

# **ETERNITY**

**Will it be Heaven?**

**Or will it be Hell?**

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# Eternity

## FOREWORD

Arthur Stace, better known as Mr. Eternity, was born in 1885 and raised in Sydney, Australia. In 1932 he heard a sermon by Reverend John Ridley in which the Rev Ridley declared he wished he could write Eternity in all the streets of Sydney. Arthur couldn't get it out of his mind, and he decided thereafter to write the word **Eternity** in chalk on the pavements of Sydney. To his amazement, even though he was illiterate and could hardly write his own name legibly, the word "Eternity" was written, from the very first time to the last time, in a beautiful copperplate script. Several mornings a week for some 35 years, Arthur woke up at 4am to go around the streets of Sydney and chalk the word "**Eternity**" on footpaths, doorsteps, railway stations' entrances, and anywhere else he could access. Workers arriving in the city for the day would see the word, freshly written, but not the writer, and the mysterious messenger who wrote the word "**Eternity**" became a legend in Sydney.

You can see and hear more about Arthur Stace's story in the following video presented by The Incredible Journey, and learn WHY Arthur was so passionate about reminding people of the importance of ETERNITY.

You can find it by searching on Youtube for 'The Incredible Journey Mr Eternity', or with this link -  
<https://www.google.com/search?client=firefox-b-d&q=Sydney+Fireworks+Eternity#fpstate=ive&vld=cid:cdc99638,vid:tjH7GGZbylQ>

*1 John 5:11-13*

*'This is the testimony: God has given us ETERNAL LIFE, and this life is in His Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son does not have life.'*



## Life's Most Important Questions



### ➤ **What** is Eternity?

Eternity is timeless. It is defined as 'a state to which time has no application; timelessness.' It is accepted, and always has been, as the realm outside of time. It is without beginning, before we existed, and has no ending, and it is where we will all be after we depart this Earth and this life. It is what comes after our death.

In our lives, we live in a three-dimensional (3D) world, one we can measure by length, breadth, and height. To that we must add TIME, which is measured moment to moment, day to day, year to year. We cannot escape our 3D world and the chains of time, except in death, at which time we enter another dimension – that of the spiritual world. Eternity is found in that spiritual dimension, and it is not subject to the restrictions of time or space.

God lives in Eternity, outside of our dimensions. God is eternal, and He is not subject to time. Scripture tells us in Psalm 90:2 that God is '*from everlasting to everlasting*'. Everlasting is another word that means eternity.

Among other Scriptures, Deuteronomy 33:27a calls God '*The eternal God...*

We are all familiar with the concepts that in eternity there are two distinct places – Heaven and Hell. Throughout the ages, in ancient legends, books, stories, and these days, in endless numbers of movies, we have all heard of Heaven, where God dwells, and Hell, where 'the devil', or Satan, dwells. We also have an increasing number of personal stories told by many

who have had close encounters with death (an NDE – Near-Death Experience), and who have come back to life and told of seeing and experiencing these spiritual locations. Heaven and hell are real, and this is testified to by countless experiences over the ages.

The important point that this book deals with is something else we also know about Heaven and Hell. Once we die, we will spend our Eternity in either one or the other. Even little children know that Heaven is GOOD, and Hell is NOT. Even here on Earth, we describe wonderful or beautiful experiences as ‘Heavenly’, and awful places or situations we find ourselves in, which we do not want to be in, as ‘being in Hell’.

So, knowing that we cannot avoid Eternity, can we make a decision BEFORE we enter it about WHERE we will spend Eternity?

This is a most important question, and I hope this little booklet can answer it for you.

## ➤ **Where** Are You Going to Spend Eternity?

**This is the MOST IMPORTANT QUESTION of your life!**

Once you have died, there is **NO** second chance, **NO** changing your mind, and **NO** coming back to try again. You **MUST** choose your eternal destination BEFORE you exit this world!

