

A close-up photograph of two hands. One hand is holding the wrist of the other. The background is a dark, gradient blue. The hands are positioned in the upper half of the frame.

ETERNITY IS A LONG, LONG TIME

A boy was swimming when he developed cramps. He cried for help. A man heard his cry and saved him from drowning.

Years later this same boy and some friends robbed a grocery store and were arrested. When the young man appeared in court, he recognized the

judge. It was the man who saved him from drowning.

Thinking all would be well the young man said, "Your Honor, I remember you. You kept me from drowning."

The judged responded, "Yes, I remember. I was your saviour then – today I am your judge."

YOUR SAVIOUR

Today Christ is your Saviour. He wants to save you from sin, judgment, and hell. He will save you if you will confess your sin. *"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness"* (I John 1:9).

He will forgive all sin. No one has gone too deep into sin that He cannot forgive. Jesus said, *"...him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out"* (John 6:37).

Your Saviour stands with open arms saying, *"Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest"* (Matthew 11:28). He knocks at

your heart's door, waiting for admission. (Revelation 3:20).

YOUR JUDGE

Failure to accept Christ as your Saviour will mean facing the judgment of Revelation 20:11-15. *"And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire"* (Revelation 20:15).

At this judgment God will open His books where He has recorded your sins. The Bible clearly states, *"...whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap"* (Galatians 6:7).

Influence, power, and money will not help anyone escape this judgment. All die and face judgment (Hebrews 9:27). No attorneys will defend you, and no deals will be made.

YOUR CHOICE

God created you as a free moral agent. You can choose your eternal destiny. No one can make this choice for you. Jesus said, *"He that believeth and is baptized"*

shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned” (Mark 16:16).

Good works will not save your soul. *“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” (Ephesians 2:8, 9).*

Baptism and church membership are commendable, but they will not save your soul. Jesus said, *“...I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me” (John 14:6).*

When you accept Christ, you pass from death unto life. You will not face the judgment of Revelation 20:11-15. John 5:25 assures you of a home in Heaven.

Don't delay. Accept Christ as your Saviour today. Reject Him, and He will be your Judge.

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