

Is it a sin to ask God to kill me? I dislike life.

God gave you your life and He has a purpose for every child He created. He gave you life and He alone has the right to take it from you. There can be times of difficulty and you can honestly say your feelings to God. He understands.

In the Bible, Elijah faced the same.

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2 Then Jezebel sent a messenger unto Elijah, saying, So let the gods do to me, and more also, if I make not thy life as the life of one of them by to morrow about this time.

3 And **when he saw that, he arose, and went for his life**, and came to Beersheba, which belongeth to Judah, and left his servant there.

4 But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a juniper tree: and he requested for himself that he might die; and said, It is enough; now, **O Lord, take away my life; for I am not better than my fathers.**

5 And as he lay and slept under a juniper tree, behold, then an angel touched him, and said unto him, **Arise and eat.**

6 And he looked, and, behold, there was a cake baken on the coals, and a cruse of water at his head. And he did eat and drink, and laid him down again.

7 And the angel of the Lord came again the second time, and touched him, and said, Arise and eat; because the journey is too great for thee.

8 And he arose, and did eat and drink, and went in the strength of that meat forty days and forty nights unto Horeb the mount of God.

9 And he came thither unto a cave, and lodged there; and, behold, the word of the Lord came to him, and he said unto him, What doest thou here, Elijah?

10 And he said, I have been very jealous for the Lord God of hosts: for the children of Israel have forsaken thy covenant, thrown down thine altars, and slain thy prophets with the sword; and I, even I only, am left; and they seek my life, to take it away.

11 And he said, Go forth, and stand upon the mount before the Lord. And, behold, the Lord passed by, and a great and strong wind rent the mountains, and brake in pieces the rocks before the Lord; but the Lord was not in the wind: and after the wind an earthquake; but the Lord was not in the earthquake:

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They who are God's without reserve, are in every state content; for they will only what He wills, and desire to do for Him whatever He desires them to do; they strip themselves of everything, and in this nakedness find all things restored an hundredfold.

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What is the absolute best method to give us eternal life so far?

And **this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ**, whom thou hast sent. – John 17:3

Heaven and Hell exist.

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God has created you with a purpose. Let Him fulfill that purpose through you and realise the fact that you are precious to God and its a fact. Don't look at feelings,

but trust the fact that God loves you more than you think.

From Streams in the desert devotional

I have learned, in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content (Philippians 4:11).

Paul, denied of every comfort, wrote the above words in his dungeon.

A story is told of a king who went into his garden one morning, and found everything withered and dying. He asked the oak that stood near the gate what the trouble was. He found it was sick of life and determined to die because it was not tall and beautiful like the pine. The pine was all out of heart because it could not bear grapes, like the vine. The vine was going to throw its life away because it could not stand erect and have as fine fruit as the peach tree. The geranium was fretting because it was not tall and fragrant like the lilac.

And so on all through the garden. Coming to a heart's-ease, he found its bright face lifted as cheery as ever. "Well, heart's-ease, I'm glad, amidst all this discouragement, to find one brave little flower. You do not seem to be the least disheartened." **"No, I am not of much account, but I thought that if you wanted an oak, or a pine, or a peach tree, or a lilac, you would have planted one; but as I knew you wanted a heart's-ease, I am determined to be the best little heart's-ease that I can."**

*Others may do a greater work,
But you have your part to do;
And no one in all God's heritage
Can do it so well as you.*

They who are God's without reserve, are in every state content; for they will only what He wills, and desire to do for Him whatever He desires them to do; they strip themselves of everything, and in this nakedness find all things restored an hundredfold.

Am I beautiful? Am I looking presentable and attractive today?

These are questions most of us think almost every day. As a matter of fact, ***Beauty is in the eye of the beholder.***

Have we ever thought whether we are beautiful in the eyes of God?

God says – The Lord seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the **Lord looketh on the heart**. Our beauty is something which fades as years pass by. It's a fact that as we age, our physical beauty diminishes.

God doesn't evaluate as humans perceive what is beautiful. God looks at the heart.

It's God who gave us a form when we were conceived in the mother's womb.

Psalm 139

13 For thou hast possessed my reins: thou hast covered me in my mother's womb.

*14 I will praise thee; for **I am fearfully and wonderfully made**: marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well.*

15 My substance was not hid from thee, when I was made in secret, and curiously wrought in the lowest parts of the earth.

