

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.

To avoid hell and to go to heaven, **Repenting of one's sins and believing in Jesus as Saviour is the condition as mentioned in the Bible.**

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. – John 3:16

He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and **he that believeth not the Son shall not see life**; but the wrath of God abideth on him. – John 3:36

And as **it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment**: – Hebrews 9:27

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In the Bible its mentioned

Luke 16:19-31

19 There was a certain rich man, which was clothed in purple and fine linen, and fared sumptuously every day:

20 And there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, which was laid at his gate, full of sores,

21 And desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man's table: moreover the dogs came and licked his sores.

22 And it came to pass, that **the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom: the rich man also died, and was buried;**

23 And **in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments,** and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom.

24 And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame.

25 But Abraham said, Son, remember that thou in thy lifetime receivedst thy good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things: but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented.

26 And **beside all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed: so that they which would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us, that would come from thence.**

27 Then he said, I pray thee therefore, father, that thou wouldest send him to my father's house:

28 For I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment.

29 Abraham saith unto him, They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.

30 And he said, Nay, father Abraham: but if one went unto them from the dead, they will repent.

31 And he said unto him, If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead.

For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? - Mark 8:36

This is what God says.

When a baby is born, there is a date set for the soul to be returned to the giver of the life. It's a fact that all of us would die one day. That doesn't change if you are rich or poor. It's a law which is true for all human beings. So what happens after death? Should we think about what happens after death? Shouldn't we just focus on the current life? We as humans tend to think forward. That's the reason why we try to earn more money to make future secure. We think in advance and ensure that we have health insurance so that an emergency is taken care of. So we do think in advance..

What about our soul? What when our breath stops? We leave all the money, position, family and everything which we accumulated in this life span. It's a FACT that we came into this world empty handed and would leave this world empty handed. Our soul returns to the God Almighty.

Everything we did in this short life on earth we would need to give an account for. Can we live our lives just as the way we desire and not reap the consequences? As we sow, so shall we reap.

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Be concerned about your soul also. Because it's a matter of eternity. We take care of our bodies by having good nutritious food and exercise. But finally the body will return to dust at our death. **Make sure your soul is not lost.** There is no point in regretting after death as we can live only one life on earth and there is no coming back.

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If you are sincere to know if there is a real God, pray if there is a true real God to reveal Himself to you. God Himself has promised – Jeremiah 29:13

13 And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart.

If interested, read the Bible with an open mind praying to the true God to reveal Himself to you. You can start with the new testament, Gospel of MARK and then Gospel of John and then the other books of the New Testament.

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

I said therefore unto you, that ye shall die in your sins: **for if ye believe not that I am he**, ye shall die in your sins. – John 8:24

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In my case, I realised Jesus is really God and He is whom He says to be.

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We cannot get to heaven by just leading a good moral life. What we think good deeds can only impress other humans, but God is not impressed. In the sight of God, **all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags.**

For the wages of sin is death; but **the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.** - Romans 6:23

8 For **by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:**

9 **Not of works, lest any man should boast.** - Ephesians 2

But we are all as an unclean thing, **and all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags**; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away. - Isaiah 64:6

As it is written, **There is none righteous, no, not one:** - Romans 3:10

For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God; - Romans 3:23

But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. - Romans 5:8

Romans 4

For what saith the scripture? **Abraham believed God, and it was counted unto him for righteousness.**

4 Now to him that worketh is the reward not reckoned of grace, but of debt.

5 **But to him that worketh not, but believeth on him that justifieth the ungodly, his faith is counted for righteousness.**

6 Even as David also describeth the blessedness of the man, unto whom God

imputeth righteousness without works,

7 Saying, Blessed are they whose iniquities are forgiven, and whose sins are covered.

8 Blessed is the man to whom the Lord will not impute sin.

13 For the promise, that he should be the heir of the world, was not to Abraham, or to his seed, through the law, **but through the righteousness of faith.**

14 For if they which are of the law be heirs, faith is made void, and the promise made of none effect:

15 Because the law worketh wrath: for where no law is, there is no transgression.

16 **Therefore it is of faith,** that it might be by grace; to the end the promise might be sure to all the seed; not to that only which is of the law, but to that also which is of the faith of Abraham; who is the father of us all,

17 (As it is written, I have made thee a father of many nations,) before him whom he believed, even God, who quickeneth the dead, and calleth those things which be not as though they were.

18 Who against hope believed in hope, that he might become the father of many nations, according to that which was spoken, So shall thy seed be.

19 And being not weak in faith, he considered not his own body now dead, when he was about an hundred years old, neither yet the deadness of Sarah's womb:

20 He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; **but was strong in faith, giving glory to God;**

21 And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform.

22 And **therefore it was imputed to him for righteousness.**

23 Now it was not written for his sake alone, that it was imputed to him;

24 **But for us also, to whom it shall be imputed, if we believe on him that raised up Jesus our Lord from the dead;**

25 Who was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification.

Romans 10

8 But what saith it? The word is nigh thee, even in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, the word of faith, which we preach;

9 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.

10 For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

11 For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed.

12 For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him.

13 For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

Acts 16

30 And brought them out, and said, **Sirs, what must I do to be saved?**

31 And they said, **Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.**

thou shalt call his name **Jesus: for he shall save his people from their sins.** - Matthew 1:21

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What is eternal life?

17 These words spake Jesus, and lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, Father, the hour is come; glorify thy Son, that thy Son also may glorify thee:

² As thou hast given him power over all flesh, that he should give **eternal life** to as many as thou hast given him.

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

God, what do I need to do to be

free from my sins?