**God has given you FREE WILL and He won't overrule your choice, so choose well while there is time. The choice is yours as to whether you spend eternity in Heaven or Hell.**

The Bible is the most authoritative record we have about God, life, death and eternity, and it is very clear about what happens after we die and where we will spend Eternity. It is either

spending Eternity in Heaven, in the presence of God and His Holy Angels, or it is Eternity in Hell, in the presence of Satan and his demons.

The Bible is also very clear about what qualifies someone to enter Heaven after death. It says that SIN (breaking the laws of God) PREVENTS and disqualifies anyone from entering Heaven. It tells us that ALL have sinned, and that the payment for sin is death, separation from God, and Eternity in Hell. So, the important question is – **how do we get rid of our sin?**

The Bible tells us there is only ONE way, and that is to believe in the Son of God, Jesus Christ, Who was sent to live with us, and **to die for us**, thus paying the price of our sins and ‘wiping our slates clean’. Those who understand and accept this truth (‘Believers’) ‘die’ with Christ and live for Him, and it is the forgiveness of their sins which grants access to Heaven and the eternal presence of God.

You may say to me that you don’t believe in an afterlife and that once we die, that’s it. But what if you are wrong and there IS an afterlife – what then?

That would be like a man climbing the so-called ladder of success only to discover when he reached the top of the ladder that it was leaning against the wrong building.

**The GOOD NEWS is – through Jesus, God HAS provided us with a choice, and the choice is yours, BUT you have to decide where you want to spend Eternity *before* you die as there is no second chance *after* you die. There is no such thing as Purgatory or reincarnation for another chance at Heaven.**

So - do you think it’s a good idea to know more about the Destination before buying the ticket?



Further on in this Booklet we will examine the **known facts about Heaven and Hell** in detail. It will be worth reading, as you may well change your mind about Eternity and where you will spend it.

## ➤ What Happens After **Death**?

### For the Believer in Jesus Christ

The Bible tells us that after death, believers' souls/spirits are taken to Heaven, because by them receiving Christ as their Lord and Saviour their sins have been forgiven. (John 3:16,18, 36)

*John 3:16 - For God so loved the world that gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.*

*Vs 18 – He who believes in Him (Jesus) is not condemned, but he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.*

*Vs 36 – He who believes in the Son (Jesus) has everlasting Life, and he who does not believe the Son (Jesus) shall not see life but the wrath of God abides on him/her.*

### For the Unbeliever

For those who do not believe in Jesus Christ and receive Him as their Lord and Saviour, death means everlasting punishment. Jesus tells a very important story in chapter 16 of the book of Luke. We know this is a real-life story and not a parable as Jesus uses the man's name in this story.

Luke 16: 19 -31 – *There was a certain rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and fared sumptuously every day. But there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, full of*

*sores, who was laid at his gate, desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man's table. Moreover, the dogs came and licked his sores. So it was that the beggar died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died and was buried. And being in torment in Hades, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. Then he cried out and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am tormented in this flame. But Abraham said, Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things, but now he is comforted and you are tormented. And besides all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed, so that those who want to pass from here to you cannot, nor can those from there pass to us. Then he said, I beg you therefore, Father, that you would send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, that he may testify to them, lest they also come to this place of torment. Abraham said to him. They have Moses and the prophets, let them hear them. And he said, No, Father Abraham, but if one goes to them from the dead, they will repent. But Abraham said to him, If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded even though one rise from the dead.*

From this we learn that after death, a person resides in either a place of comfort (Heaven) or in a place of torment. (Hell)

**GOD HAS GIVEN US HIS WRITTEN WORD, THE BIBLE, TO WARN US, BUT IF WE REJECT HIM AND HIS WORD THEN WE WILL SUFFER THE SAME TORMENT AS THIS RICH MAN.**

After death, the unbeliever who has rejected Jesus Christ and His gift of salvation will go before the Great White Throne to be judged and then cast into the Lake of Fire.

