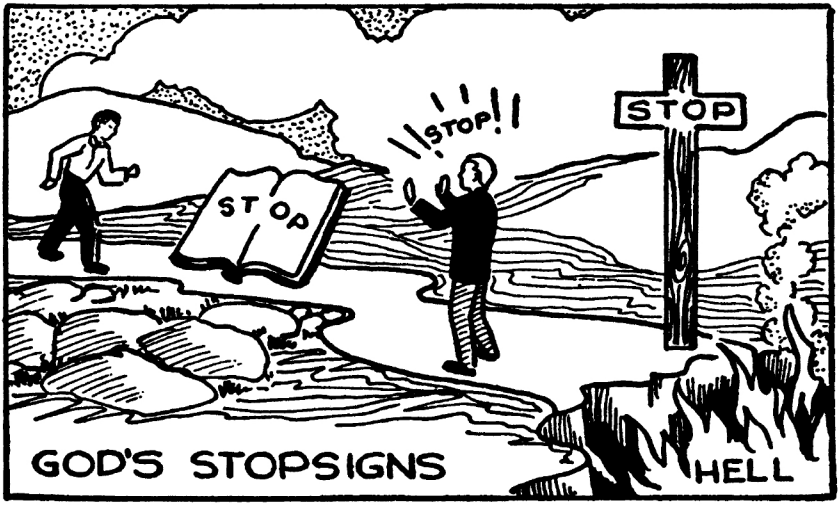
STOP!

And think "Where will you spend eternity"?



THE <u>GIFT</u> OF GOD IS ETERNAL LIFE!

HAVE <u>YOU</u> RECEIVED IT?

Jesus Christ said, "**Come unto me**, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and **I will give you rest**." Matthew 11:28

"**Seek** ye the LORD while He may be found, **call** ye upon Him while He is near: Let the wicked **forsake his way**, and the unrighteous man (forsake) his thoughts: and let him **return** unto the LORD, and **He will have mercy upon him**; and (let him return) to our God, for **He will abundantly pardon**." Isaiah 55:6,7

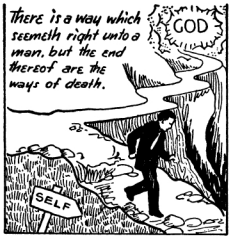
HOW can we be SURE of having ETERNAL LIFE?
We must KNOW 4 things:

1. No other Gods
2. No graven images
3. Don't take God's name in vain
4. Keep Sabbath day Holy
5. Honour your father and mother

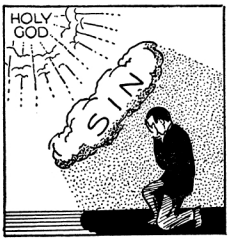
1. ALL HAVE SINNED

"For ALL HAVE SINNED, and come short of the glory of God." Romans 3:23

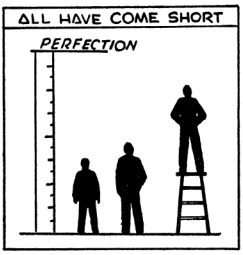
Sin is:



Putting self first



Separation from God



Coming short of God's perfect standard

6. Don't murder
7. Don't commit adultery
8. Don't steal
9. Don't bear false witness
10. Don't covet

Sin is disobeying God's Law - the Bible

- We are all GREAT SINNERS compared with the HOLINESS OF GOD.

Q1: Do you want the God of the Bible to be your God?
Q2: Do you want to turn from sin and come to God? (Repentance)

2. PUNISHMENT ON SIN IS DEATH

"For the wages of sin is DEATH; but the GIFT OF GOD is ETERNAL LIFE through Jesus Christ our Lord." Romans 6:23

"And DEATH and HELL were cast into the LAKE OF FIRE. This is the SECOND DEATH." Revelation 20:14

Explanation: Because we have all sinned,
God's Law says that we are all heading to death,
and to the Lake of Fire. This is bad news.
Neither you nor I want to go to the Lake of Fire.
Is there a way out? Yes!
God is offering us the free gift of eternal life
which we get through Jesus Christ,
not through good works or any religion.

...Death is:

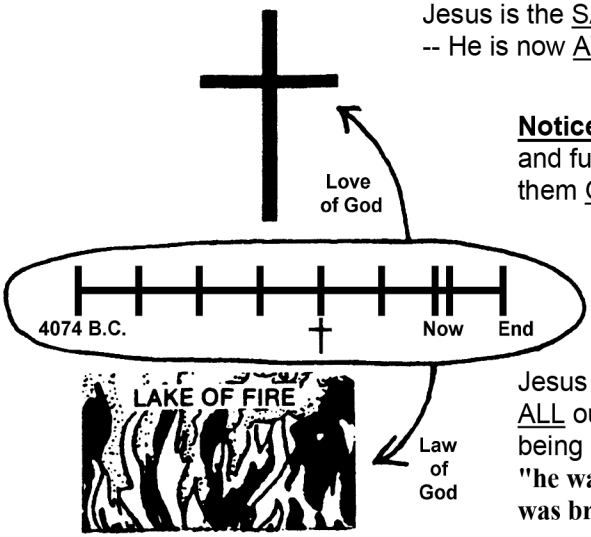
When our body dies.