*16 **Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being unperfect; and in thy book all my members were written, which in continuance were fashioned, when as yet there was none of them.***

17 How precious also are thy thoughts unto me, O God! how great is the sum of them!

All our physical characteristics were designed by God and we are wonderfully made in our mother's womb. So our physical form is God given and was shaped while we were in our mother's womb.

What God perceives as beauty is the purity of our heart.

Favour is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised. Proverbs 31:30

As a jewel of gold in a swine's snout, so is a fair woman which is without discretion. Proverbs 11:22

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Proverbs 20:9

..For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders,

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God loves us, he is our creator and our Father. – It's a fact and it doesn't change on whether we feel or not.

and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, **and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me.** – John 17:23

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No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day. – John 6:44

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Regarding stating facts :

Why there must be a God?

Nature is so beautiful. The beauty of the rivers, flowers, sea, sun, moon , stars, rainbow just reveal the majesty of the Creator. The human body itself is so complex and at the same time functions so perfectly in sync. The different types of cells in our body, the composition of the cells, even the minute components within the cells having distinct function it all reveals the infinite wisdom of the creator.

A dish just doesn't come together in the kitchen. No where we see machines getting assembled by itself. Even in the automotive or aerospace industry, the assembly lines are carefully planned and designed. A thing of order is the result of someone acting behind it. Any explosion just results in a mess, not in anything so orderly. The earth has been rotating on its axis for the same time, for many centuries. If the earth choose to change its direction of rotation, or duration for revolution the mankind would be widely impacted. But seasons still come at the destined time.. just showing it's all scheduled by the Creator.

After the great flood at Noah's times, God said

While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease.

The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork.

But **the Lord is the true God, he is the living God**, and an everlasting king:

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Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools,

And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things.

To The Unknown God. Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship, him declare I unto you.

God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands;

Neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though he needed any thing, seeing **he giveth to all life, and breath, and all things**;

And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation;

That they should seek the Lord, if haply they might feel after him, and find him, though **he be not far from every one of us**:

For in him we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said, For we are also his offspring.

Forasmuch then as we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Godhead is like unto gold, or silver, or stone, graven by art and man's device.

And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth

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Because he hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained; whereof he hath given assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the dead.

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Nevertheless he left not himself without witness, in that he did good, and gave us rain from heaven, and fruitful seasons, filling our hearts with food and gladness.

There is a living God who is behind the existence of the creation..

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come.

And when those beasts give glory and honour and thanks to him that sat on the throne, who liveth for ever and ever,

The four and twenty elders fall down before him that sat on the throne, and worship him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying,

Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.

Who is God?

God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth. – John 4:24

In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

God revealed Himself as

Hear, O Israel: The Lord **our God is one Lord**: – Deuteronomy 6:4

13 And Moses said unto God, Behold, when I come unto the children of Israel, and shall say unto them, The God of your fathers hath sent me unto you; and they shall say to me, **What is his name?** what shall I say unto them?

14 And God said unto Moses, **I Am That I Am**: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, **I Am** hath sent me unto you. – Exodus 3

6 Thus saith the Lord the King of Israel, and his redeemer the Lord of hosts; I am the first, and I am the last; and **beside me there is no God**. – Isaiah 44:5

5 **I am the Lord, and there is none else, there is no God beside me**: I girded thee, though thou hast not known me:

6 That they may know from the rising of the sun, and from the west, that there is none beside me. I am the Lord, and there is none else.

7 I form the light, and create darkness: I make peace, and create evil: **I the Lord do all these things**.

8 Drop down, ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness: let the earth open, and let them bring forth salvation, and let righteousness spring up together; **I the Lord have created it**.

9 Woe unto him that striveth with his Maker! Let the potsherd strive with the potsherds of the earth. Shall the clay say to him that fashioneth it, What makest thou? or thy work, He hath no hands?

10 Woe unto him that saith unto his father, What begettest thou? or to the woman, What hast thou brought forth?

12 **I have made the earth, and created man upon it**: I, even my hands, have stretched out the heavens, and all their host have I commanded.

Through out the Old Testament and similarly in Jewish Torah and Tanakh (Hebrew Bible), God reveals Himself as one and there is none beside Him.

