

The World's Best News

# THE BEST NEWS

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# THE BIG NEWS

The best news on earth starts with the first sentence in the Bible: *In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.* (Genesis 1:1)

Because He created you, God **deserves** to be honored: *Our Lord and God, You are worthy to receive glory and honor and power, because You have created all things, and because of Your will they exist and were created.* (Revelation 4:11)

Not only does He deserve your honor and glory, but He **demand**s our obedience. *For it is written, Be holy, because I am holy.* (1 Peter 1:16)

God deserves honor and demands holiness because He is good and knows what is best for His creation. *Yahweh is a compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger and rich in faithful love and truth...forgiving wrongdoing...But He will not leave the guilty unpunished.* (Exodus 34:6-7)

# THE BAD NEWS

God is compassionate and gracious and willing to forgive wrongdoing but he is also just: ***He will not leave the guilty unpunished.*** (Exodus 34:7)

The bad news is that we are **all** guilty. We have all dishonored and disobeyed God. The Bible calls this sin. ***As it is written: There is no one righteous, not even one...all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.*** (Romans 3:10,23)

Humanity has sinned from the start. Adam and Eve disobeyed God in the Garden of Eden and we have been separated from God ever since. ***So the Lord God sent him away from the garden of Eden to work the ground from which he was taken.*** (Genesis 3:23)

Our sin is punishable by death for all eternity. ***He destroys all the wicked;*** (Psalm 145:20) ***the wages of sin is death;*** (Romans 6:23) ***they will go away into eternal punishment...*** (Matthew 25:46)

# THE BEST NEWS

We deserve the death penalty, but *God loved the world in this way: He gave His One and Only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him will not perish but have eternal life.* (John 3:16)

Jesus is *the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation.* And even though *all things have been created through him and for him* (Colossians 1:15-16), Jesus *humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death—even to death on a cross.* (Philippians 2:8)

*God made the One who did not know sin to be sin for us, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.* (2 Cor. 5:21)

Jesus paid for our sins with His death and *He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures.* (1 Cor. 15:4) Jesus' resurrection proves He is the eternal Son of God who takes away the sins of the world.

## WHAT'S NEXT?

Jesus invites us to *repent and believe in the good news!* (Mark 1:15) *If you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, YOU WILL BE SAVED!* (Romans 10:9)

## NEXT STEPS FOR NEW BELIEVERS

- Read more Good News in the Bible - *Your word is a lamp for my feet and a light on my path.* (Psalm 119:105)
- Talk to God every day - *in everything, through prayer ... with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God.* (Phil. 4:6)
- Join with God's Family - *They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching, to the fellowship...* (Acts 2:42)
- Tell Others About Jesus Christ - *confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord"...* (Romans 10:9)

# GOD'S PROMISE TO YOU

*And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. The one who has the Son has life. The one who doesn't have the Son of God does not have life. (1 John 5:11-12)*

## LET'S CONNECT!

**Sundays 11:00am** English Service

**Sundays 1:00pm** Spanish Service

**Wednesdays 7:00pm** Prayer Service

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