"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

A gift is a free present, just take it or leave it.
Eternal life means to know God personally now,
and to go to Heaven when you die.
Therefore, the LAW of God says we should go to the Lake of Fire,
but the LOVE of God wants us to go to Heaven.
Notice how God has provided free forgiveness and eternal life.

3. JESUS TOOK ALL OUR PUNISHMENT

"But God commendeth his LOVE toward us,
in that while we were yet sinners,
CHRIST DIED FOR US." **Romans 5:8**



Jesus is the SAVIOUR of ALL PEOPLE.
-- He is now AVAILABLE to be YOUR SAVIOUR.

Notice: God took all our past, present and future sins OFF US, and placed them ON CHRIST.

"we have turned everyone to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all."
Isaiah 53:6

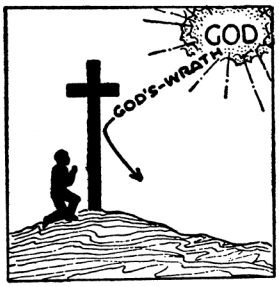
Jesus took the FULL PUNISHMENT for ALL our sins on the cross, instead of us being punished forever in the Lake of Fire.
"he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities." Isaiah 53:5

Christ is now the SAVIOUR (sin-bearer) of ALL people.
The DOOR into Heaven is now open for ALL to enter.
But HOW may we enter Heaven?
Those who:

4. (a) BELIEVE that JESUS CHRIST
- **is GOD the SON**
- **DIED FOR OUR SINS (IN OUR PLACE)**
- **ROSE AGAIN BODILY from the DEAD, then**

(b) RECEIVE JESUS CHRIST as their SAVIOUR

are given FREE FORGIVENESS and ETERNAL LIFE right now.
This means that you now accept Christ's Blood-sacrifice on the cross as the full payment for your sins, trusting Christ alone to save you, not your good works or any religion.



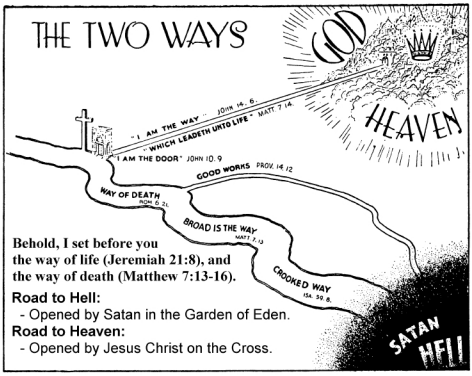
We can be SURE of this because of these promises God has given us to claim in the Bible:

Question: In these verses, what must we do and what will we become?

"But as many as RECEIVED him,
to them gave he power to become the SONS OF GOD". **John 1:12**

"For whosoever shall CALL upon the name of the Lord SHALL BE SAVED."
Romans 10:13

"He that has the SON has LIFE;
and he that has NOT the SON OF GOD has NOT LIFE.
…that ye may KNOW that ye have ETERNAL LIFE..." **I John 5:12,13**



Jesus said,
"Verily, verily I say unto you,
he that heareth my word, and
believeth on him that sent me,
hath everlasting life, and
shall not come into condemnation,
but is passed from death unto life."
John 5:24

The choice is yours: **Claim** the gift of eternal life now, by receiving Jesus Christ as your **Saviour**, telling God something like this:

- Almighty God, I have sinned against You in thought, word and deed. I'm sorry for this and I want Jesus Christ to forgive all my sins.
- I now receive you, **Lord Jesus Christ**, as my **Saviour** and my **God**, and I now **call** on you Lord Jesus, to
  – **save** me from my sins and the Lake of Fire,
  – take me to Heaven when I die, and
  – give me the **gift of eternal life** right now.
- I now open the door of my heart and life for you, Lord Jesus, to come in to be my Saviour, my Friend and my God, forever in Jesus' name. Amen

Signed: ..... Date: .....

Jesus said, **"I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish." John 10:28**

Q1: Did you call on Jesus Christ to save you from your sins? Were you honest? In Romans 10:13 what does God say you are now? What are you saved from? If you died now, where would you go? Why? Now that you are saved, do you think it is possible to lose eternal life?
See John 10:28 (above). What does "never perish" mean?

"If thou shalt **confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus** and shalt **believe in thine heart** that God hath **raised him from the dead**, **thou shalt be saved**." Romans 10:9

Q2: How can you get to know God better? Study your Bible daily (1 Peter 2:2); talk to God; attend a Bible teaching Church (Hebrews 10:24,25); tell others how Christ can save them; get baptised (Acts 10:47,48); tell someone you are saved (Romans 10:9) and live obediently for Christ.
If you decided to receive Jesus Christ as your Saviour, please write to us at the address below, so we can send you literature to help you to know Jesus Christ better.

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