

What You Need to Know

Relevant information

- destination on a trip
- outcome of a project
- use of the facility
- what it is designed to do

* There are some things in life you 'need to know' *

* Nothing is more essential to life than this message *

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1. The Problem

- Heb. 9:27 – *“Just as man is destined to die once, and after that to face judgment.”*
- Rom. 6:23 – *“For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.”*
- Eph.2:1 – *“As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins,...”*
- Rom. 3:23 – *“For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God”*

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1. The Problem

- not lack of harmony with heritage or environment, but the lack of harmony with our creator from whom we are alienated by sin!

- God's standard is Holiness

- 1Peter 1:16 *"But just as He who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do for it is written, Be holy because I am holy."*

Sin leaves us apart from God – unworthy of the relationship we were created to enjoy!

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2. The Proposal

- Eph. 2:12-13 *“remember at that time you were separate from Christ, excluded from citizenship in Israel and foreigners to the covenants of the promise, without hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near through the blood of Christ.”*

- Rom. 5:6,8 *“You see at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly....But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: while we were still sinners, Christ died for us”*

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- 1 Peter 2:24 *“He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree on the tree so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed.”*
- John 15:13 *“Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends.”*
- 1 Peter 3:18 *“For Christ died for sins once and for all, the righteous for the unrighteous to bring you to God.”*
- John 1:29 *“..the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.”*

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- God has proposed a solution to the problem
 - one you could not provide
 - one you do not deserve
 - one that springs from His love for you
 - one available to you to participate in

- John 3:16 *“For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.”*

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3. The Possibilities

a) Redemption – Rom. 6:18,22 *“You have been set free from sin and have become slaves to righteousness....But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves to God, the benefit you reap leads to holiness and the result is eternal life.”*

- Galatians 1:4 *“who gave himself for our sins to rescue us from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father.”*

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b) Forgiveness – Eph. 1:7 *“In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins in accordance with the riches of God’s grace...”*

- Col. 2:14 *“He forgave us all our sins, having canceled the written code, with its regulations, that was against us and that stood opposed to us; he took it away, nailing it to the cross.”*

- 1 John 1:9 *“If we confess our sin, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sin and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”*

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c) Justification – just as if I had never sinned!

- Rom. 8:33 *“Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. Who is he that condemns?”*

Rom. 5:17 *“For is, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God’s abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.”*

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So What

There is a Problem

God Has Proposed a Solution

The Possibilities Exist For:

Redemption, Forgiveness, Justification

The Question – Will You Accept It?