There Is a God

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

— Genesis 1:1

...what may be known about God is [plain], because God has made it [plain]. For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood from His workmanship, so that men are without excuse. — Romans 1:19-20

If there is a creation there is a Creator. Something cannot come from nothing. If the universe had a beginning, it had to have been created by something outside of it. God.

There is an Afterlife

He has made everything beautiful in its time. He has also set eternity in the hearts of men, yet they cannot fathom the work that God has done from beginning to end.

- Ecclesiastes 3:11

You can sense that there is something more than the material world, more than your present life. When you die your soul will separate from your body into a realm different than the material world we live in.

People Are Not Good

You have heard that it was said, 'Do not commit adultery.' But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman to lust after her has already committed adultery with her in his heart. — Matthew 5:27-28

Given power and a perception of zero consequences, 5 out of 5 people would commit far greater evils that they would like to think themselves capable.

The rigorously verified results of the Milgram study demonstrate that over 3 out of 5 everyday people will torture someone to death if pressured, even without threat to their own life or prior conditioning.

There Is A Judgment

We all have a feeling something is wrong with the world that must be made right.

Do not be deceived: God is not to be mocked. Whatever a man sows, he will reap in return. The one who sows to please his flesh, from the flesh will reap destruction; but the one who sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life.

- *Galatians* 6:7-8

All Men Were Destined For Hell

Each of us has become like something unclean, and all our righteous acts are like filthy rags; we all wither like a leaf, and our iniquities carry us away like the wind.

— Isaiah 64:6

Just as it would be absurd to plead your donating to charity as a defense if you were guilty of murder, we will not be able to plead our good works to God.

All who rely on works of the law are under a curse. For it is written: "Cursed is everyone who does not continue to do everything written in the Book of the Law."

— Galatians 3:10

The standard God requires of us is perfection. Every moral wrongdoing we commit is a stain on any good could muster up.

If the thought of hell scares you, if God scares you, that's good. God tells us through King Solomon, *The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom*

God Loves & Sacrificed For You

[God] forgave us all our trespasses, having canceled the debt ascribed to us in the decrees that stood against us. He took it away, nailing it to the cross!

- Colossians 2:13-14

God the Father sent Jesus to incarnate for this purpose.

The Word [Jesus] became flesh and made His dwelling among us. — John 1:14

He was born of a virgin mother by the power of the Spirit of God to a poor Jewish family, lived a life of moral perfection in word, thought and deed, and gave that most precious life up to pay for your crimes against God.

While He walked this earth He healed countless individuals, walked on water, and claimed to be the uncreated Creator of the universe and Savior of all.

For this claim He was persecuted by His own people who rejected Him and conspired to kill Him despite the countless miracles worked among them. Jesus was beaten, tortured, and sentenced to a slow and excruciating death by crucifixion, under the Roman governor of Judea, Pontius Pilate.

He Himself bore our sins in His body on the tree, so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. "By His stripes you are healed." $-IPeter\ 2:24$

But death could not hold Him. Proving He was God, He conquered death and resurrected from the grave on the third day. He appeared to Peter, then to his closest disciples, and then appeared to over 500 of his followers at once. He stayed with his →

disciples for 40 days before ascending into heaven where He sits in the place of power at the right hand of God the Father.

...when this Priest [(Jesus)] had offered for all time one sacrifice for sins, He sat down at the right hand of God. Since that time, He waits for His enemies to be made a footstool for His feet, because by a single offering He has made perfect for all time those who are being [made holy]. – Heb. 10:12-14

As the true and faithful King of Creation, to all who follow Him, He promises in this world a spiritual birth where God the Holy Spirit comes to live in you and transform you into the image of Christ that you may resemble Him in love and purity.

And the One seated on the throne said, "Behold, I make all things new." Then He said, "Write this down, for these words are faithful and true." And He told me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To the thirsty I will give freely from the spring of the water of life. The one who overcomes will inherit all things, and I will be his God, and he will be My son. But to the cowardly and unbelieving and abominable and murderers and sexually immoral and sorcerers and idolaters and all liars, their place will be in the lake that burns with fire and sulfur. This is the second death."

- Revelation 21:6-8

Say to them: 'As surely as I live, declares the Lord GOD, I take no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but rather that the wicked should turn from their ways and live. Turn! Turn from your evil ways! For why should you die, O house of Israel? — Ezekiel 33:11

I pray you would be among those that turn to **Life.**

To receive life you must repent and believe in Jesus as the crucified and risen Lord of creation

To repent is to orient your mind to God and away from wrongdoing, acknowledging who God is as your Creator, Savior, and Master. The Biblical concept of faith and belief entails placing your trust in God as Savior such that you end up living it out.

The good that comes from this doesn't save you, but because you are saved the Spirit of God empowers you to change your life out of love for God. Just as you would desire to obey good parents who love you and care for you, you will too for your God.

What do I do now?

Read the Bible often. Pray to God as your Father. Find a *Biblical* church with *true* Christians who can love you and build you up in the Savior. Share Jesus with others.

...these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in His name. — John 20:31

Rejoice at all times. Pray without ceasing. Give thanks in every circumstance, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. -I Thessalonians 5:16-18

Let us not neglect meeting together, as some have made a habit, but let us encourage one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

- Hebrews 10:25

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You were handed this because you are wanted and loved



