

**Satan Jesus and You**

**The Battle You Are In**

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## Foreword

Should a Christian be interested in heaven or hell?

You will be going to one of these places for a very long time after you die on earth. Perhaps you need to know what is in each place so you can work towards the one you desire to go to.

You may also want to find out the requirements of its king for getting to that place so that you will go where you desire to and not end up in the wrong place.

Once you have found the requirements of its king regarding to the place you desire to go too, you would need to adjust your lifestyle to make certain you live as the king of that place requires you to live to get to his kingdom.

If you are not fully informed about the requirements of getting to that place you desire to go to you may end up going to the wrong place because you are not living as a king required you too, to go to his kingdom. Going to the wrong place would not be a very desirable thing.

Rejecting or being indifferent to the requirements of one of the kings will mean you will end up in the other king's kingdom.

So, should a Christian be interested in heaven and hell and information about them?

Yes! So they know what is in each of these two places as well as the requirements to enter each one, so that they will not go to the wrong place they have chosen to go to when they die but to the one they chose to be with for eternity and so they can pattern their lifestyle on the requirements of the king they choose to be with.

You are the 'ham in the sandwich' between Jesus and Satan and this book is about this situation you are in.

## Definitions

**Lordship:** Obeying completely the will of a person and meeting their requirements to do so. Whichever king you do this to is your Lord and you will be with them for eternity.

**Faith:** having complete trust in a person so that you obey everything they ask and believe in everything they say.

**Holiness:** Removing all that is not of God from your life by rejecting all Satan suggests you do or offers you to do.

**Salvation:** Being removed from the authority of Satan's Kingdom to that of the Kingdom of Jesus. Entering into a relationship with The Father and Jesus that is the state of salvation (Jn 17:3).

**Redemption:** Having all that separated you from God be removed by Jesus at Calvary so you can be a citizen of His Kingdom.

**Righteousness:** The state a citizen of The Kingdom of God is in because they are in a correct relationship with God.

**Justification:** God declares we have been showed to be able to be in a correct relationship with Jesus and thus become a citizen of The Kingdom of God

**Sanctification:** God declaring that you belong to His Kingdom and setting you apart for His Purposes.

**Fellowship:** A relationship with those of The Kingdom of God where you jointly do the purpose of The King, even if it is only correctly relating to each other.

**Evangelism:** Promoting and demonstrating The Kingdom of God to those who belong to the enemy kingdom and show that The Kingdom of Jesus is superior and more worthy of belonging too than that of Satan.

It also telling them what Jesus has done for them and that God desires to have a personal relationship with each one of them and does all He can to help them get to heaven to be with Him.

**Stewardship:** Recognising that the king owns everything and that we are only caretakers of what He gives us and then correctly dealing with the things we are given so that we do with them what the king desires us to do with them.

**Spiritual Warfare:** This has two aspects:

The use of the delegated authority of Jesus to promote The Kingdom of God as well as to defend it and also attack the kingdom of Satan and hinder or stop his plans. Deliverance is a part of this spiritual warfar.

Evangelism to remove people from the kingdom of Satan to The Kingdom of God and by this plunder the kingdom of Satan.

Everything you do is in some way an expression of these things except for inactivity which really is helping Satan's kingdom as it is not promoting God's Kingdom or doing His work.

## **Introduction**

There are two kings fighting a continuous battle to the death, over the souls of every person on earth who has lived, is living and will live and which will not end until one king is removed and destroyed. You are one of the souls they are fighting over.

The objective of Satan is top make you part of his kingdom and to take you to hell with him where he will torture you because he hates human beings so much.

The objective of God is to help you get to heaven to be with Him and enjoy all the delights He has made there for you.

On one side of the battle is God (who does only what is best for people). On the other side is Satan, who knows his time is short and seeks to destroy God's creation and take to hell to be with him as many of God's created people as he can.

We, on earth, are in the midst of this fighting and are actually what is being fought over as each king tries to obtain your allegiance, so that you will be a follower of him on earth and be with him forever after you die.

You cannot escape being involved in this battle. You are either fighting against Satan, as a follower of Jesus should be doing or you are either doing nothing about the battle (and helping Satan) and may even be fighting on the side of Satan, attacking Jesus, His Kingdom and His people. There are no fence sitters in this Battle. You are either helping Jesus or by indifference helping the other side (Satan).

If you do nothing about the battle (even though you say you are a follower of Jesus), you are not obeying Jesus and will end up with Satan in his kingdom of hell.

Satan knows he cannot defeat God but does not tell this to his followers on earth. He tries to deceive as many people as he can so that they will follow him and will end up in his kingdom of hell to be ruled and tormented by him forever.

If you desire to go to heaven, you really have no choice but to follow Jesus, resist Satan and be used by Jesus to destroy Satan's kingdom, works and purposes

### **Those who do not believe in the devil**

Your opinion will change seconds after you die but then it will be too late to do anything to escape his kingdom.

Those who do not believe in the devil, or do not believe Satan can attack you, ask yourself where evil comes from. God is Love and does not tempt you to sin as that would not be an expression of His Love to you. The only alternative is Satan as the source of the evil in the world as well as all the evil that happens to Christians. Besides, God would be hypocritical if evil came from Him. He would be asking you to do certain things then doing things to stop you doing them.

### **Satan exists.**

The Bible says God is Love. Every good (Godly thing) comes from Him. To say evil also comes from God is to call God a liar and to say that the Bible has error in it.

Evil occurs as a result of Satan suggesting it to a person and that person choosing to do it. God will not go against our free will and tries to warn us what will happen if we go ahead with the action.

Every person sin when they give into the lusts (wrong feelings and desires) Satan has tried to arouse in them to cause them to sin.

Christians are a prime target of Satan, as he tries to destroy their faith in God as well as to doubt God's Love for them. Non-Christians are already in his kingdom and all he needs to do with them is to maintain his control over them so that he can use them for his purposes.

One of the greatest traps Satan has for Christians is for them to believe they are going to heaven because they declare Jesus as their lord but actually tell no one about Him or do not do the ministry Jesus has called you to do and they do not have a personal, intimate relationship with The Father and Jesus.

Jesus said that many Christians go to hell because they know of Jesus but do not have a living relationship with Him as their King.

If you love the good King Jesus, you will search out His requirements of you to the best of your ability so that you will serve Him as He desires you too in whatever He asks of you, regardless of the cost to you, because you love Him and trust what He allows to happen to you.

This expression of loving service to Jesus is how you maintain your salvation and through this make certain that you go to heaven.

### **Life is a training and filtering process**

People look at life as if it is everything, forgetting it is God's training ground to prepare you for eternity as well as to filter out those who will obey Jesus from those who will not. This is why life is so important. It is where you determine where you will spend eternity. It is also where you learn what you need to know to go to heaven or hell, as well as how to live in heaven when you get there.

Both kings try to have you follow them so you need to know what to do to successfully navigate your life and prepare properly to be forever with Jesus. This need is the main reason we have been given The Holy Spirit.

### **The two choices everyone faces**

The Bible states that Jesus is ruler of all. He is the ultimate King of all that exists with power of life and death over all things, including you, the enemy king and his followers. There is no King equal too or higher than Him.

One day you will face Him and He will look at how you obeyed His spiritual principles. In other words, the attitudes you had and what you did as a result of these with the life He gave you. According to how you obeyed God in these spiritual principles will be your eternal fate.

The denomination or similar bodies are not The Kingdom of God so obeying their teachings will not get you to heaven unless they are teaching His spiritual principles.

If you reject His will for you, you are also rejecting His spiritual principles. You will then be found guilty of rebellion against Him. The penalty for rebellion against a king is death. This means you will be cast out of His presence and sent to where those who have rebelled against Him are sent. This prison is hell, where Satan rules and where he and His Demons viciously torment all the people sent there.

But if you submit to King Jesus, and do what He asks you to do you will go to where God rules (heaven) and enjoy all the good things God has prepared for you on earth as well for you as in heaven.

### **How does Jesus fit into this scenario?**

God does not expect you to do what you do not know you need to do. This means sin is doing something you deliberately know is wrong according to the guidelines of God.

At one time or another, everyone has deliberately disobeyed God through disobeying His revealed spiritual principles taught them by The Holy Spirit to their conscience, and are under the punishment of spiritual death in hell. No one is able to bridge the infinite gap that separates finite mankind from an infinite God which results in spiritual death in hell.

God saw this problem and as He loves the mankind He created so much He sent Jesus to deal with the problem of separation from God that man had made.

Jesus came down showed mankind what God required of them, then died on the cross, sacrificing Himself in place of mankind and taking on Himself their punishment for the rebellion (sins), of everyone that has lived, is living now or will ever live everywhere in the universe. Because He is God and infinite, Jesus, through His death was able to meet the punishment of everyone that has lived, is living, or will live at anytime, anywhere in the universe. He has also met the punishment of every sin that has or will ever be committed so that we no longer will be punished for our sins if we follow Jesus as Lord and accept that He died for our sins.