Rev 20:11-15 – *Then I (John) saw a great white throne and Him who sits on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away, and there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and the books were opened. And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books. The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged each one according to his works. Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the Lake of Fire.*

### ➤ What is **Eternal** Death?

In short, eternal death is the fate that awaits all people who ultimately reject God and the gospel of His Son, Jesus Christ, and remain in their sin and disobedience. Physical death is a one-time experience. Eternal death, on the other hand, is everlasting. It is a death that continues through eternity, a spiritual death that is experienced on a continual basis. Just as spiritual life, by grace through faith in Christ, is everlasting life, eternal death is also never ending.

Daniel 12:2 *And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life (in Heaven) and some to shame and everlasting contempt/torment (in Hell)*

Matthew 25:46 *And these (sinners) will go away into everlasting punishment, (Hell) but the righteous (those forgiven of their sins) into everlasting life. (Heaven)*

## ➤ Does Being Sincere and Good **Count**?

Some say “I have lived a good life and tried to do the right thing. I have been sincere in everything that I have done”. Others say that they always try to do the right thing, and often do good deeds for others. That, of course, is a very noble and good thing to do, and carries great rewards in this life, but the Bible warns us that it won't get anyone into Heaven. In Ephesians 2:8 it says - *For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast.*

I knew of a very sincere and good man. One day he took his three grandchildren for a ride in his car. They were having a wonderful time, laughing and singing together as they went. As they traveled the familiar road, they came to a level crossing and the man started to drive across the train tracks. He sincerely believed that the crossing was clear to cross. However, he failed to see the train coming their way. He was sincere, yes, but he was wrong, and they were all killed.

You see, we can be very sincere in believing that we won't have to come before God's judgement seat, and that we won't have to face the consequences of our sin, but like the man on the train tracks, we will be sincerely *wrong*, and bring disaster upon ourselves. We all will be held accountable for every sin we commit if we have not invited Jesus Christ into our lives as our Lord and Saviour, and received His forgiveness of our sins.

## ➤ What is **Heaven** Like?

First of all, Heaven is a real place and not a figment of someone's imagination. Heaven is real, and it is described in

great detail in the Bible. The word 'Heaven' is found nearly 300 times in the New Testament alone.

The Apostle Paul was 'caught up to the third Heaven', but he was prohibited from revealing what he experienced there. (2 Corinthians 12:1-9) Logically, if a third Heaven exists, there must be at least two other Heavens. The first Heaven is most frequently referred to in the Old Testament as the Sky or the Firmament. This is the Heaven that contains clouds, the area that the birds fly through. The second Heaven is interstellar, outer space, which is the abode of the stars, planets, and other celestial objects, as you will find described in Genesis 1:14-18.

The third Heaven, the location of which is not revealed to us, is the dwelling place of God. Jesus promised to go there to prepare a place in this Heaven for all true believers of Christ.

*John 14:1-3 – Let not your hearts be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. In my Father's house are many mansions. If it were not so I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself, that where I am, you may be also.*

The Apostle John was privileged to see and report on Heaven. (Revelation 21:10-27) John witnessed that Heaven possesses the "glory of God." He saw that the gates to the city of Heaven are made of giant pearls (you've heard of the 'Pearly Gates'). The streets are made of gold so pure they are transparent like glass.

*Rev 21:11 ..... having the Glory of God. Her light was like a most precious stone, like a jasper stone, clear as crystal.*

Rev 21:21 *The twelve gates were twelve pearls –each individual gate was of one pearl –And the streets were made of pure gold, like transparent glass.*

Rev 22:5 *There shall be no night there. They need no lamp nor light of the sun, for the Lord God gives them light. And they shall reign forever and ever.*

Heaven is filled with the glory of God, the brilliance of costly precious stones, and crystal clear as jasper. Heaven's city has twelve gates and twelve foundations.

Rev 21:12 *Also she (the holy city) had a great high wall with twelve gates, and twelve angels at the gates, and names written on them, which are the names of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel.*

Rev 21:14 *Now the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb (Jesus).*

The paradise of the Garden of Eden is restored, the river of life flows freely and the tree of life is available once again, yielding fruit monthly with leaves that “heal the nations”.

