

Are you a good Person?



Here are 5 of the **10 Commandments of God**.

You can find them in the Bible at Exodus 20 –

- ***You shall not lie to one another***
- ***You shall not steal***
- ***You shall not misuse the Name of the Lord your God***
- ***You shall not commit adultery***
- ***You shall not murder***

Please answer the following questions. Be honest. Listen to your conscience.

- **Have you ever told a lie? (Exodus 20:16)**
- **Have you ever stolen anything - even something very small? (Exodus 20:19)**
- **Have you ever misused the Name of God or the Name of Jesus Christ? Misusing the Names of God is called**

blasphemy. (Exodus 20:7)

- **Have you ever looked at a woman lustfully? Jesus said, 'Whoever looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart' (Matthew 5:28)**
- **Have you ever hated anyone? The Bible says anyone who hates his brother is a murderer (1 John 3:15)**

If you answered 'Yes' to these

five questions, you have admitted you are a liar, a thief, a blasphemer, an adulterer and a murderer. You have broken God's Laws!

God gave us the Ten Commandments to teach us that we are sinful people who can never get right with Him by trying to keep the Commandments! (Romans 3:20)

It is impossible for us to keep the Ten Commandments. No human being has ever kept them, except the Lord Jesus Christ.

God is holy and righteous. He is a just God who always judges and punishes sin.

The Bible says, 'The times of

ignorance God overlooked, but now He commands all people everywhere to repent, because He (God) has fixed a day on which He will judge the world with justice by the Man (Jesus Christ) He has appointed; He has given proof of this to all men by raising Him from the dead' (Acts 17:30-31).

The Bible says, 'the wages of sin is death' (Romans 3:23). If you do not repent, God will punish you. When you die, God will judge you and you will spend eternity in the Lake of Fire.

But there is Good News - the Gospel! The Son of God, the Lord Jesus Christ, came to earth as a man. He always obeyed the Commandments of God. He

lived a perfect and holy life. He never sinned. Nonetheless, Christ willingly allowed Himself to be put to death on a cross.

God is loving and He is also merciful. The Bible says that *'God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have everlasting Life'* (**John 3:16**)

The Bible also says, *'God shows His love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us'* (**Romans 5:8**).

Christ did this to pay for the penalty for your sins. Because Jesus paid your penalty, it is now possible for you to be forgiven by God for disobeying His Commandments.

You can be saved from the punishment you justly deserve.

The Bible says, *'God made Him (Christ) who knew no sin, to become sin for us, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God'* (**2 Corinthians 5:21**).

Christ defeated death! Three days after He died, Christ came back to life again. He appeared to more than 500 people at the same time. Now He is in heaven at God's right Hand. God has made Him *'the Lord of Lords and the King of Kings!'*

What must you do to be forgiven and to be counted as righteous by God?

First, you must sincerely **believe** that Jesus Christ lived a

life of perfect righteousness and that, even though He never sinned Himself, He willingly died in your place to pay the penalty for your sin. He took the punishment you deserve (**1 Peter 3:18**).

Second, you must sincerely **repent** by turning away from your sin. You must acknowledge to God you are a sinful person who has broken His Commandments and who deserves His judgment and punishment (**Luke 18:13**).

You must also acknowledge that you need God's help to believe and to repent (**Mark 9:24 & John 6:44**).

If you sincerely repent God will

forgive you (**1 John 1:7-10**). He will remember your sins no more (**Isaiah 43:25**). Instead, He will count you as righteous in His sight (**Psalms 32:1-2**). He will give you His gift of eternal life (**Romans 6:23**).

Third, you must ask God to help you to **obey Him** and to help you **follow and obey Christ** as your Lord and your Master every day for the rest of your life (**Luke 9:23**). Ask Him to speak to you when you **read the Bible** and to listen to you when you **pray to Him**. Ask him to help you **join a church that teaches the Bible**.

He has promised to answer you.