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Reading: Romans ch 6 v 23

The Good news of the Gospel is that “Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners” (1 Tim 1:15), sinners like you and me. The preacher was saved as a boy of 9 about 16 years ago. Jesus Christ changed His life for a better life for eternal life.

The Lord Jesus Christ changes life. There is nothing more important in life than knowing that you are saved.

The verse breaks into three parts:

“For the wages of sin is death” - The Problem

“but the gift of God is eternal life” - The Promise

“through Jesus Christ our Lord” - The Person

The Problem.

There are many problems around us in the world:

Globally huge problems - environmental issues, poverty, war etc.

Nationally huge problems - credit crunch, unemployment, drugs etc.

Personally huge problems - financial, family, friends, illness etc.

The biggest problem is SIN because of what it pays - The reward, payment, end result, outcome, what we will receive/deserve is DEATH

This sounds like something we should do something about.

If you are ill you look for a cure to solve the problem so you might live not die.

Have you done anything about sin? Are you listening to God?

Sin is all the wrong things we say and do. Breaking God's rules either on purpose or accidentally.

God's assessment on all mankind is “For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God” (Rom 3:23)

We see it everywhere. We are physically unable to reach Gods standards. We naturally know how to be sinful because we have a sinful nature, we are all born as little sinners. It does not matter is you are a little sinner or a big bad sinner we have all sinned.

Do you agree with God that you are a sinner?

Even if you commit one sin you will not get into heaven.

This verse is not just talking about physical death but also eternal death.

God is righteous. Hell will be a horrific place of torture.

“Whosoever not found in the book of life cast into lake of fire” (Rev 20:15)

Can you imagine the terror of that place? Are you still on the road that leads to this place?

The message is not just the warning but it's also the solution.

Cure/solution/answer to the problem.

Promises the gift of eternal life as a solution to sin.

“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life” (John 3:16).

God sent His son into the world to die on the cross for our sin. He took the punishment for our sin so God is able to offer the gift of eternal life. Free to us but He paid the ultimate price in giving His only son. He was accused of something He didn't do. God looked on while His Son shed His precious blood for us to be saved.

The reason He willing went through all these things is because He loved you.

“Son of God who loved us and gave Himself for us” (Gal 2:20)

He gave His all, His everything. God loves us and Christ died for us. He rose again on the third day - HE LIVES. All we have to do is accept the gift of God (Eternal life) by believing on the Lord Jesus Christ.

It's more than an escape from Hell but eternal life in heaven with Christ.

There are no problems in heaven; there is no sin in heaven

“God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes” (Rev 21:4)

Heaven is going to be an amazing place.

The Lord will not force His way into your life. The Lord Jesus Christ is waiting for you to receive Him. To invite Him in - He is knocking with nail pierced hands.

Will you open up to let Him in and save your soul?

It is only through believing in the Lord Jesus Christ - sinless, spotless son that you can have eternal life.

On the authority of Gods word the Bible there is no other way of Salvation (Acts 4:12). All other ways lead to Hell (Prov 14:12). Jesus said “I am the way the truth and the life” (John 14:6)

What are you doing to gain a place in heaven? It will never be enough . You need your sins forgiven. You can go to church, give money to good causes, try to be a good person, read the bible and pray every day but you have to have your sins forgiven.

“Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved” (Acts 16:31).

Salvation is available to everyone right now but only through believing on the Lord Jesus Christ.

2 Cor 6:3

Simple message - Look to the Lord Jesus Christ; Believe on Him and you will be saved.

Serious message - Outcome/destination is at stake. This could be the last time you hear the Gospel message. The last time you hear the Lord knocking at the door of your life. Don't be too late.

“Now is the accepted time behold now is the day of Salvation”.

Don't be too late.

Do you feel the urgency and seriousness of this message?

Don't be too late!