Rev 22: 1-2 *And he showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding from the throne of God and of the Lamb (Jesus). In the middle of its street, and on either side of the river, was the tree of life, which bore twelve fruits, each yielding its fruit every month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.*

However eloquent the Apostle John was in his description of Heaven, the reality of Heaven is beyond the ability of finite man to describe it.

1 Cor 2:9 *Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor have entered into the heart of man, the things which God has prepared for those who love Him.*

We also have many amazing descriptions of Heaven from those who have been there through near-death experiences and 'lived to tell the story' of what they saw and heard.

Heaven has several 'No Mores'. There will be No More tears, No More pain, and No More sorrow.

Rev 21:4 *And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away.*

The best thing about Heaven is the presence of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

1 John 3:2 *Behold, now we are children of God, and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is.*

We will be face to face with Jesus, the sinless Lamb of God who loved us and sacrificed Himself for us, taking upon Himself the penalty of our sins, so that we can enjoy His presence in Heaven for Eternity.

### ➤ Is Hell **Real**, And Is It Eternal?

It is interesting that a much higher percentage of people believe in the existence of Heaven than believe in the existence of Hell. According to the Bible, though, Hell is just as real as Heaven. In fact, Jesus spoke more about Hell than He did about Heaven as He doesn't want people to go there. The

Bible clearly and explicitly teaches that Hell is a real place to which unforgiven unbelievers go after they die.

- We have all sinned against God.

Romans 3:23 *For ALL have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. (God is holy, righteous and just.)*

- The just punishment for sin is death.

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

- All our sin is ultimately against God. We rebel/sin against Him.

Psalm 51: 4 *Against You, You only, have I sinned, and done this evil in Your sight....*

God is an infinite and eternal Being, eternity is infinite and eternal, and the punishment for sin is also infinite and eternal. Hell is an infinite and eternal death which we have earned through our sin.

The Bible describes Hell as a terrifying and horrible place. Hell is described as

- \* Eternal fire (Matt 25:41)
- \* Unquenchable fire (Matt 3:12)
- \* A place of shame and everlasting contempt (Dan 12:2)
- \* A place where “the fire is not quenched” (Mark 9:44-49), and
- \* Everlasting destruction (2 Thess 1:9)



Revelation 20:10 describes Hell as a “burning lake of fire and brimstone (sulphur)” where the wicked are “tormented day and night forever and ever.”

Obviously, Hell is a place we should all avoid and we don't have to go there, as Jesus has made a way of escape - if only we repent of our sins and ask Him for His forgiveness. THE CHOICE IS OURS!!!

### ➤ Why does Hell **Exist**?

Because of SIN.

The Bible tells us that God prepared Hell for the devil and the fallen angels after they rebelled (sinned) against Him (Matt 25:41). Those who die and enter eternity with their sins unforgiven by God, having refused God's loving offer of forgiveness (which is free, but not cheap!) will suffer the same eternal destiny – everlasting punishment - of the devil and the fallen angels. (Revelation 20:15 – *And anyone not found in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.*)

### ➤ What's The Big Deal About **Sin**?

Let me explain.

First of all, God is a Holy, Righteous and a Just God and He won't have sin in His presence. Secondly, where there is sin there is death, because “the wages of sin is death” (Rom 6:23). So, sin has to be dealt with before we can enter into the presence of God. Jesus paid the price of our sins by His death on the cross. It is only through Jesus that we have forgiveness of our sins, so we can then enter into the presence of God.

Illustration of Sin: - Let's say you went to the Doctor and he told you that you have cancer and the only way of saving your

life was to have an urgent operation to cut out the cancer before it killed you. I am fairly sure you would follow the Doctor's advice and have the operation as soon as possible.

Sin is also a terminal disease, and it has **eternal** consequences. The only 'cure' is for God to forgive you of your sins. This is only possible by you putting your faith in Jesus Christ and asking Him to forgive you.

"Ah, but," I think I hear you say, "I have been a good person and I don't sin!"

Romans 6:12 warns us that "there is NO-ONE who does good, no, not one".