Jesus, the son of God, lived in Heaven in all His glory. God saw that the whole mankind was in sin. Everywhere hatred, violence, cheating, greed, selfishness, no love or compassion for the poor and needy. Because of sin in every human being, all human was unrighteous and sinful in God's eyes.

None of their sacrifices of bulls or goats nor money could make a man become righteous in the sight of God. No man could be justified in the sight of God, because of their righteousness sake.

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I AM THE TRUTH,

I AM THE LIFE.

No man cometh to the Father (the only true God), but by me. - John 14:6

Jesus said - 'My peace I leave with you.

My peace I give unto you.

My peace is not as the peace which the world give to you.

Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. - John 14 : 27

Jesus alone can give the true peace. He is willing to give this peace to anyone who follows Him.

JESUS is the ONLY way to heaven.

Jesus came to the world to save people from their sins. Jesus took all our sins upon Him and died on the cross.

There was no sin in Him, no not even one. For the sake of sinners like me and you, He died a painful and shameful death on the cross.

We are born sinners, hence we need a Saviour to free us from our life long sins.

After his death, Jesus rose again after three days. Now He is in heaven at the right hand of the Heavenly Father, the Creator God.

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But God did something more and then I knew His LOVE more deeply

Have you gone through physical suffering? To some extent all of us has gone through in varying degrees.

God knowingly sent Jesus to the world. Both God the Father and Jesus knew that one day Jesus would be crucified by wicked cruel men. It was a choice. Jesus didn't had to come. But Jesus and God the Father loved us and Jesus came into this world. He came as a human being born like us and underwent all this physical suffering. Did it pain for Jesus? Yes it did. Did it hurt God the Father seeing all that His Son had to go through. Yes it did. Because of the great love for me, all the physical suffering was endured.

Jesus knew all the time that He would be crucified. Just imagine that if we come to know that we would die in pain suffering a lot, would we have any peace of mind? The thought itself would torture us all the days of our lives. Jesus knew this that He would die and would die a painful shameful death. The mental suffering was at the peak as He poured out in prayer before being betrayed by Judas.

And being in an agony he prayed more earnestly: and his sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground.

Jesus suffered such mental agony. When a child suffers on death bed, the parent's mental agony is something which cannot be described. The child goes through the pain, emotional suffering. By seeing the suffering child, the parents go through immense mental and emotional struggle. That's how God the Father felt when He saw His Son Jesus in agony. - ***And being in an agony he prayed more earnestly: and his sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground.***

All this mental agony was endured because of the great love with which He loved us.

Throughout eternity, God the Father and Jesus the Son was one. Now to save the world from sin, justice has to be served. Jesus took our sins on Him and paid the penalty. The one who knew no sin, became sin for us. God is of pure eyes to behold evil. God is perfectly Holy and pure. There is no sin in God. Because of sin, Adam and Eve who were in fellowship with God was separated from God's presence. Sin separates a person from God.

When the sin of the whole world was put on Jesus, God the perfect Judge turned forsook His Son whom He loved. Imagine a Judge having to sentence his son to death due to a crime committed. Justice demands the son to be sentenced. The Father gives the verdict. But imagine the mental suffering both the parent and the son has to go through.

Here Jesus and God the Father who were perfectly one, had to endure the spiritual suffering of separation as the sin of the whole world was laid on Jesus. Jesus always used to address God as Father. When the sin was laid on Jesus, the spiritual separation caused Him to address as God and in all the Physical, Mental and Spiritual agony He cried out - My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?

All this was for because of the great love of God the Father and Jesus for a mere sinner like me.

Now I know, now I realise God your great deep love towards me.

God, what do I need to do to be free from my sins?

God, why did you create me then?

Even a laptop has a purpose for which its manufactured. God, why did you create me then? What's your purpose for me??...

When a child is born, the parents rejoice. When I see a seed germinating, it brings much joy to me. a new leaf, a bud, a flower - just brings such a pure joy. Oh seed, when I had sown you and cared for you and waiting for you to germinate and grow, i never thought you would bring such joy to me. I knew you would be a good addition to my garden, but the pleasure your each phase in growth gives me is much beyond what I expected. I think I am right in saying that its a pleasure for parents to take care of their children and see them grow. When children show their affection, how much the parents rejoice!

I personally realised - God created us for His pleasure. It's His pleasure to take care of us, when we return the love to Him, He rejoices. Oh God, I didn't know this earlier. For me you were only one that I can come to with my prayers and I hoped that you would answer my prayers. You love me?? That thought is too wonderful to me. My birth was a pleasure to you? Really? You are interested in my day to day life - really? God, You care for me - really?

The best thing that ever happened to me!

I would like to start this blog with something which is the best, so jotting down the best thing which ever happened in my life in the following posts.

I was living my life care free. I was brought up in a not too strict religious family. I used to pray to God for my needs. All of us have needs right! Getting good grades in exams, getting a good job and the list just goes on as the time passes by. I was familiar with simple good moral values like don't lie, don't steal, don't cheat etc etc. Once I started earning, I used to

help poor people. So in my sight I was a pretty good human being – not harming others, helping out others, praying to God.

I used to wonder what this life is all about. Getting up, cooking and eating food, taking care of your family, job, exercise, relaxation, .. the day is done. Most of us have the same routine which gets interrupted by some holidays or vacations. But the fact remains days are passing by.

Is there anything more to life than this?

I guess even though we have sufficient money, good family, still there remains a question – what's the purpose for which I am born? I think this would give a direction in life once we have the answer. I was living my life pretty content. I used to think about God as the one to whom I can bring my prayers. But is that whom God is – a mere hearer to our prayers?

Is there really a God? really??