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<p>IT IS POSSIBLE TO BE ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN YOU ARE GOING TO GO TO HEAVEN!</p> <p>The Bible says you can know the certain things that are true, and that you may know that you have eternal life. (1 John 5:13)</p> <p>How do I know? In order to discover this certainty, we must first understand some things about God and about man.</p> <p>What are some character qualities that come to mind when you think about God?</p>	<p>GOD IS LOVE... AND HE IS HOLY!</p> <p>The Bible says many times that God is love. He loves us personally and deeply. (1 John 4:8) But God is also holy, or perfect, in every way. (1 Peter 1:16)</p> <p>That means He is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pure "There eyes are like pure black obsidian." (Habakkuk 1:11) • Righteous "The Ten Commandments are His perfect standard of right and wrong." (Psalm 119:142) • Just, Fair "He won't accuse any of the guilty unjustly." (Romans 2:13) <p>Now, what are some character qualities that come to mind when you think about people?</p>
<p>PEOPLE ARE NOT LIKE GOD - WE SINE</p> <p>The basic of sin is an attitude of being independent and refusing to rely on God and what He says. This results in breaking or ignoring the laws of God.</p> <p>For example, ask yourself: "There's been some sinners in action or thought!" ...but I've been obedient! ...I haven't caused anyone to stumble! ...I have something that wasn't "invented" (invented by sinners)!"</p> <p>The conclusion: "We all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." (Romans 3:23)</p> <p>What is the result of breaking God's laws?</p>	
<p>DEATH SEPARATION FROM GOD BOTH NOW AND ETERNALLY</p> <p>"The wages of sin is death." (Romans 6:23)</p> <p>The separation from God now, resulting in spiritual death. This separates from the righteous and righteous in the life to come.</p> <p>If all sinners are from God, having life, it will continue to separate us from Him. The final punishment for sin is called eternal death - hell.</p> <p>"They will be punished with everlasting destruction and shut out from the presence of the Lord and from His holy city." (1 Thessalonians 1:9)</p> <p>What can we do to save ourselves?</p>	
<p>NOTHING!</p> <p>Because God is holy, His nature is not sin. Compared to His standard of perfection, even our best thoughts and actions fall short.</p> <p>For sinners begin the rebellion and get involved in just one petty breaking of it's. (James 2:10)</p> <p>And because God is holy and just, He must punish anyone who is guilty of breaking His laws.</p> <p>God never punishes sin because He is holy, but He wants to rescue sinners from sin.</p> <p>How did God solve this problem?</p>	
<p>GOD HIMSELF, IN THE PERSON OF JESUS CHRIST, DIED IN OUR PLACE.</p> <p>The Christ died for sinners for all the righteous, a living sacrifice to God. (1 Peter 2:24)</p> <p>"The God who made this world has also made us, and we are all sinners. Christ died for us." (Romans 8:3)</p> <p>God is a self-sacrificing love who died in our place. When I love, as our substitute, willingly suffered the punishment of death in our stead. Because of His death and resurrection, God can now offer eternal life as a free gift.</p> <p>Does everybody receive this gift?</p>	
<p>NO, ONLY THOSE WHO BELIEVE IN JESUS CHRIST RECEIVE ETERNAL LIFE.</p> <p>"The God of our world that He give His reward only to those who believe in Him who do good because eternal life." (John 3:16)</p> <p>True believing is more than simply an intellectual understanding of certain facts. It involves:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A realization that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I have broken God's laws and as a result deserve His judgment. • There is nothing I can do to remove the guilt and penalty of my sin. • The death and resurrection of Jesus Christ is the only solution for my sin. 	<p>TRUE BELIEF INVOLVES...</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Believing Jesus Christ into my life by putting my faith and trust in Him alone. <p>"For it is all about faith, in those who believed in His name, He gave the right to become children of God." (John 1:12)</p> <p>"And this is the testimony that God has given concerning His son, who has given us eternal life, and His gift to us is His Son, who makes us free from all unrighteousness." (1 John 1:9)</p>
<p>YOU MUST MAKE A DELIBERATE CHOICE IN ORDER TO RECEIVE JESUS CHRIST</p> <p>You can simply talk to God (pray) and express:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That you are a sinner. 2. That the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ is the only solution for your sin. 3. That you are placing your trust in Jesus Christ alone. 4. Thanking Him for His forgiveness and the gift of eternal life. <p>Does this express your desire?</p>	
<p>IF YOU ARE NOW TRUSTING IN JESUS CHRIST, YOU HAVE ETERNAL LIFE!</p> <p>Jesus said: "I will give the freely, whoever does not want and believe that who says we have eternal life and will not be condemned, for the second way their death is life." (John 3:16)</p> <p>Receiving the gift of eternal life is just the beginning of a wonderful relationship with God. You may have questions. If you do, we are available to help you.</p>	<p>If you would like more info on how you can know for sure you are going to heaven, please contact Bill Young at: bill@experiencetherock.com or check out the web at www.experiencetherock.com</p> <p>God bless you!</p>