

Heaven

FOR SINNERS ONLY



*Only sinners can
enter Heaven.*

*All good, righteous folk
are bound for Hell.*

Go ahead, reread it. It's not a typographical error. And the writer isn't a bit confused.

Certainly, it sounds confused, irrational, and completely wrong. Nevertheless, it's true. God has said it. *"This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners..."* (1 Timothy 1:15).

Christ, Himself, said in Matthew 9:13, *"...I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance."*

This statement is so important that He stresses it again in Mark 2:17: *"...I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance."*

Perhaps you have believed that you were all right, as good as the next person, but God says, *"For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God"* (Romans 3:23).

What does that make you?

A sinner. One for whom Christ died. In fact, this is precisely what Paul says in Romans

5:8: *"...while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."*

Feeling self-righteous, believing we're all right as we are, will result only in our spending eternity in Hell because we refuse to recognize our need of the Saviour.

We learn in Isaiah 64:6 that *"...all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags..."* in God's sight. Since this is true, we cannot trust in our good works or abilities to save us.

Pride in our own talents, good deeds, and high moral standards blind us to our innate sinfulness, and thus causes our destruction.

Since our own righteousness means nothing and sin excludes us from Heaven (Galatians 5:19-21), what can we do? What recourse have we? Is there any way in which we can be saved?

Yes, there is!

1 John 1:9 tells us, *"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins..."* Do you think that's too easy? It is simple for a purpose. God made the way simple in order that it would be readily available for all who sincerely desired it.

We must realize that in ourselves we are nothing, but, because our own righteousness is void and baseless, God will give us His

righteousness. *“For he (God) hath made him (Christ) to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him”* (2 Corinthians 5:21).

Are you a sinner? Then you must be told that, *“For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord”* (Romans 6:23).

Do you truly realize your sinfulness and want God to save you from an eternity spent in Hell? Then tell Him so, and ask Him to have mercy on you, a sinner. Turn away from your old sinful life in genuine repentance. You can know definitely that He is faithful and will forgive you.

He loves you and He wants you to spend eternity with Him in Heaven.

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