This means we no longer face punishment for our rebellion, if we repent of it, and can now relate to God continually on a personal basis without the need to do anything except to accept who Jesus is (Lord of all) as well as what He did on the Cross at Calvary and then to obey Him in all He asks us to do for Him.

Now if we sin, all we need to do is too wholeheartedly repent (stop doing the wrong thing) and wholeheartedly continue to try and obey Him. Jesus has met the punishment for our sin and dealt with the spiritual consequences of them so that we no longer have to be concerned about eternal death because of our sins (providing we wholeheartedly try to obey Jesus in all He asks us to do).

All shame guilt and condemnation for anything we do wrong was dealt with at Calvary so that any of these we now have come from the devil.

Remember, God does not look at our results but our heart attitude towards Him in how we did the task He gave us.

### **So what does God require of you?**

*Mic 6:8 He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the LORD require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?*

You need to make Jesus your King (Lord), accept what He did at Calvary as well as do what God requires of you. It is when you stop trying not to sin that you risk losing your salvation. (Humble yourself to obey Him and deny your purposes for His purposes. do justice (what is right) and to show His Love (love mercy).

No matter how often you fail God, all you need to do is to wholeheartedly repent (wholeheartedly try to stop doing the wrong thing) and to wholeheartedly try and do what He requires of you.

You must trust His Love, Plans, Purposes and Control of your life and its circumstances.

You must always seek His will for you and to develop the relationship you have with him.

You are to love others with the same quality of Love with which He loves you and others.

You are to love The Father in heaven as your spiritual Father

You are to be guided by The Holy Spirit in all you do and to listen to His teaching about what God desires and requires of you.

God requires you to always wholeheartedly work at your side of the relationship that you have with Him. Then you will always have a correct relationship with the King (Jesus) and will obtain all He has promised you in heaven and on earth as well as any additional rewards you will have in heaven or earth for the service you did for Him while you were here on earth.

God looks at your attitudes for doing things and not at the results so to try wholeheartedly and fail is not a failure in the eyes of God because you wholeheartedly tried to do what is correct in His eyes.

Sometimes He may ask you to do things, which are not a sin, knowing you will fail and by this use this to judge others who reject Him.

Remember that He is always working on His side of the relationship He has with you for your best and that you have a responsibility to work at your side of the salvation relationship.

*(Phil 2:12 ERV) My dear friends, you always obeyed what you were taught. Just as you obeyed when I was with you, it is even more important for you to obey now that I am not there. So you must continue to live in a way that gives meaning to your salvation. Do this with fear and respect for God.*

Only a fool rejects what God offers them in heaven and replaces it with the temporary pleasures offered on earth by His enemy, Satan, as well as risks having all the torments that all those following Satan will experience in hell after they die.

The choice is yours and yours alone. And you will have no one else to blame but yourself if you end up in hell.



Choose wisely. Your eternal future depends on it.

Choose God and His things and live forever. Or choose Satan and his temporary things and live-in eternal hellfire after you die.

### **Why does Jesus allow people to suffer in hell?**

Jesus does not torment people in hell or cause them to go there to be tormented.

They chose to reject Jesus out of their own freewill and hell is the only place they can be sent too as they are now defiled and cannot enter a holy, undefiled heaven where Jesus is.

Jesus will not go against their free will choices that caused them to go to hell.

Satan is ruler of hell and all that happens there. For Jesus to override the will of Satan in hell, where he has been given rulership, of would make Him as evil as Satan.

Jesus must obey His principles and rules which is why, having made the rules that resulted in people going to hell, He cannot help them as that would make Him a hypocrite.

They are punished in hell because Satan takes his hatred of people out on them through torture and other evil things he does to them.

### **Why do people go to hell?**

When you examine the interplay of the two kingdoms (God and Satan's) it is obvious.

When Satan rebelled, God made hell for him to live in as Satan could not live anywhere else because all else was God's Kingdom which is holy and the defiled Satan and demons could not enter into it.

He also quarantined the solar system as it had become defiled also.

So, when man rebels against God by following what Satan suggests they should do, they come under Satan's rule and when they die and will go to his kingdom of hell. When they die, God cannot put them in heaven because they are defiled and nothing defiled can enter heaven and has only hell left for them to go to.

God did not send them to hell to be punished but sent them there because it was the only place left for them to go as they were defiled and could not go to The Kingdom of God.

God does not send people to Satan and hell. They go there because they have rejected God and cannot enter heaven.

It is Satan who torments people and not God. God did not put torments for demons in hell as it was a prison for demons and not a place of physical punishment. Humans were never meant to go there. It is Satan who has devised the torments of hell and not God because he despises humans so much.

Hell is where Satan rules and God will not interfere with what happens there as God has given it to Satan to rule.

God does not reject these people. They reject Him and have no other place to go to.

### **What's Sin?**

#### **Sin is:**

Unless you know what sin is you will not know if you are committing one.

Sin is deliberately doing what God does not want you to do and/or

Deliberately ignoring what God desires you to do

In other words, you must know it is wrong, deliberately ignore this fact and keep on doing the wrong thing for it to be a sin.

The components of sins are:

Rebellion or in difference to a command of God's

A lack of love or indifference to someone's need

Bad stewardship of a situation or object God has given you.

Sin is a result of your selfish desires, fears or coping mechanism being more important to you than your love for God, so that they control you at the time of your sin.

In a sense it is not loving God in the way you should so that Satan is able to persuade you to accept what He is suggesting.

You do not sin if you do not know the act is a sin as you are not rebelling deliberately but doing it from ignorance. However, The Holy Spirit will not give you peace over it which should be a warning sign not to commit the act.

Sin only occurs because you accept what Satan suggests you do. Ignore his suggestions, focus on Jesus and you will not sin. This why the Lordship of Jesus is so important because it keeps you focused on Jesus and more easily able to reject what Satan suggests.

The pursuit of holiness will stop you sinning as it rejects all Satan tries to have you accept to retain the holy state you have with Jesus and The father.

This is why you need to be holy as the attitude of holiness is a result of correct Lordship attitudes so that you will not want to do the sin.

God does not allow Satan to tempt (attack) you more than you are able to manage and He always provides a way to defeat the attack.

*1 Cor 10:13. No temptation has come upon you except that of the children of men, but God is faithful, who shall not allow you to be tempted more than whatever you are able, but shall make an exit for your temptation, so that you can endure.*

God does not expect you to be sinless. Only to wholeheartedly repent of any sin you know you have committed and then wholeheartedly try to live as Jesus requires you too and to fight the attack of Satan.

## **The Kingdom of God**

People say that on earth there are two kingdoms in the spiritual realm: The Kingdom of God and the kingdom of Satan. This is incorrect. The Kingdom of God has no geographic place on earth because it is in the people on earth who are the citizens of the kingdom of God, whose spirit has been regenerated by The Holy Spirit and is Holy to God so that The Kingdom is in them because The Holy Spirit's presence is in them. God is Holy and the earth is defiled. The only kingdom on earth is that of Satan and that is only because Jesus has not claimed it back yet. When Jesus comes back to claim it and rule it, then it will become His Kingdom but not the undefiled Kingdom of God). The aearth is destroyed by fire and regenerated for it to become that.

Satan was defeated at Calvary and has no longer any right to rule the earth. Satan also is a prisoner and has no right to even come to the earth. Because of this, he and his Demons can be removed and sent back to Jesus to be punished for coming to earth. Regardless of what else they are doing or claim they can do.

The only true kingdom is The Kingdom of God and the kingdom of Satan only exists as long as God allows it to exist which is until Satan and his kingdom is cast into the Lake of Fire. The defiled creation is also purified by fire and a new heaven and earth is formed in which The New Jerusalem will exist because The Kingdom of God now includes these new purified, undefiled heaven and earth.

Christians are travellers in enemy territory. Because of this they are always in a state of war. There may not be an actual battle at that time. But they must be always to be ready for one.

As a Christian in enemy territory, you should always be ready for the battle. This means you need to know how to identify an attack of the enemy and also how to deal with these attacks.

## **The two Kings**

Everything you do affects both kings in some way.

It will affect one king positively and the other king negatively.

As you do the will of one king, you will affect the will of the opposing king in some way.

As you serve one kingdom, you will affect the opposing king's kingdom in some way. Usually in a way that is negative to their plans and purposes.

The kings have different plans and purposes. The will of one king will always contradict the will of the other king.

If you ignore what Jesus requires of you, even if only by inactivity you will be serving the opposing king, Satan, and may risk losing your eternal soul.

Choose carefully which king you serve as your eternal soul's future depends on it.

What are these two kingdoms in the Battle?

They are The Kingdom of God and the kingdom of Satan. Each is an expression of the character of their ruler.

### **The Kingdom of God.**

The Kingdom of God is where God resides. It has always existed as it is where God's influence and rule is. Heaven exists in it and it is in those followers of Jesus on earth in whom The Holy Spirit's presence is in and of whom Jesus is Lord of.

