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o you believe that God sent His Son Jesus into the world to save a sinner like you? Think about this question carefully before you answer it. Do you believe that Jesus died on the cross for your sins? Do you know why?

When Adam disobeyed God, <u>SIN</u> entered into the world and separated man from God. Sin brought with it <u>DEATH</u> and death was passed upon all men, for all men have sinned.



So God ordained a salvation plan to deliver man from the penalty of sin (**DEATH**) by sending His Son into the world to provide a way of escape from the power of death: *faith* in **HIS** finished work.

When Jesus rose from the grave, he broke the power that death had on man, and **DEATH** became a shadow for those who believe on him:

"Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me" (PSALM 23:4).

But the best news of all, there is a day coming in God's plan when death itself will be destroyed:

"The <u>last enemy</u> that shall be destroyed is <u>death</u>" (1 COR. 15:26).

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the Dead" (1 Peter 1:3-5).

It was God that has "<u>BEGOTTEN US AGAIN</u>" when He paid the ransom for our sins by offering the precious blood of His Son on the cross.

Now that he lives, we have "A LIVELY HOPE" because he now has "...the <u>KEYS</u> of hell and of death" (REV. 1:18).



"And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to <u>everlasting life</u>, and some to shame and <u>everlasting contempt</u>" (DANIEL 12:2).

"BUT IF THE SPIRIT OF [GOD] THAT RAISED UP JESUS FROM THE DEAD DWELL IN YOU, HE THAT RAISED UP CHRIST FROM THE DEAD SHALL ALSO QUICKEN [MAKE ALIVE] YOUR MORTAL BODIES BY HIS SPIRIT THAT DWELLETH IN YOU" (ROMANS 8:11).

Does the Spirit of God that raised up Christ from the dead dwell in you? The Spirit of God will be the one that quickens your mortal body from the grave, but if he doesn't dwell in you, you are none of his ("*if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his*" - ROMANS 8:9).

It is appointed unto man once to die. So before you die, **YOU** must choose to believe God or not. Afterward, **YOU** will live eternally with the choice you've made in this life.



God has provided eternal life for all of us, and this **LIFE** is in His Son (1 JOHN 5:11). Trust God right now.

"He that <u>heareth my word</u>, and believeth <u>ON</u> him that sent me, hath <u>everlasting life</u>" (JOHN 5:24-29).