So, let's check that out – maybe you're the exception!

Have you ever told a lie?

If you have, then that makes you **a liar** and therefore a **sinner**, because one of God's Commandments to us is to not bear false witness, i.e., lie (Exodus 20:16).

Rom 3:23 *For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.*

Rom 3:10 *For there is none righteous, no, not one.*

Isaiah 64:6 *But we are all like an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are like filthy rags.*

**The important point about sin is this – it locks you out of Heaven, and then there's only Hell - for eternity.**

Some people say that they will enjoy Hell. They think they will meet up with all their mates and 'have a big party'. Sadly, nothing could be further from the truth, as the Bible says that Hell is a place of torment, darkness, weeping, wailing and gnashing of teeth. (Matt 8:12) That doesn't sound like much of a party to me!

Others say that when they get to the 'Pearly Gates' that they will be able to talk their way in, as after all they have lived a good life and haven't murdered anyone or done bad things. But sadly, they also miss the important point. ALL sin, from the tiniest 'white lie' to the most heinous crime has the same effect – it **cancel**s your right to be close to the presence of God, your Creator.

In other words, you've just been **locked out** of those same Pearly Gates.

### ➤ Why is Hell **Necessary**?

You are familiar with society's custom of 'Break the law, pay the penalty', I'm sure. Depending on the crime (sin) and the society it was against, penalties for law-breakers range from paying a fine, doing community service, serving jail time, or in some societies, being executed for the crime.

God is an infinite and eternal Being. God's laws are eternal laws. All sin, which is specifically breaking God's laws, is against God (Psalm 51:4). You are created an eternal being. Sin, therefore, has an eternal effect. Once done, you cannot change it, you cannot undo it, you cannot 'turn back time' to delete it. Neither can you avoid the consequences of sin (Numbers 32:23). Since only an infinite and eternal penalty is sufficient, an infinite and eternal price must be paid. Only an infinite and eternal penalty for unforgiven, unrelinquished sin is sufficient.

God in His infinite love gave us His Laws (the 10 Commandments), not to 'spoil our fun', but to **SAVE us** from the awful and eternal consequences of doing things that hurt us – lying, cheating, stealing, adultery, etc. Nevertheless, most

of us go right ahead and behave 'like there's no tomorrow', and no consequences.

The wages, the penalty of sin is eternal death. The Bible makes it very clear that ALL have sinned, and as a result, we ALL deserve to go to Hell (Rom 3:10-23). There is nothing WE can do to save ourselves from the eternal consequences of sin. We ALL have an eternal debt of sin to pay for, and no way of getting out of it.

Eternity in Hell is the 'death' that pays for our sin, because we have no other way to pay the penalty.

### ➤ So - How Can We **NOT** Go to Hell?

Make no mistake – God is NOT WILLING that any one should go to Hell (hence the Ten Commandments), and has given us many opportunities to find Him, to understand our perilous position, and to ask for forgiveness through the sacrifice of Jesus His Son (2 Peter 3:9).

*2 Peter 3:9 The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish (go to Hell) but that ALL should come to repentance (be saved from death and go to Heaven).*

He loves each of us with an eternal love, and through His Son has made the way for us to have eternal life. However, if we say no to His life-saving invitation, it is our SIN that condemns us to eternal punishment. We are either for Him, or we are against Him. There is no middle road, and if we are against Him, we cannot enter Heaven. Instead, our sin condemns us to receiving the wages of sin – eternal death.

God saw the trouble we were in, even before it happened (1 Peter 1:20), and because He loved us, God became a human being in the Person of Jesus Christ.

John 1:1 *In the beginning was the Word (Jesus) and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.*

John 1:14 *And the Word (Jesus) became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.*

Worldwide for centuries, we have celebrated His coming as the tiny baby in the manger, and so we should! God's plan for us was for blessing, not for cursing (Ephesians 1:3-6), but the only way that the sin of the whole world would be paid for properly was by death. In Jesus Christ, God lived among us, taught us and healed us, but those things were not His ultimate mission. Jesus was destined from before His birth for death on our behalf. He presented Himself as a sinless sacrifice, having lived as a man and never sinned, and Jesus - God in human form - died on the cross.