### **The kingdom of Satan.**

This is hell where Satan resides. Hell was created to put the demons in it that rebelled against God. Heaven is holy, so demons could no longer stay in it as they were now defined by sin and unholy. So, God had to create a place to put the demons in, called hell. Satan was given the kingship of hell and rules all in there. Satan rules the demons that rebelled with him against God as well as the people these demons torment in hell.

Hell is only a temporary kingdom where demons are imprisoned until the final sentence is passed on them and they are flung into their final torment, The Lake of fire, where they will be confined and will no longer be free to roam creation and to attack the things of God's Kingdom.

People only go there because they are defiled and cannot go to heaven. God does not send them there purposely but because He has no other place to send them.

Creation will be renewed so that it is undefiled and demons cannot enter anything that is undefiled.

Satan still rules the world. It rightfully now belongs to Jesus as part of the spoils of war but He has not returned to claim it yet. Meanwhile, Jesus uses His People to be a steward of it on His behalf until He returns to rule it.

You are only steward of what Jesus has given you responsibility to care for it on His behalf and not the whole world.

In a sense we are a third kingdom, because we have free will to choose what we desire to do. According to which king we choose to align our kingdom with will be determined our eternal future.

### **The kings and their opposing forces**

<b>Rulers</b>	<b>God</b>	<b>Satan</b>
<b>Spiritual warriors</b>	Angels of God	Evil angels of Satan (Demons)
<b>People in the Battle</b>	Citizens of The Kingdom of God	Followers of Satan (future citizens of hell) and those who call them Christian but do not do what Jesus tells them to do.
<b>Advisor</b>	The Holy Spirit	Demonic guides

People are the combatants on earth and the target of both kings.

There are no fence sitters in this battle. You either serve God or serve Satan. There are no fences to sit on as there is only one kingdom on earth, that of Satan and Christians are only travellers through it.

You can see the importance of being guided by The Holy Spirit as you are always in this war by virtue of living in enemy territory so need His guidance to survive successfully.

### **The purpose of the two kings**

#### **God**

*“Jer 29:11 For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.”*

The purposes of God is to develop you to be the best you can be and through this to prepare you for heaven.

*Joh 10:10 The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.*

The purpose of God is to restore what He is able too, to what it was like in the Garden before man sinned. But He cannot restore hell as that now belongs to Satan and is defiled and unholy. All He can do to remove the influence of Satan and his demons is to destroy them and hell (which He does in the lake of fire).

*“Matt 18: 11 For the Son of man is come to save that which was lost.:*

He desires to serve you in any way that will help you relate to Him and avoid hell. He even came to earth and died to help you in this.

*Mark 10: 45. “ For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.”*

His objective in coming to earth was to teach, preach and demonstrate the Kingdom of God so that you would know what God requires of you to get to heaven and avoid hell. He then died at Calvary to redeem us and make it possible for us to do what He told us to do and gave us the authority to control Satan in this battle.

It is how you relate to Jesus that will determine whether or not you end up in heaven or hell!

*Joh 3:14 And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up:*

*Joh 3:15 That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life.*

*Joh 3:16 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.*

*Joh 3:17 For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.*

*Joh 3:18 He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.*

*Joh 3:19 And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.*

*Joh 3:20 For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved.*

*Joh 3:21 But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God.*

Jesus did not come to condemn people. But to teach them what God desired that they know about how we are to relate to Him and how we need to live if we want to go to heaven and avoid hell. But we must desire His truths if we want to live as He requires us to live if we want to go to heaven (Jn 8:32).

And He sent The Holy Spirit to teach us what He desired us to know and do.

*Joh 16:13 Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.*

## **Satan**

Satan's purpose is to destroy your relationship with God while you are on earth so that you will be with him in hell forever until you are thrown in the lake of fire with him and the evil angels (demons/devils).

*Jn 10:10 "The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy..."*

*1 Pet 5:8. Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:*

This is why our worldly environment reflects Satan's values in the hope it will hide Jesus, His Kingdom and His purposes and requirements from us. This is why we need to reflect (think about) what is around us to sort out Satan's things from God's things. This is why we are told:

*1Pe 5:9 Whom resist stedfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world.*

Evil does not come from God. He is Love and does only what is good for us. This is why we know Satan is real as he is the only one left to give us evil thoughts and desires.

### **The attitude of both kings to Salvation**

God looks at our salvation relationship with Him and designs the circumstances of your life to help you draw closer to Him in this relationship as well as to prepare you for eternal life with Him.

Satan looks at your salvation relationship to God and tries to destroy or hinder it so will have eternal death with him.

### **Satan's attitude toward you**

Satan is all hate. It is said he was jealous that God made people and that is the reason he rebelled. So, when man was made, Satan's full attention was given to destroying the people God created and the creation they were in which God loves so much.

Satan is described as a thief (who steals your eternal life) and Jesus as a life giver (the one who gives it). This shows the difference between them. Satan comes to destroy mankind and all God has for them. Jesus comes to restore them to God and give them all the good things God has prepared for them.

Satan is called a thief as he does his work secretly so mankind will not know it is happening. Just as a thief does things secretly, so Satan does them secretly.

He seeks to steal you from God and tries to steal from you all the good that God has prepared for you now and in heaven.

He seeks to kill you spiritually so that when you die you will go to hell for him to rule and torment.

He seeks to destroy all God does through you as well as all God does anywhere else. God uses people and if Satan can stop them being used by God it hinders the work of God and His Kingdom on earth.

Jesus can rescue you from Satan's attacks and plans if you desire Him too and prevent Satan from ever hurting you again.

### **So what has Satan actually done for mankind?**

Through his attack on Adam and Eve in the garden, he caused mankind to lose everything God had prepared for them as well as their relationship with God. This meant that when they died, they would go to hell and not be with God in heaven.

Jesus negated this damage for all who follow Him as Lord.

Satan seeks to destroy every person on earth and remove their peace and joy as well as to have them be his subjects in hell.

Jesus removes the damage Satan has done to a person if you follow Him as Lord. Jesus is only your Saviour if He is your Lord of everything in your life.

Jesus saves you from Satan and his workings, making it possible for you to be in heaven with Him. But you must wholeheartedly try and follow Him as your Lord.

Jesus does not look at how you succeeded but at how you followed Him (the attitudes you had in doing what He asked you to do for Him)..

You can see by The Character of the two kings that Satan is not the best king to follow and that in Jesus is found all the good that God has for you.

The character of the two kings are expressed as follows

<b>God</b>	<b>Satan</b>
Love	Hate, lust, indifference, merciless, inconsiderateness
Joy	Joylessness, sorrow, misery, depression
Peace	Fear, anxiety, worry, stress
Longsuffering	Impatience, rushing things, hastiness
Gentleness	Abuse, roughness
Goodness	Doing evil/wrong things, bad conscious towards people
Faith	Unbelief, doubt, uncertainty
Meekness	Pride, arrogance, control freak,
Temperance	Lack of-self-control, inconsiderateness, intemperance, legalism, perfectionism

The character of God seeks to build people up. The character of Satan seeks to destroy them by negating any goodness n them.

### **Satan's legal Rights.**

In Spite of what Satan tells people, he has no rights of any kind on earth, legal or other.

The only rights he can have are those Jesus gives him.

At Calvary, Satan was made a prisoner by Jesus and paraded before the entire spiritual world for them to see this. As a prisoner he no longer has any legal rights or authority outside of hell.



His demons no longer have any rights on earth, or a right to visit earth. What Satan has been able to do on earth is a result of people accepting what he suggests to them to do as well as the Christian church ignoring the battle and letting Satan do what he desires to do.

Even when Satan convinces you to accept what he has suggested to you he still has no rights to you or anything else on earth. It is you who give him a right by voluntarily accepting what he suggests and by this becoming his follower until you repent of accepting what he offered.

When you reject his offer, he has to leave when commanded to do so in the Name of Jesus.

Satan may be king of hell, but he is still a prisoner and has to do what Jesus, or those Jesus has delegated the authority too, command him to do when it is the Will of Jesus.

## **Heaven and hell**

These are real places. People have been taken there by Jesus and have returned to tell us what Jesus showed them. If Satan takes you there you do not return.

The visions of hell are frightening and horrifying and when you see what demons do to people in hell, no sensible person in their right mind would want to go there and would do all they could not to go there. These visions are on the Internet. All you have to do is search for them.

Only correct attitudes too and correct interactions with the good King Jesus will help you resist what Satan offers and stop you going to hell. The Lordship of Jesus helps you in this which is why it is so important as does faith and holiness.

For those who believe these are hallucinations: None of the people giving these accounts have mental illness or their testimony would not be on this web site. Most do not know each other to be able to collude in this matter.

The fact that many people who have never met or read what each other saw, all say the same thing means that these cannot be hallucinations because of this but must have an underlying spirit behind these narrations. Of course, this Spirit can only be The Holy Spirit.

