian has **to do with a relationship! A relationship with Jesus Christ**, where you accept Him as your Lord and Saviour and He washes away your sin debt and makes you a son/daughter of God, He makes you a resident of Heaven. And you live your life for Him and live your life like His child.

Romans 10:9-13 says. *“If you declare with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. ¹¹As Scripture says, “Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame.” ¹²For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, ¹³for, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”*

The fact is that you were created an eternal being, you live after you die, but you get to choose where you'll live when you die. Your sin must be punished with you pay of Jesus pays!

So my question today is, will you choose Jesus Christ as your Saviour today or will you reject Him. Both have consequences, one you choose to go to Heaven, the other you choose to go to Hell!