God became a human being so that He could ultimately die for us on the cross of Calvary!! Being God, Jesus's death, burial and resurrection was infinite and eternal in value, paying the full price for our sins.

1 John 2:2 *And He Himself (Jesus) is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world.*

As it says in Romans 6:23 - the FREE GIFT of God, through Jesus Christ, is forgiveness of sin and eternal life.

## ➤ How Can We be **Sure** of Going to Heaven?

God invites us all to receive Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour, accepting His death as the full and just payment for our sins. God promises that anyone who believes in Jesus, trusting Him alone as the Saviour of the world, will be saved and go to Heaven and not Hell.

**Remember, God does not want anyone to go to Hell.**

*John 3:16 For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believes in Him shall not perish but have everlasting life (in Heaven).*

*John 14:6 Jesus said to him "I am the way, the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me".*

That is why God made the ultimate, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice on our behalf. If you do not want to go to Hell, then you must receive Jesus Christ as your Lord and Saviour. It is as simple as that.

Tell God that you recognize that you are a sinner and that you deserve to go to Hell, but you repent (turn away from your sin), and ask Jesus to forgive you.

Invite Him into your life as the Lord of your life from this moment on.

Declare to God that you now want to trust in Jesus Christ as your Lord and Saviour. Thank God for providing for His salvation to you through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, His death on the cross of Calvary, His burial and His unprecedented resurrection.

Through simple faith, trusting in Jesus Christ as your Saviour, you can have Eternity with Him in Heaven, and escape Hell, because He has paid the price for your sins!

## ➤ Who or What do you **Worship**?

You've heard of the Ten Commandments, and we've mentioned them in this booklet, too. The entire question of Eternity in Heaven or Hell is linked to the Commandments that God has given us in Scripture. As we said earlier, breaking the laws of God, and disobeying His Commandments locks you out of His presence.

When He walked the Earth, Jesus was asked which was the first (most important) commandment of all. He answered (Mark12:29) -

*'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.' This is the first commandment. And the second, like it, is this: 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these."*

It is very easy in this crazy, busy world of ours to be drawn away into focusing on so many things that are not the Truth, things that draw us away from our Creator, our God. We need to be very watchful about the things we spend our time with and give our attention to, as certain things can become a 'god' in our lives. Before we know it, we can be loving other things more than we love God, and that will lead to trouble in our lives.

Do YOU live for and worship the One True God, or do you worship other things, things such as: -

\* Money and/or the Riches of this World

Mark 8:36 *For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul?*

\* The Environment/Save the Planet

2 Peter 3:10 *But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat, both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up.*

\* False gods/New Age Teaching

Exodus 20:3-4 *You shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself any graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in Heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.*

Keep watch over your heart, your soul, your mind, and your strength, and love and worship the One True God, and only Him. He is WORTHY! And Eternity is approaching!



## ➤ Summary

So, let's sum up what we have just read.

- God loves you with an everlasting love but....
- We are all sinners and we need a Saviour
- There is going to be a Judgement Day that we will all have to face.
- Jesus has paid the penalty for our sins, but....
- **We have to receive** His gift of Salvation by putting our faith/trust in Him.
- If our name is not written in the Lamb's Book of Life (Rev 20:11-15) ...
- When we die, we go to one of two places – Heaven or Hell. The choice is ours.
- Heaven is a place of love, joy and happiness and we dwell eternally in the presence of God.
- Hell is a place of everlasting torment and we dwell eternally in the presence of Satan.

## ➤ How Can YOU Accept God's Invitation to Be SAVED?

There are three simple but vital steps to being saved from an eternity in Hell.