## **The warning to lukewarm Christians**

From Revelation Chapter 3

*1. "And to The Messenger who is in the assembly of Sardis write: Thus says he who has The Seven Spirits of God and the seven stars: I know your works and the name that you have, and that you are alive and are dying."*

*2. "Be vigilant and confirm what remains of those things that are ready to die, for I have not found you such that your works are perfect before God."*

*3. "Remember how you have heard and received; take heed and return. But if you do not wake up, I shall come upon you as a thief, and you will not know which hour I shall come upon you."*

4. *“But I have a few names in Sardis, those who have not defiled their garments, and they walk before me in white and they are worthy.”*

5. *“He who overcomes in this way is garbed with a white garment, and I shall not blot out his name from The Book of Life, and I shall confess his name before my Father and before his Angels.”*

They had salvation and eternal life because their name was written in The Lamb’s Book of Life. But they rejected Jesus as Lord and did not obey Him and knew they were doing it. So they were unrepentant and were in danger of losing their salvation.

This is one test that shows predestined salvation is wrong as according to this theory you would not lose your salvation whatever you did as you would not do wrong.

### **What the Bible says about Hell and Visions of Hell**

(Luke 16:19)

*There was a rich man that dressed in purple and fine linen, who enjoyed luxurious living every day. In front of his gate a beggar named Lazarus was placed, covered with sores, and hungering to be fed crumbs that fell from the rich man’s table. Even the dogs came and licked his sores.*

*The beggar died and was carried by the angels to Abraham’s bosom. The rich man also died and was buried, and while suffering tortures in Hades, he looked up and from a distance saw Abraham with Lazarus in his bosom. So he called out, "Father Abraham, take pity on me and send Lazarus to dip his finger tip in water and cool my tongue, for I am tormented in this fire".*

*But Abraham said, "Son, remember that you enjoyed the good things in your lifetime while Lazarus had the bad things; now he is being comforted here but you are suffering anguish. Besides, there is a great chasm fixed between you and us, so that those who want to cross from here to you are unable; neither can they cross from your side to us.".*

The Bible, the word of God, is very clear about the subject of heaven and hell. In this portion that we have just read, the Lord tells us about two places: Heaven and Hell. There is no intermediate place.

Visions of intermediate places such as Limbo and Purgatory cannot be proof because Satan can make these places exist and take you to them even though in reality they do not exist.

If you can imagine the foulest, ugliest, least peaceful, most dangerous, evil, most unpleasant place on earth, then you have caught a small glimpse of hell.

### **Does God send people to hell?**

Jesus does not send people to hell. Those that go to hell choose what Satan offers and reject what Jesus offers or requires of them. They may say they follow Jesus but do not do what He requires of them.

It is to be remembered that the torments of hell are devised by Satan and not by Jesus.

Jesus has given rulership of hell to Satan. So Jesus will not do anything against Satan's rule of hell. This is why He says to people in hell. "*I cannot help you*".

God gives everyone all they need to choose between Him and Satan. Not to do this would mean He is not a God of Love and not impartial.

Those who know of Jesus and His requirements are judged on how much they know of them and the attitude with which they carry them out.

Those who do not know of Jesus or understand His requirements will be judged on what they did with what The Holy Spirit told them in their conscience God wanted them to do.

No one has any excuse for being in hell. They are there because of choices they made that were against what God required them to do to get to heaven.

For those who believe the torments of hell are not forever

*Matt 18:8 "But if your hand or your foot subverts you, cut it off and cast it from you, for it is better for you that you enter life as lame or as maimed, rather than having two hands or two feet, that you would fall into eternal fire."*

Jesus plainly says that all in hell will be cast into the lake of fire for eternity. Argue with Jesus.

### **For those who believe you can still be saved in hell**

Jesus has taken people to hell and has been heard telling the people in hell He cannot help them. They chose Satan's lifestyle and he is now their ruler and is the only person who can release them from hell. Jesus has given rulership of hell to Satan and for Jesus to take people from hell without Satan's permission would make Jesus as evil as Satan.

There is also the problem that if they are released from hell there is nowhere else for them to go.

Satan also has no means of redeeming them so that they become undefiled and can enter a holy heaven. Besides, Satan seeks to put his evil pleasure on them through his torments and has no plans to release any of them. Even if he could!

Jesus also said it was impossible to pass from hell to heaven.

*Luke 16;26. 'And along with all these things, there stands a great abyss between us and you, so that those who would pass from here to you are not able, neither is whoever is there able to pass over to us.'*

### **Satan's fall**

Satan rebelled against God in heaven and because of this rebellion could not stay in heaven but was cast down to earth. It is believed he fell after the sixth day of creation because at the beginning of the sixth day everything was perfect.

When Satan left God, he lost all love and compassion and now only knows hatred, maliciousness and mercilessness.

Some believe he did not like God's creation of man which is why he went and deceived Adam and Eve to sin. Ever since then he has spent his whole energy in destroying what God has done and taking as many of mankind to hell with him as he can.

Hell is an expression of the character of Satan and his demons which is why you do not want to be involved with them while you are on earth.

### **His training of the church**

At various councils of Satan ideas were discussed on how to remove the threat to Demons by those who knew their authority over Demons. Some suggestions were:

Guide the teaching of theology so that its teachings would become compromised and would cause no problems to Satan and his demons. An example is the casting of doubt on the ending of Mark 16 being in the original writing of Mark and which is the only place we have been delegated authority over Satan. By this Satan causes doubt on our ability to overcome him through the delegated authority of Jesus which is the only real weapon we have against Satan (carried out in modern bibles).

Cause Bibles to become corrupted with error that was not obvious, so that truths became compromised, blurred or hidden and the truths of The Bible could not be easily used against Satan and his demons (carried out in the new 'improved' Greek used for translation).

Cause denominations and churches to exist, so that The Body of Christ was divided and The Kingdom of God hidden. This meant that the work of God would not be done because the denomination or church became the focus of their activities and not The Kingdom of God (this is the current situation).

Hide the role and anointing of The Holy Spirit so that people would not be led by Him to do the work of God. Only what man thought was God's Will would be done (the reformation did this for Him by removing the work of The Holy Spirit from the church by teaching about Him but not what His activities really were).

Hide God's Love so that people would not appreciate it as well as what God has done for them as a result of it so that they would not desire to serve God out of love but joylessly as their duty (Legalism in the denomination does – obey or be cast out of it).

Make Demons and hell irrelevant to Christians so that no one would bother about them. A consequence of this would be that Christians would not bother to tell others about hell or fight Satan and his Demons (this is the current state when it is doubtful many Christians would even be able to do this).

Make Christians believe Demons cannot attack them once they follow Jesus as Lord. They would not fight Demons believing it was not necessary and would give natural causes and a person's emotions or reason as the basis for conflict and disease (This has happened as hell, demons and deliverance are not preached these days and psychiatry seems to be the way of dealing with what is actually caused by demons).

People casting out Demons from Christians were to be ridiculed by those believing Christians could not have Demons and would be considered mentally ill or not rational if they continued in this ministry.

To those believing in deliverance, it would be made to appear difficult and dangerous, being practiced by only a few very spiritual people after years of training and study and at times needing an official licence or qualification from a denomination or church to practice it.

It was agreed to follow these ideas which they have successfully implemented in the Christian churches today.

## **Hell**

Hell is where Satan, the most evil, sadistic king, who hates humankind and whom he seeks to destroy and torment them, has his kingdom.

He tries to cause as much pain, sorrow and fear as people are able to endure, then adds more of these to torment them even more.

Unlike on earth God does not limit what he can do to people.

It is not a place to go to when you die.

## **Where is Hell?**

From deep well holes and from what people have seen hell appears to be in the earth.

You will only really know when you either get there or see it from heaven but it is described as the pit of hell so must be in or near the earth's surface and many talk of going down a tunnel into the earth

## **Choices**

The Christian life is a life of choices for or against the requirements of God. You alone make these choices and you will have no one else to blame for not choosing to obey God.

It is up to you to study the Bible to see what God requires of you just as it is up to you to decide whether or not to do it. In fact, God commends people who study The Bible (Acts 17:11)

This earth is used by God as a training ground and a place to sort out those that will serve him from those that will not. This is the place where you will prepare for eternity and it is up to you how you prepare for this as well as the rewards you will have in eternity.

Those that obey God will go to heaven. Those that obey Satan or are indifferent to the requirements of God will go to hell.

Death is not a restarting of things but a transition to another place where you continue to serve, develop and mature as a citizen of The Kingdom of God or suffer the torments of hell. It is like stepping through a door from one room to the other and the other room is heaven or hell.

The choice of rooms is yours and no one else.

### **The importance of your obeying Jesus.**

Your level of belief in the things of God will determine the level at which you pursue them or obey them.

Wholeheartedly try to obey Jesus and you go to heaven otherwise you go to hell so you need to learn what Jesus requires of you. Thus the commendation by Him of people who study The Bible and do not apply it.

