

The Way - Week 2

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Jesus is the way to the Father

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

Acts 4:12 "Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved."

Two ways you don't go to heaven:

1) By being a good person.

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

2) By simply "believing" in God.

James 2:19 You believe that there is one God. Good! Even the demons believe that--and shudder.

Back to the beginning

Genesis 2:17 "but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat of it you will surely die."

Isaiah 59:2 But your iniquities have separated you from your God; your sins have hidden his face from you, so that he will not hear.

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

The situation of Sin

Galatians 3:22 But the Scripture declares that the whole world is a prisoner of sin,...

Romans 3:23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,...

Ephesians 2:12 remember that at that time you were separate from Christ, excluded from citizenship in Israel and foreigners to the covenants of the promise, without hope and without God in the world.

Jesus saves us

1 Peter 2:22 "He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth."

1 John 3:5 But you know that he appeared so that he might take away our sins. And in him is no sin.

Mark 10:45 "For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

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

1 Peter 3:18 For Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God....

Responding to Christ

1) Repentance

Acts 2:37 When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?" **38** Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit."

2) Faith in Christ

Acts 16:30 He then brought them out and asked, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" **31** They replied, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved--you and your household."

3) Baptism

Acts 8:12 But when they believed Philip as he preached the good news of the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women.