WHAT COULD IT BE?

Is this your last chance? This message may be called a *road sign of warning*. Many are sure that they are saved. They may base this belief on their feelings, a lack of understanding God's Word, or on the fact that they go to a certain church. They may make comments, such as, "I believe in God. I know I am saved. I am a good person. I do what is right. I'm not as bad as others. I had an experience with God. I am a preacher, an elder, or a preacher's wife. God answered my prayer. I go to church, give my money, and sing in the choir. I was baptized."

This all sounds very nice, but none of these can get you into heaven. Many in the New Testament also said similar things, but Jesus showed them they were not saved. Understand, it is not a matter of, if you know Jesus, but does Jesus know you?-ref Mt 25:12. The Word of God (the Bible) SHALL JUDGE (you) IN THE LAST DAY-Jn 12:48. Many hope when they die it will turn out all right as they will go to a better place, yet the Bible teaches that most will perish. God cares and loves you. Jn 3:3 teaches that you must be BORN-AGAIN, but most people are not. This probably includes you.

If you had a sudden heart attack, or unforeseen accident, or the Rapture suddenly came, are you sure you are ready to meet God? You may say, "I believe I'm a good person." The Bible says all of your righteous deeds ARE AS FILTHY RAGS. You may be religious and go to church, but if you died right now—you would perish to hell. Why? Because you have not been born-again. You may say, "Well my church never preaches like this." Will you trust your religion or what the Bible says? If you choose not to accept God's way to enter heaven, then you are choosing eternal separation from God.

FOUR THINGS YOU MUST DO

- 1. You must **admit that you are a sinner**. The Bible tells us, ALL HAVE SINNED AND COME SHORT OF THE GLORY OF GOD. THE WAGES OF SIN IS DEATH
- 2. Be willing to change, to forsake all sin, to humble yourself and live for Jesus. **Repent**. Be willing to ask God for His help to make that change. The Bible tells us, EXCEPT YE REPENT, YE SHALL ALL LIKEWISE PERISH. WHOSOEVER THEREFORE WILL BE A FRIEND OF THE WORLD IS THE ENEMY OF GOD. Jesus said, HE THAT IS NOT WITH ME IS AGAINST ME
- 3. Believe in your heart Jesus Christ is God's only begotten Son, God Who came to this earth in human form. Believe He died for your sins. It is written, THERE IS NONE OTHER NAME UNDER HEAVEN GIVEN AMONG MEN, WHEREBY WE MUST BE SAVED. Jesus never sinned. When He died on the cross, He did not die for the things He did. He died to pay your sin debt in full.

4. **Ask for forgiveness**. Ask for God's mercy. By faith receive Jesus Christ as your only hope of salvation. **Afterwards, be willing to get baptized by full immersion in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.**

Nicodemus was considered a very religious man in the Bible; however, in Jn 3:3, Jesus tells him it is not enough. You MUST BE BORN AGAIN. You must confess Him publicly. Whenever Jesus called someone, He did it publicly. He said in Mt 10:32-WHOSOEVER THEREFORE SHALL CONFESS ME BEFORE MEN, HIM WILL I CONFESS ALSO BEFORE MY FATHER WHICH IS IN HEAVEN.

We invite you to make that decision for Jesus right now. Please kneel and pray this prayer and mean it with all your heart.

DEAR JESUS, I AM A SINNER. I BELIEVE YOU ARE THE SON OF GOD AND DIED FOR MY SINS ON THE CROSS. FORGIVE ALL OF MY SINS. JESUS, I REPENT AND GIVE YOU MY LIFE. HAVE MERCY ON ME, A SINNER. HELP ME TO FOLLOW AND OBEY THE BIBLE, AND TO LIVE FOR YOU. THANK YOU FOR HEARING MY PRAYER. I ASK IT IN THE NAME OF MY LORD AND SAVIOR, JESUS CHRIST. AMEN.

IF YOU JUST SAID THAT PRAYER AND MEANT IT

We recommend you now read your Bible every day faithfully—5 chapters a day. Begin with the Gospel of John, and read it through three times. Next go to Matthew and read the New Testament through three times. Then begin reading the entire Bible in order, beginning with Genesis. As God opens up His Word to you, obey it. Be a doer of the Word and not a hearer only, deceiving yourself-ref Ja 1:22. As you are faithful, God will open your understanding of His Word more and more.

Find a good Bible-teaching church that teaches God's Word, sound doctrine, Bible prophecy and the Revelation, not just stories about worldly things. Attend often and get baptized. Tell others that Jesus is your only hope of salvation.

If you've just said that prayer and committed your life to Jesus, please let us know by contacting us at Jesussaves@abundantbiblestudies.com or write to BIBLE DESK, PO Box 10142, St. Petersburg, FL 33733. We'd like to pray for you and send a free booklet that covers guidelines for a Christian.

I CALL HEAVEN AND EARTH TO RECORD THIS DAY AGAINST YOU, THAT I HAVE SET BEFORE YOU LIFE AND DEATH, BLESSING AND CURSING: THEREFORE CHOOSE LIFE, THAT...THOU...MAY LIVE-Deut 30-10

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