### **God's perspective is the important one**

You must always look at things in the way God looks at things. So that you will apply His values and requirements and not be influenced by Satan's way of thinking which is expressed in the world system and values which are around you all of which are a result of Satan's attempts to take you away from Jesus.

If you do not know how God's principles and values apply to a situation, then ask The Holy Spirit. He has been sent by God to guide you in all the things you are to do with God as well as to teach you what you need to know to be able to do them (Job 32:8, Jn 16:13, Jn 7:17)

When the Bible is not clear you should not reason, react, argue, assume or respond from habit but ask The Holy Spirit what to do.

### **Holiness**

*Heb 1s: 14. Run after peace with every man, and after holiness, without which no one shall see Our Lord.*

### **Holiness and The Kingdom of God**

God and His Kingdom are pure and undefiled and so we have the following command:

*1 Pet 1:16. Because it is written: "Be holy, just as I also am holy."*

Holiness must be our response to Salvation and should be a result of sanctification. It is separation from all aspects of the enemy kingdom and the embracing of all matters relating to The Kingdom of God and our King, Jesus. It is an attitude of being wholly (holy) for Jesus and His Kingdom through separating yourself from all that is not of God or His Kingdom.

*1 Cor 1:30. But you also are from him in Jesus The Messiah, he who has become for us the wisdom of God and the righteousness and the holiness and the redemption,*

All are redeemed – Jesus died for all the Bible says (Heb 10:10). But only those who voluntarily call Him Lord and obey Him are saved and redeemed. They are in a righteous (correct) relationship through accepting what Jesus offers them and are doing what He requires of them. As a result of this relationship, He sanctifies them (sets them apart for His purposes).

These ‘sanctified’ people then pursue Holiness, setting themselves apart for Jesus and His purposes as a loving response to what He has done for them.

It is for the sake of this holiness and the work God desires to do in them that people work at the salvation they now have through their faithful obedience to Jesus. They do not work to obtain salvation but to preserve it, maintaining it through obedience to their King (Rev 3:5) out of love for Him and what He has done for them.

Because of this attitude Jesus sanctifies them (sets them apart as being His own people and does all He can for them).

Holiness is a response of gratitude for, appreciation of and thankfulness to God’s without which (holiness) we cannot approach or serve God.

**One of the definitions of Holiness is as follows:**

*“Hallowed; consecrated or set apart to a sacred use, or to the service or worship of God; a sense frequent in Scripture; as the holy Sabbath; holy oil; holy vessels; a holy nation; the holy temple; a holy priesthood.”*

There are only two kingdoms. No man-made structures or organizations exist in the spiritual realm on earth. Denominations, associations, home churches, etc., do not exist in the spiritual realm. Only the Body of Christian believers does. You belong to one kingdom or the other. The kingdom to which you separate yourself is the one whose purposes and objectives you accept and serve. It is the one to which you are “holy” too and whose purposes and values you will pursue. You cannot be in both kingdoms at the same time – there are no fence sitters in the spiritual realm.

Jesus said in Matthew 6: 24:

*No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon (Mammon is a demon of wealth).*

The word ‘mammon’ means ‘riches’. So, you cannot serve God and your desire for riches trusting in them instead of God.

**Holiness and Protection**

When we belong to The Kingdom of God, living completely as a citizen of The Kingdom should, we are in a state of holiness and worship. Satan can find nothing in us to accuse us of sin and has no right to attack us. This Lordship attitude is our protection in ministry which is why holiness and worship through our life are such a part of being a citizen of God's Kingdom. It is this relational position to Jesus and The Father that protects us.

The attitude demanded for holiness (rejecting everything Satan offers us and taking it to the obedience of Jesus) also protects us.

As we develop greater intimacy with God our pursuit of holiness intensifies and helps us to desire what is necessary to develop our relationship with God further resulting in a greater dedication (holiness) too and security in God. This will also mean that trials will increase as they need too to continue to mature and develop us.

This is because the more we understand about Jesus and see His Character the more we desire to be like Him.

### **Without holiness we cannot see God.**

We are told to pursue holiness which means seeking the Will of Jesus and obeying Him as well as seeking increased intimacy with Him. Before you desire to do the things of a person you must first desire the person.

To do this you need to focus on Jesus in all you do as He expresses the Will of The Father and guides us through the Holy Spirit.

If you are a citizen you should automatically seek the will of the King and the furtherance of His Kingdom as it is best for you and your King

Your attitude is:

*2 Cor 10:5 Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;*

Without holiness we are not protected from the rulership of Satan. Holiness is an act of Lordship and if Jesus is not Lord of any area of our life it is no longer holy to Him and we are vulnerable to Satan in that area. He will attack us in that area. But if Jesus is Lord and we are holy to Him in that area then there is nothing in us of Satan's kingdom for him to use to attack us. He has to suggest to us that there is and hope we accept the suggestion so Satan has something in us to use.

This is why, after deliverance, demons will suggest thoughts that imply you do not have deliverance in the hope you will accept them and by this negate the deliverance.

In other words, he tries to deceive us to accept his lies so we will sin and be vulnerable to his attacks.



The attitude of holiness helps remove the things Satan seeks to use to attack us because of the requirements to be holy making the removal of these things necessary to stay holy so that there is nothing there for Satan to use to attack us.

Without holiness we cannot really serve Jesus as we should. It is because we love Him and understand who He is (Lord of all) that we worship Him, of which holiness is a part. The problem is not just to try and serve Him but to serve Him as He desires us too. The attitude of holiness helps us in doing this. It is also necessary to be guided by The Holy Spirit in this as well.

Worship is a result of our lifestyle objective of seeking to obey and serving Jesus because of our love for him. It is a lifestyle that brings constant praise to Jesus by our attitudes and actions.

### **Holiness in Summary**

Unless you seek Jesus and His Kingdom how can The Holy Spirit reveal its secrets to you?

Unless you seek to deepen the relationship you have with Jesus and The Father how can God mature you into His Character?

Unless you seek God's Plans and purposes how can He trust you to serve Him and Minister on his behalf

Unless you truly seek God how can you be holy.

If your home truly is in heaven you will focus on its King (Jesus) and His purposes setting yourself aside for The King and His Will. You will reject all that the enemy offers in this world.

This is called the pursuit of holiness.

The concept behind holiness is that of being separated for a spiritual purpose. In this case the purpose is the service of God (and the worship that results from this).

Holiness is a voluntary choice and is not forced on you by God and is strengthened as you develop greater intimacy with God.

Holiness is an attitude of a person that desires God's Purposes and Plans above their own because they realize that these are better for them than anything they can think of themselves. This desire is an act of worship.

We are told to be holy (separate ourselves from the manners, desires, plans values and purposes of Satan's world system) not because it a legalistic requirement but because we cannot serve God as we should while the attitudes of Satan's world system are within us or being followed by us.

You cannot pursue the things of God or Satan at the same time.

There is a simple principle. Whose rules you follow dictates where you end up in eternity. If you follow the way of holiness you end up in heaven. If you follow the way of Satan, ungodliness/unholiness, you end up in hell. This is why God says to be holy as He is Holy. It is for our sakes and not His and unless we are holy, we cannot be like Him so that the defilement we will have stops us entering heaven.

Holiness is an integral part of the Christian walk. Develop it if you would be used by Jesus and also be with Jesus after you die.

In summary: How does holiness fit into the scheme of things?

Jesus died for all so the price of our redemption has been paid. We need to accept what He has done and voluntarily follow Him as our Lord (King) to assimilate this redemption. He becomes our redeemer; declares we are righteous (in a proper relationship with Him) then sanctifies us (sets us apart for His purposes). Our response is holiness, setting asides our purposes to do His purposes. As we do this it also becomes an act of worship of Him so that our life becomes a continual act of worship.

We also pursue His Quality of Love, expressing it to others which is how it is developed in us.

### **Worship by life.**

As you seek to be holy in all you do your attitude will be one of unwavering obedience to the Lordship of Jesus. This is an act of worship because through this attitude you are declaring He is worthy to be desired and obeyed and by this judge the angels that disobeyed (demons) Him and The Father.

You will fail at times because you are not perfect. But all God requires is repentance and for you to keep on trying. Wholeheartedly trying and failing is acceptable. Not trying is not and you will end up in hell. Besides, God knows we are dust and will fail which is why He gives you a chance to repent.

Confessing sins is not repentance. Trying not to do the sin is.

As long as you wholeheartedly try to do His Will then failure is not important as your attitude is correct towards Him and you are trying to obey Him.

Accordingly, a life of holiness is a life of continual worship through our wholehearted, loving obedience to Jesus and a result of this is a life that brings continual Glory to God by demonstrating He is to be praised and worshiped because of who He is and because of the works He does, has done and will do for you whom He Loves in a way greater than you can realise.

### **Attitudes to have in the battle**

It is important to show God's quality of love in all you do. If you love in the way He does and do all as a result of this quality of love you will always do what He requires of you (Jn 13:34-35) even though at times you will not succeed.