### **1. REPENT**

This word means to stop going your own way, to turn around and go God's way. Jesus said – "*The time has come. The Kingdom of God is near. Repent and believe the good news.*" (Mark 1:15)

To God and to yourself, admit you are a sinner. *“For ALL have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.”* (Rom 3:23)

## 2. BELIEVE

*“For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved.”* (Rom 10:10)

Jesus Christ is God’s ONLY solution for man’s sin. (John 14:6)  
Jesus died in our place AND He rose again from the grave on the third day.

*“For Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring us to God.”* (1 Peter 3:18a)

*“But God demonstrated His love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us.”* (Rom 5:8)

*“For to this end Christ died and rose and lived again, that He might be Lord of both the dead and the living.”* (Romans 14:9)

## 3. RECEIVE

GOD offers us His FREE gift of Salvation, which we receive by faith (belief / trust).

*“For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith –and this is not from ourselves, it is the gift of God; not by works, so that no one can boast.”* (Eph 2:8-9)

*“Yet to all who received Him, to those who believed in His name, He gave the right to become children of God. (John 1:12)*

### ➤ Does God Hear Us When We **Pray**?

You can place your trust in Jesus Christ, and express your faith and trust in Him through **prayer**. Prayer is simply talking to God, just as you would to a friend.

God knows your heart (the 'real you') and is not so concerned with your words as He is with the attitude of your heart, and He loves to hear us pray to Him (1 Peter 3:12).

You may like to pray something similar to the following prayer, speaking to God, your Creator: -

*Dear Heavenly Father*

*I come to you in the name of Jesus Christ your Son.*

*I admit I am a sinner and have been running my own life in rebellion to your will for my life. Thank you, Jesus, for dying on the cross for my sins.*

*I want to be the person you planned for me to be and I ask for your forgiveness for all my sins. I ask you to be my Lord and Saviour.*

*I now receive you into my life, by faith, and thank you for giving me eternal life.*

*Amen.*

If you are sincere in praying such a prayer, then a true miracle will occur, and you will be 'born again' spiritually into God's family (Gal 3:26; 1 John 5:11-13).

You then need to connect with other vibrant, Bible-believing Christians ('the Church'), where you can be taught to read and understand the Bible, be supported and encouraged to grow in faith and in the knowledge of God and Jesus Christ, our Saviour.

If you would like to talk to someone about being 'born again', you are very welcome to contact me. I would love to talk with you, and offer you further assistance in your new life with Jesus. My email address is listed in this little booklet.

## ➤ Final Comments

I hope now that Eternity, and where you will spend it, is clearly understood, black & white with no shades of grey, just like the cover of this booklet.

I sincerely hope that you have understood what you have read here, and found the information clear and helpful.

**Remember - Where you spend Eternity is your choice.**

There are increasing numbers of fascinating reports and testimonies from people who have seen Heaven and Hell and have returned to life.

One such amazing story is that of Pastor Daniel Ekechukwu of Nigeria, which you will find here -

<https://youtu.be/LHENZf7mv> |

or search for Sheela Gladwin's

'Pastor Daniel Raised from the Dead'.

I recommend you see it. You'll hear of God's grace and power, and His warning to us all.

## ➤ Contact Details

If you have any questions regarding any of the things spoken of here, please feel free to contact me for further clarification, and I will be glad to speak with you.

Should you wish to obtain further copies of this Booklet, please contact me via email at **brianbaillie@bigpond.com**.

On my website you will be able to freely read and download my booklet '*What in the World is Happening...*' This booklet will explain to you what IS happening and what is ABOUT to happen to this world, as it was all predicted thousands of years ago in God's Word, the Bible. I believe you will find it interesting, informative and intriguing.

My website is found at **<https://brianbailliebooks.com>**.

Finally, my hope and prayer for you is that you ask God for His forgiveness of all your sins, and ask His Son, Jesus Christ, to come into your life and be your Lord and Saviour, before it is too late.

**Brian Baillie**

### **John 3:16**

*For God so greatly loved (and dearly prized) the world that He gave His one and only begotten Son, so that whoever believes and trusts in Him shall not perish, but have Eternal Life.*

*(Amplified Bible)*

## About the Author

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