There is no doubt there is only ONE GOD - The true living God.

In the new testament its described about **Jesus** ,

1 In the beginning was the Word, and **the Word was with God, and the Word was God.**

2 The same was in the beginning with God.

3 All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.

4 In him was life; and the life was the light of men.

14 And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

17 For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by **Jesus Christ.**

18 No man hath seen God at any time, the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him.

John 8

57 Then said the Jews unto him, Thou art not yet fifty years old, and hast thou seen Abraham?

58 **Jesus** said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, **I am.**

John 10

24 Then came the Jews round about him, and said unto him, **How long dost thou make us to doubt? If thou be the Christ, tell us plainly.**

25 Jesus answered them, I told you, and ye believed not: the works that I do in my Father's name, they bear witness of me.

26 But ye believe not, because ye are not of my sheep, as I said unto you.

27 My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me:

28 And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand.

29 My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to

pluck them out of my Father's hand.

30 **I and my Father are one.**

31 Then the Jews took up stones again to stone him.

32 Jesus answered them, Many good works have I shewed you from my Father; for which of those works do ye stone me?

33 The Jews answered him, saying, For a good work we stone thee not; but for blasphemy; and because that **thou, being a man, makest thyself God.**

34 Jesus answered them, Is it not written in your law, I said, Ye are gods?

35 If he called them gods, unto whom the word of God came, and the scripture cannot be broken;

36 Say ye of him, whom the Father hath sanctified, and sent into the world, Thou blasphemest; because I said, I am the Son of God?

37 If I do not the works of my Father, believe me not.

38 But if I do, though ye believe not me, believe the works: that ye may know, and believe, **that the Father is in me, and I in him.**

6 **Jesus** saith unto him, **I am the way, the truth, and the life:** no man cometh unto the Father, **but by me.**

7 If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also: and from henceforth ye know him, and have seen him.

8 Philip saith unto him, **Lord, show us the Father,** and it sufficeth us.

9 Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? he that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Show us the Father?

10 Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.

11 Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me

for the very works' sake.

2 John

9 Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son.

22 For the Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son:

23 That all men should honour the Son, even as they honour the Father. **He that honoureth not the Son honoureth not the Father** which hath sent him.

24 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; **but is passed from death unto life.**

There is only One God – One being in Three persons – The Father , The Son Jesus Christ and The Holy Spirit.

Three persons, but one God.

Can a man at the same time be a Son, a Father and a Husband?

A man is the Son of his mother.

The same man is a husband to his wife.

The same man is a father to his child.

But He is still the same person, but three different roles. -> We can understand this applicable for human beings.

As of God, HE is infinitely superior than human beings. He is our Creator. He is one being and existing in three distinct persons - The Heavenly Father, the Son and The Holy Spirit.

1 John 5

7 For there are three that bear record in heaven, **the Father, the Word, and**

the Holy Ghost: and these three are one.

Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.

How can I come to God?

God's promises are

Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. – James 5:8

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God reveals of Himself as – **of purer eyes than to behold evil, and canst not look on iniquity** – Habakkuk 1:13

No one with iniquity or sin can come to His presence. We can come to God after being cleansed from our sins. We cannot cleanse ourselves from our sins.

God sent His ONLY begotten son Jesus Christ into this world so that ANYONE who believes in Him should not perish, but should receive everlasting life. If ANYONE believes in JESUS and repents of their own sins and asks JESUS to forgive their sins; He being God himself, has the power to forgive sins. Only the true God can forgive the sins of mankind. Jesus being God who came to earth in the form of human alone has the power to forgive our sins.

Be truthful to yourself and do repent of your sins. Pray to Jesus. He knows our heart.

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For it is not possible that the blood of goats and bulls should take away sins.

Without shedding of blood, there is no remission of sin. In JESUS alone, we have redemption from our sins through His blood shed on the cross, and the forgiveness of sins and complete freedom from sin's bondage on us.

With repentance tell all your sins to Jesus. Jesus understands all your needs. He will forgive and all your sins will be cleansed. You will receive eternal life and you can be assured that you are in the right way to heaven.

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But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name – John 1:12

For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, **Abba, Father.**

The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God – Romans 8:15,16

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Let the true God, if it be Jesus or Allah or any other God, let the true God reveal Himself to you!

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