You must submit yourself completely to the Will of Jesus (Rom 12:1-2). If you believe God is Love you will do this as it will be best for you. Trust His Love, as whatever He allows to happen to you will always be for your best (Rom 8:28).

There are no accidents with God! All happens for a purpose.

Seek Jesus and His things in all you do (Col 3:1-2). Your objective should be to seek God's Will in all you do and develop the relationship you have with each member of The Trinity (Matt 6:32-34, Jn 17:3).

You must work at your side of the relationship you have with God and seek to maintain the obedience this requires (Phil 2: 14-15).

Your thoughts must always be pure and wholesome (Phil 4:8, Matt 12:36).

You must always be guided by the Holy Spirit in all you do (Rom 8:14, Jn 16:13).

You must serve Jesus as He desires you too, encouraging others to do what He requires of them (Heb 10:24-25) doing His work (Jn 4:34). Remember they should see Jesus as the originator and Empowerer and you as a faithful servant. The moment you become the main character then you are into idolatry.

You must believe God rewards His followers that all you did for God on earth was worth doing. You must believe it will be all worthwhile and that all the rewards you have in heaven will be worth all you suffered on earth (Heb 11:6.)

You must endure to the end and finish the work God has for you on earth (1 Cor 15:58, Matt 24:13).

You must realize that when you affect another Christian or non-Christian, you really affect Jesus and His Kingdom (Matt 25:40).

### **The attitudes expanded.**

The basic attitude is unswerving, loving, obedience to Jesus. Jesus must be ruler of all you do. He does not ask you to obey Him out of fear of going to hell but out of love, thanksgiving and appreciation for what He has done for you. But you must admit the thought of going to hell is one of God's best incentive programs.

In John 14:15 He specifically stated:

*"If you love me, keep my commandments."*

Love is the basis of all Christian obedience and "Love for Jesus" is the basic attitude for the expression of all other attitudes of the Christian life.

In fact, Jesus summarised it all in this interchange:

*Mat 22:35 Then one of them, which was a lawyer, asked him a question, tempting him, and saying,*

*Mat 22:36 Master, which is the great commandment in the law?*

*Mat 22:37 Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.*

*Mat 22:38 This is the first and great commandment.*

*Mat 22:39 And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.*

*Mat 22:40 On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.*

We are also told:

*(Rom 13:10) Love worketh no ill to his neighbour: therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.*

**In other words, Loving as God loves meets all God's requirements of obedience.**

God's type of Love is the expression of The Spirit of God living in you and is expressed as: joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance (Gal 5:22-23). It is through these expressions of God's type of Love to others that God shows His character through you and develops it in you.

The Christian life is the expression of the love relationship you have with Jesus and The Father and is guided by The Holy Spirit.

*Rom 12:1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.*

*Rom 12:2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.*

Because of what Jesus has done for us, we should submit our self to Him.

Jesus redeemed us and paid the price God required to remove from us all the spiritual punishment for our sins that would have resulted in our going to hell. In other words, He delivered us from going to hell and removed the requirement to sacrifice to God for our sins. He also removed the defilement of sin that prevented us entering The Kingdom of God and approaching God personally,

Because of this, we are always able to be in a proper relationship with God so that The Holy Spirit can be in us and we can always approach God and also we can be continually in His presence and hear Him continually as long as we wholeheartedly try to obey Him and repent of any sin we do.

Our primary reason for submission to Jesus is the love, thankfulness and appreciation we have toward Jesus for what Jesus did for us at Calvary as well as what He is doing for us now on earth and will do for us in heaven.

We are told also to focus on the things of Jesus and to reject all that Satan offers us through the world system he controls and which is designed to blind you too Jesus, His requirements and His Kingdom and to distract you from these and guide you away from the things of Jesus (called pursuing holiness).

We need to change our attitudes and thoughts so they are changed from the ways we used to think (based on what we saw in the world around us) to that with Jesus desires us to focus on.

*Col 3:1 If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God.*

*Col 3:2 Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.*

*Col 3:3 For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God.*

*Col 3:4 When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory.*

We are to focus on the Will of Jesus for us. It is He who is our ruler, who, through Calvary, freed you from the punishment of sin and the bondage Satan had over you. So, if we are a follower of Jesus, we will focus on His requirements of us.

Your mind should be occupied solely with His teachings and His will for you. To focus on the things the world (controlled by Saturn) offers you, is to take your eyes off what Jesus requires of you. So that you may end up disobeying Him in an area or no longer be a follower of Him. The more your mind is filled with the things of God the less space Satan has to put his thoughts in it.

Paul wrote to Titus:

*1Ti 4:13 Till I come, give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine.*

*1Ti 4:14 Neglect not the gift that is in thee, which was given thee by prophecy, with the laying on of the hands of the presbytery.*

*1Ti 4:15 Meditate upon these things; give thyself wholly to them; that thy profiting may appear to all.*

This attitude of Lordship and its expression in maintaining holiness is the best protection you have against the attacks of Satan.

You no longer should be in control of your life as you have offered it to Jesus to be Lord of. So, that now, your future hope and plans are tied up with the Will of Jesus for you.

*Mat 6:31 Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed?*

*Mat 6:32 (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things.*

*Mat 6:33 But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.*

*Mat 6:34 Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.*

You should always be seeking the will of God and to improve the relationship you have with him. After all, salvation is a relationship (Jn 17:3) and all relationships need to be developed in some way. You should not be concerned about your needs as God promises to provide all you need if you focus on His Will and developing the relationship you have with Him. In fact, v34 is almost a command not be concerned about the future, which you will not be, if you trust completely God's plan, preparation and provision for your life.

*Eph 2:10 (ESV) For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.*

God has a plan for your life and has prepared for you a life to live but it is up to you to live it. If you wholeheartedly try to do this (do His Will) you will go to heaven.

Satan uses his world system to try and distract us from God's Love, plan and provision for our life, so you will worry and be anxious. If you believe in God and His Love for you Satan cannot get you to do this. You will trust God for your needs and not worry about them or be anxious about anything.

Only in this attitude of complete trust in God's Love, Control, Purposes and Plans for you is their true peace and contentment. This is a result of having no anxiety or worry because you know God is in control and whatever happens is for your best.

If Satan can get you to not trust God's Love toward you, he can torment you. You must trust God completely, or He is not your Lord!

*Php 4:6 In nothing be anxious; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.*

*Php 4:7 And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall guard your hearts and your thoughts in Christ Jesus.*

*1 Peter 5:7. And cast all your cares on God, for He takes care of you. (or as the AV says: He cares for you).*

We are told to give your fears, worries and anxieties to Jesus to be Lord of as He will deal with them and help you work through them. This is one reason we have been given The Holy Spirit for, to guide us through the problems we have here one earth (Jn 16:13).

If you trust Jesus and His Love, you will ask him to help you. After all, that is what friends are for and Jesus is the best friend you will ever have.

Remember you have been spiritually adopted by The father into His family so Jesus is also your spiritual step brother and that is another reason for obeying Him – to help a relative in His work in His Kingdom.

When you wholeheartedly follow Jesus as your Lord, The Father in Heaven adopts you as His son and then you are not just a friend to Jesus, but He is now your brother through your adoption by The Father.

This is why you need to learn to spend time with Jesus and The Father. After all, who does not want to spend time with their beloved father and step brother?

If you love Jesus, you will spend your time developing your side of the relationship. You will take whatever steps are needed to do this.

You will learn whatever you need to learn. You will do whatever you need to do. You will spend with Him whatever time is necessary to do this. You will also pay whatever cost is necessary to maintain your salvation.

You will always trust that God is always working for your best so that you will never complain about what He is allowing to happen to you. You will trust His Love for you in whatever circumstances He allows to happen to you. He is Control of all your circumstances and Satan can do nothing to hinder Jesus in this.

The Holy Spirit is your guide and is the person God has sent to help you in your Christian life. You will need to be able to hear his guidance and teaching as well as to trust this guidance and teaching. He also loves you and does all that is for your best.

*Job 32:8 But there is a spirit in man: and the inspiration of the Almighty giveth them understanding.*

*Jn 16:13. "But whenever The Spirit of The Truth comes, he will lead you into the whole truth, for he will not speak of his own will, but he shall speak whatever he shall hear and he shall reveal the future to you."*

*Rom 8: 14. For those who are led by The Spirit of God, these are the sons of God*

Remember that the promise is to guide you into **all** truth and not just spiritual truth so that when you have a problem of any kind. You can always ask His help to solve it.

*Phil 4: 8. Therefore, my brethren, those things that are true, those that are honorable, those you will be justified and by your words that are righteous, those things that are pure, those things that are precious, those things that are praiseworthy, deeds of glory and of praise, meditate on these things.*

*Matt 12: 36-37. But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment. For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned.*

Every wrong word you say you will need to explain to Jesus why you said it. This is the verse that scares me the most in The New Testament.

