

A CALL TO REPENTANCE



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THE REALITY

Everywhere in the world, people can see that things are happening, and it's clear that times are changing. But one thing that everyone needs to understand is that time moves forward, and so does everyone's life. It's normal to grow older, and everyone should know no one can live forever. Everybody will have a time when their life ends. Maybe that's not the most pleasant thing to say, but that's the truth. That's where the important part comes in. Everyone will pass away due to their sinful nature, which is a consequence of Adam's actions in the Garden of Eden.

[\(Romans 5:12 BSB\)](#)

Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, so also death was passed on to all men, because all sinned.

Not surprisingly, this is what everyone on earth will experience. Some people might say it is only death. The Bible talks about what happens after death. Hebrews 9:27 makes it very clear. [Hebrews 9:27](#) [\(BSB\)](#)

Just as man is appointed to die once, and after that to face judgment

It is very clear that everyone will pass away, and the Bible says that after death there will be judgment.

HIS MERCY EXTENDED TOWARDS YOU

It is important to know that God longs to be gracious towards mankind as stated in

[2 Peter 3:9 \(BSB\)](#)

The Lord is not slow in keeping His promise as some understand slowness, but is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish but everyone to come to repentance.

God does not want any person to perish. He longs for every person to be saved.

Yes, mankind is due to make mistakes daily, but God's mercy is always available. God is not waiting on a person to punish them. He is rather eager to extend His mercy towards you as [Isaiah 30:18 \(BSB\)](#) states

Therefore the LORD longs to be gracious to you; therefore He rises to show you compassion, for the

LORD is a just God. Blessed are all who wait for Him.

God does not want to punish people; instead, He wants them to turn away from their sins.

POINT OF NO RETURN

It was made clear in the last chapter that God wants people to turn away from their sins and that He has shown unconditional kindness to them. The truth is, though, that those who don't change their ways are going to reach a point where they can't go back, which is final judgment. As was said in earlier chapters, everyone will have to die because of Adam's sin in the Garden. ([Romans 5:12 \(BSB\)](#))

Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, so also death was passed on to all men, because all sinned.

It's crucial to remember that everyone will have to face death, and then judgment will happen. This is made very clear by what we read in [Hebrews 9:27 \(BSB\)](#)

Just as man is appointed to die once, and after that to face judgment

Since sin brought death to all people, those who have accepted Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior will be able to overcome it, as it states in [1 Corinthians 15:22 \(BSB\)](#)

For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive.

Right here is where the difference that changes lives come in. There will be judgment for everyone after they die, but those who accepted Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior will have eternal life, as it says in [Matthew 25:46 \(BSB\)](#)

And they will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

The question. How did the righteous become righteous? [Romans 3:22-24 \(BSB\)](#)

And this righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no

distinction, for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God and are justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.

IT IS UP TO YOU

This short book made it clear that God cares greatly about the message of forgiveness. God doesn't want people to be condemned forever and be separated from Him and Jesus. People who wilfully reject what Jesus Christ paid for will be separated from God forever. [Matthew 10:28 \(BSB\)](#)

Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Instead, fear the One who can destroy both soul and body in hell.

[Matthew 13:42-43 \(BSB\)](#)

And they will throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear.

Matthew 13:34 says that those who demonstrate righteousness will shine like the sun. What was emphasized in the last chapter is that faith in Jesus Christ, His Son, is the only way to be right with God.

[Romans 3:22-24 \(BSB\)](#)

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God is gracious, and He will never make someone do what He wants them to do. Because of this, he has given people the power to choose. His heart for humanity is to choose life, and that is clearly stated in

[Deuteronomy 30:19 \(BSB\)](#)

I call heaven and earth as witnesses against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing. Therefore choose life, so that you and your descendants may live

There is a choice you need to make: choosing life.
Bible verses make it clear that Jesus gives life.

[1 Corinthians 15:22 \(BSB\)](#)

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REACH OUT

Only through Jesus Christ can you connect with God to inherit eternal life. [John 14:6 \(BSB\)](#)

Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

Reach out to Jesus Christ. He is ready to welcome you with open arms.

[Matthew 11:28-30 \(BSB\)](#)

Come to Me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.”

Please pray the prayer for salvation on the next page if you have read this book but have not yet accepted Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior.

SALVATION PRAYER

Dear Jesus, I come to you today believing with the utmost conviction and confession that you love me and that you died on the cross to pay for my sins.

And I believe and confess that you rose from the dead on the third day. I ask you to come into my life as my personal Lord and Savior and that you will cleanse me with your precious blood that you shed for me on the cross. I do also believe that I am now born again.