If you are guided by the Holy Spirit, your focus will only be on good things that come from God and not on the things of Satan. You will also express the good in these through your life to others.

If you love Jesus, you will only say and do things that promote the King and His Kingdom accepting only thoughts that do this and rejecting all of Satan that would hinder doing this in your life:

*Heb 10:24-25 (LITV) And let us consider one another, to incitement of love and of good works, not forsaking the assembling together of ourselves, as is the custom of some, but exhorting, and by so much more as you see the Day drawing near.*

You will also think of how Jesus desires you to serve others. We serve Jesus our King, and He tells us whom He wants us to serve as well as how He desires us to serve Him and when and how to serve them. Remember:

*Mat 25: 40 And The King answers and says to them, 'Amen, I say to you, as much as you have done to one of these my little brothers, you have done that to me.'*

Jesus says that whatever we do to others we do to Him. It is Him we obey and show His quality of Love as we serve others. So how we express His type of Love to others is how we affect the demonstration of His quality of Love to them. He is their King. And what we do to the subjects of a king we do to the king.

Every person is a child of The Father so what we do to the child we do to God.

*Heb 11: 6. But without faith, no one can please God, for who ever is brought near to God must believe that he exists and that he is the rewarder of those who seek him.*

As we serve God, out of Love for Him and those we serve, He has rewards for us. He asks us to believe He will reward us through doing all He said He would do for those who wholeheartedly follow Him (Heb 11:6).

Faith must trust God and part of this trust is in Him rewarding us for this service we do to him, even though He, as a King, does not need to reward us for the things He commands us to do.

*Matt 24: 13 But whoever will persevere until the end will have life.*

*1 Cor 15: 58. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.*

He requires us to finish all He asks as too do and to endure all Satan does to us. By this we will show our love for Jesus and that He is our Lord and will judge Satan who is trying to get us to reject God and rebel against God..

Develop the habit of being guided in all things by The Holy Spirit

If you are guided by The Holy Spirit, you will never argue, reason, react or assume anything to do about God and His Will for you or others. These are habits Satan desires you to have as he tries to train you to react first rather than ask God what to do. This is so he can control your response to things and use your response for his purposes.

Satan tries to build up attitudes and habits in you so that you will automatically react, or think the way he wants you too in a situation.

This is why you always ask The Holy Spirit what to do so that you know what God desires you to do in that situation.

Get into the habit of asking The Holy Spirit about situations and problems and listening to His advice before you comment on anything. He promises to guide you into all truth and not just spiritual truth. Learn to listen as you do your daily chores and activities and He will speak to you about things you need to know or do. Always walk around with one ear listening to The Holy Spirit and seek to be always in a right relationship with Jesus so you do not block hearing The Holy Spirit.

There is a warning about hearing The Holy Spirit. If you desire something excessively, Satan can give you an answer. Because you desire it so much, you will not hear God's Spirit and



you will have peace when you should not have it. To avoid this, you must not desire something so much that it becomes an idol as then Satan can mislead you concerning it.

### **So, what are we to do for Jesus?**

We are the representatives of Jesus and His Kingdom and are to proclaim, teach and demonstrate His Kingdom and its Character on earth to all who do not follow Him or know Him personally.

Jesus said (summarizing His last statements before He rose into heaven).

“All power (authority) is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

*Go ye therefore, and teach all nations,  
Baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:  
Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you  
And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in My name among  
all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.  
He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be  
damned.  
And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they:  
Cast out devils;  
They shall speak with new tongues;  
They shall take up serpents;  
And if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them;  
They shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover*

and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.”

As you can see, Jesus desires us to tell others about His Love for them, what He has done for them, as well as what He can and will for them as well as teach them how to receive these things and obey Jesus in the doing of His Will. He also desires us to demonstrate that His Kingdom has come to earth by its authority over Satan, his things and the natural world.

Evangelism is primarily telling others that God desires a personal relationship with them and then telling them what God has done for this to happen.

If you Love Jesus and believe in who He is you will do this for Him.

Nowhere in The Bible, the only place that can say these things are no longer necessary, is there a statement saying we no longer have to do them.

The supposedly best Greek codices do not have this passage in them authorising this delegation. However, they were originally in them and it can be shown were removed by some person from both of them before they were published. So that to say this passage was not in the originals is not true.

The demonstration of the Authority of Jesus over Satan and his things is the only evidence we have that Jesus is greater than Satan and is God because Satan can copy nearly every miracle Jesus can do.

Do not be concerned if you do not know how to do these things. The Holy Spirit promises to teach you all you need to know how to do these and will bring people and information to you to help you to learn about doing this in the way Jesus desires you to do it. But you must desire to do these things. Also, God will never ask you to do anything He has not prepared you to do unless it is for the purpose of learning something and even then He will prepare you so that you can learn what He desires to teach you.

If you are able to do these things but do not bother too when Jesus asks you to do it, then you risk going to hell, unless you repent and do them. If you do not do them then you have rejected Jesus by rejecting what He has asked you to do.

If you deny Him or knowledge of Him in any way, you have also rejected Him. Unless you repent and tell others about Him, you will lose your Salvation (Rev 3.5). He will reject you before the Judgment Throne of The Father (Matt 10:33) so that you cannot go to heaven. The only other place you can go to is hell.

There are many people in hell that rejected what Jesus desired of them to do, yet still called themselves Christians (implying they were His followers).

How you deal with these attitudes is up to you. You have free will and it is your choice what you do with it. So, you will have no one else to blame if you disobey God and end up in hell.

The race is not to the swiftest, or to the smartest or the most intelligent. It is to those who humbly obey and endure to the end in all Jesus asks them to endure.

Your race is individually tailored for you (Eph 2;10) and you will be judged on how you ran the race Jesus asked you to run and not someone else's race.

If you love people as The Father loves them. You will always have before you their eternal destiny and good. And you will have one ear on the Holy Spirit to see what God wants you to do or say to them (if anything).

You do not Minister to all but only those God asks you to Minister too. And then you only say or do what he desires you to say or do for them.

This is why you must always be guided by The Holy Spirit. So that you will always be ready to do or say what God desires you to do or say and minister only to those you are suppose too.

### **Stewardship.**

The Christian life is a life of stewardship. What God has given you to be steward of you must protect from Satan. The best way to do this is too:

Firstly make sure that Jesus is Lord of every aspect of your life including that which He has given you to be steward of which you are to use only for the purposes of His Kingdom.

Secondly to attack every Demon that is attacking you, regardless of the area they are attacking.

This means you need to:

Know what God has made you steward of before you can defend it.

Know what you need to do to defend the things God has made you steward of.

To not to defend what you are steward of is disobedience to God. If you do not defend it Satan can damage it, destroy it or take it from you.

Remember! Satan's purpose is to destroy what you are steward of so that it cannot be used for the purposes of The Kingdom of God.

### **Trials**

God allows trials for four purposes:

To show Satan you are worthy of the ministry God has called you too. This is when Satan is allowed to test you, usually in a way that tests you to your limits and by this maturing you and preparing you for a ministry.

To mature you to a greater level so God can use you more

To draw you back to the path prepared by God from before creation but have now diverted off. Repentance is necessary for this to occur.

To bring Glory to God by using it to judge another and also show you are righteous at the same time. God knows you will fail at times but uses this for His purposes so when you do His Will do not be concerned about the results they are spiritually His problem not yours and He will help you deal with any results of the trial.

Only as you correctly endure and fulfil the test God is putting you through will you be matured and prepared the way He needs you to be for the ministry He is preparing you for. When you pass the trials that do this for you, Jesus will declare before Satan that you are worthy of what He is to give to you to do and Satan will not be able to complain about your delegated ministry authority.

Trials are a sign of God's Love for you so that you should never complain about the trials you are going through. To do so is to doubt His Love and control.

### **Preparation for heaven**

Life is not just service to God. Through this service and the trials associated with them, God prepares you for life in heaven with Him. You need to develop on earth the attitudes you will have in heaven as part of the preparation for living in heaven.

In heaven you no longer need to demonstrate the authority of The Kingdom of God over Satan and his works. What is left is how you demonstrated the love of God to others.

So, on earth, the primary lesson is on how to demonstrate God's type of love to God and others. The authority of The Kingdom being just one of the ways you demonstrate God's type of Love in you as you minister to others.

### **How do they live in heaven?**

All is driven by love for Jesus and each other and each serve each other in love, speaking no harsh or rejecting words and finding nothing too trivial or humbling for the purposes of serving another with no concern for what people think about them as there are no evil attitudes in heaven.

There is respect for each other and there is no race or social hierarchical structure (Gal 3:28). All are equal in ministry, whether male or female. No one is in control of another but mentor them and serve them in the way Jesus asks them to serve each other.

All are guided by The Holy Spirit in all they do. It is a little like a bee hive where all serve with one mind in a coordinated fashion.

This is our pattern for ministry upon earth and relating in the way God desires us to relate to each other.

God owns everything in heaven so there is no ownership of things or a striving to own things. All are stewards of all that is in heaven as well as what God gives them specifically to be stewards of.

We need to serve here as they do in heaven if we are to prepare here for our eternal life in heaven.

### **God loves you as you are**

God is a God of Love. If He did not love you as you are or He would be a hypocrite. This is why when you are criticized by a person check to see if they are correct and make any changes necessary and if they are wrong ignore them and forgive them. God is your judge not them. The Holy Spirit will tell you what is right and how to deal with it.

God knows your potential and seeks to develop you so that you will reach it and be the Citizen of the Kingdom that you are able to be.

It is ironic that, when in a trial, He seems so far away and uninvolved. But He is honing and pruning you and using the circumstances to make you a better and more useful citizen of His Kingdom, removing from you that which is in you that does not belong to His Kingdom.

The Christian life is really God helping you to reach your full potential as a citizen of the Kingdom, to prepare you even better for life in eternity with Him.

The mark of a Christian is that in everything they do, they demonstrate God's Quality of Love.

Your life objective should be to know the Will of The King, Jesus, and to carry it out in His quality of Love.

This will result in the maintenance of your salvation relationship with Jesus and The Father.

When you look at the visions of hell people have seen Jesus point out many in hell who called themselves Christians, but who did not do what Jesus required of them.

To be a follower of a person you must practice what they teach as well as do what they require of you.

Unless you are wholeheartedly doing what Jesus requires of you or at least wholeheartedly trying to do what Jesus requires of you, then you are not following Jesus and will suffer the fate of all those that do not follow Jesus.

### **The role of the Body of Christ (The army of God on earth).**

The body of Christ is not the same as a denomination, church or similar. People in denominations and churches do not necessarily belong to The Body of Christ. Only citizens of The Kingdom of God belong to The Body of Christ so that The Body exists in heaven and on earth in the citizens of The Kingdom of God and cannot be contained by a denomination, church or similar. People in denominations may be Christians but being a denominational member does not make you one.

On earth, The Body is Christ's army to:

Attack Satan and his Demons,

Destroy the plans of Satan,

Destroy his infrastructure,

Destroy his kingdom through people being transferred from that to The Kingdom of God,

Demonstrate the authority of Jesus over Satan and his works as well as the lifestyle of The Kingdom.

Help each other with problems

Nurture each other to a greater spiritual maturity

Show God's Glory in all they do. After all, it only occurs because He has prepared them for it and empowered them to do it.

If you are not doing any of these things, perhaps you may not belong to The Kingdom and The Body and need to find out why, as only those in The Body go to heaven.

As long as you are wholeheartedly trying to live for Jesus as He requires you to or are wholeheartedly learning how to, you are doing all Jesus requires of you to get to heaven and be a part of His Body.

### **How effective have denominations and churches been in this battle?**

If they were examined by their results, most would have difficulty in being categorized as being a follower of Christ and thus Christian.

Jesus said its citizens would do certain things:

They would cast out demons

They would speak with languages they did not know and others would understand what they were saying (like Peter did just after The Holy Spirit fell at Pentecost).

They would heal the sick

They would teach others about what Jesus had done for them and do the work of The Kingdom. They would train those that came to them, either as new Christians or Christians desiring to help them mature in Jesus

People doing these things are followers of Jesus. People learning these things to prepare for doing them are also followers of Jesus

You are only required to do what you know of these activities when asked by Jesus or to try and learn about them so you can do them in the way He requires you to do them.

God is Love and unless you Love Him and others as He Loves you. Then doing these things will be a burden and not a task of Joy and of love for Jesus and the person He asked you to minister to on His behalf.

In many ways it can be seen that the church has lost the battle when it stopped demonstrating the authority of The Kingdom and stopped talking about it. This demonstration of The Kingdom is an integral part of what Jesus told the Church to do and many do not do it which is one reason the passage commanding these things is removed from modern bibles. It is easier not to have this passage in The Bible when you do not believe in it.

### **Keeping your freedom**

*Psa 119:9-11 BETH. Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed thereto according to thy word. With my whole heart have I sought thee: O let me not wander from thy commandments. Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.*

*Joh 8:31-32 Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.*

*Joh 16:13 Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.*

*Joh 7:17 If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself.*

*Joh 8:31-32 Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.*

It is one thing to be free and another to keep your freedom.

The way to stay sinless is to obey God, which means He must be your ruler (Lord). It also means you must study what He requires of you for Him to be your Lord. If you desire to wholeheartedly obey Him then The Holy Spirit will guide you teach you and help you in this objective.

You also need to be able to know when Satan is attacking and how to repel an attack of his.

This studying to be approved by God is so important He commended people for doing it (Acts 17:11).

### **The Five Facets of The Christian life**

There are five facets to walking as God desires you too in your role as a Citizen of The Kingdom of God and a member of His Body.

You must make Jesus Lord of all you do out of Love and desire to obey Him

You must learn the truths He requires you to learn by wholeheartedly studying His Bible and listening to the instruction of The Holy Spirit.

You must learn how Satan attacks and how to repel his attacks as well as how to destroy any of his works you come across.

You must learn how to be guided by The Holy Spirit in all you do and learn to walk with one 'spiritual ear' on Him always.

You must never doubt God's Love, Purposes, Plans and promises to you as Satan tries to remove you from God by having you doubt these.

God is Love and whatever He does for you is for your eternal best which is more important than your needs on earth.

Now to comment on the first two of the above five points.

### **Keeping Jesus as Lord of all you do**

Jesus is your King and your objective is to do what your King requires of you, if you are to stay a citizen of His Kingdom. He tells you through The Holy Spirit's presence in you what He desires you to do for Him on earth, how to do it, as well as where and when to do it. Only as you obey Jesus will you keep your gift of eternal life and remain a citizen of His Kingdom.

There is the warning in Rev 3:5 of those who are lazy in doing His will. They will lose their salvation. (Be blotted out of The Lamb's Book of Life).

*Rev 3:5 He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels.*

Ask The Holy Spirit to guide you, teach you and strengthen you as you strive to be a good Citizen of The Kingdom of God (Job 32:8, Jn 16:13) and pursue the holiness necessary to do this.

This means you need to learn how to hear Him and know when it is Him speaking.

You also need to study The Bible so you know what Jesus requires of you.

It is your responsibility to read, study, memorise and meditate on The Bible and not anyone else's responsibility. It is only as you do these daily activities and apply them to your life, will God's Word become a part of you and change you from the inside out. You also need to check The Bible to see if what others say is correct. There are many who do not fully believe it in positions of responsibility in The Christian faith and you need to be certain that what they tell you is really true.

*(Act 17:11) These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so.*

In regard to trusting God, His Plans, Purposes, Control and Love: If Satan can get you to doubt any of these, then he is on the path to winning the battle for your soul in that area. And as long as he can get you to doubt God's Love, the easier for him to make you subject to his control of your mind.

### **Defeating Satan**

Satan must have you accept what he suggests for you to sin so that the easiest way to defeat him is not to accept the incorrect thought, feeling, emotion or sensation. This means you must know what God says is wrong and be sensitive to The Holy Spirit when He is trying to tell you it is wrong by giving you a lack of peace over the thought, suggestion, emotion or feeling.

So, when you have a thought, feeling, emotion or sensation you know is wrong then:



Tell it to go in Jesus' Name to the Lord Jesus to be dealt with

Repent of anything you need too

Ask The Holy Spirit to take its place.

The easiest way to stop temptation is to reject it when it starts and by removing the demon behind it you stop them from continuously tormenting you in that area. So any future temptations are from a different demon whom you need to also remove.

### **To get to heaven or hell.**

To get to hell, you do what Satan suggests and deliberately ignore what Jesus desires you to do ignoring the fact that Jesus and not Satan is the one who decides your eternal fate.

To get to heaven you do what God says to do and ignore what Satan suggests you do.

You cannot wholeheartedly follow both kings at the same time. You will compromise your belief system if you follow one king and bits from the opposing king.

Jesus said that It is either one or the other, The King whom you choose to follow will determine your eternal fate. The one you are following when you die is the one to whose kingdom you will go too.

### **Conclusion**

Now you know about the battle between the two kingdoms, what each king offers each of their followers, as well as what you are required to do by the good King, Jesus. You need to decide which king you will follow.

A man would be a fool to follow Satan and experience the torments Satan has for them when they die and end up in his kingdom under his rule because they valued some temporary pleasure or imagined authority more than Jesus and what Jesus had promised them after death.

Jesus offers you much more in heaven, where there is endless joy, pleasures and delights. All He requires is for you to deny all Satan offers you and to embrace Jesus and what He desires of you and for you to make certain He is The Lord of all your life and the focus of anything you do!

Eternity is a long time to miss out on what Jesus offers you while enduring the torments Satan places on you.

The choice is yours: Jesus or Satan!

As you now know all you need to make this choice you will have no one to blame but yourself for where you end up in eternity.

I have chosen Jesus. I recommend you do the same.