

Have you ever wondered, what is the purpose of your life? Why do you have to die? What happens to you after death? How can you have peace, joy, and forgiveness? How can you get eternal life? There is only one book in the world that has the answers to all these questions of life – it is the Holy Bible. The following portions are taken from the Holy Bible.

### Who is God?

The Bible tells us that there is just one true living God. He is All-knowing! All-powerful! All-present! Infinite! Eternal!

God knows your past, present and future. Nothing is unknown to Him! Nothing is impossible with Him! Every person born into this world, is separated from God, and is without hope because of sin. Yet God loves you, and wants you to be with Him forever. Therefore He has made a way to save you.

### What is sin?

People define sin differently. The Bible has this to say on sin:

- **All wrong doing is sin.**
- **All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.**
- **The wages of sin is death.**
- **Man is destined to die once and after that to face judgment.**

*(1 John 5:17); (Romans 3:23); (Romans 6:23); (Hebrews9 :27)*

## WHO IS JESUS?

In the Bible, the Lord Jesus is also known as the Word. And it is written about Him thus:

- **In the beginning the Word already existed; the Word was with God, and the Word was God. From the very beginning the Word was with God. Through Him God made all things; not one thing in all creation was made without Him. The Word was the source of life, and this life brought light to humanity.** *(John 1:1-4)*

Jesus also made the following statements, which none else has ever made:

- **I am the way, the truth and the life.**
- **I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies.** *(John 14:6), (John 11:25)*

### Life of Jesus

The Gospels in the Bible record the life and ministry of Jesus. While He was on earth about 2000 years ago He did good. He healed many and taught people about the kingdom of God. He had power over diseases and even over nature.

**Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the Good news of the Kingdom and healing every disease and sickness among the people – and people brought to Him all who were ill with various diseases, those suffering from severe pain, the demon possessed, those**

**having seizures, and the paralyzed, and He healed them!** *(Matthew 4:23-24)*

Jesus even had power over death and brought many back to life again.

**When Jesus arrived, He found that Lazarus had been buried four days before... Deeply moved once more, Jesus went to the tomb, which was a cave with a stone placed at the entrance. “Take the stone away!” Jesus ordered. Martha, the dead man’s sister answered, “There will be a bad smell, Lord. He has been buried four days!”... He called out in a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” He came out, his hands and feet wrapped in grave clothes, and with a cloth round his face. “Untie him, Jesus told them, “and let him go.” Many of the people, who had come to visit Mary (Martha’s sister), saw what Jesus did, and they believed in Him.**

*(John 11: 17, 38 & 39, 43 b & 44)*

### Purpose of his coming

Jesus came to earth with a specific purpose. It was the fulfilment of what was foretold in the Bible hundreds of years before the birth of Jesus by the prophets. He came to save us from our sins. To do so, He had to die and shed His blood as atonement.

**He (Jesus) was humble and walked the path of obedience all the way to death –his death on the cross.** *(Philippians 2:8)*

**God offered him, so that by his blood he should become the means by which people’s**

**sins are forgiven through faith in him. God did this to demonstrate that he is righteous.**

*(Romans 3: 25)*

### The trial

In fulfilment of the prophecies and the purpose for which Jesus came, He was put to trial unjustly by the Jewish authorities.

**...Caiaphas (the high priest) was the one who had advised the Jews that it would be good if one man died for the people.**

**The high priest said to Him, “I charge you under oath by the living God. Tell us if you are the Christ, Son of God.”“Yes, it is as you say,” Jesus answered...**

**... I (Pilate, the Roman Governor) have examined Him in your presence and have found no basis for your charges against Him... He has done nothing to deserve death... But they kept shouting, “Crucify Him!”**

**Christ died for our sins according to Scriptures.**

*(John18:14), (Matthew 26:63-64),(Luke 23:14, 15:21), (1 Corinthians 15:3)*

Thus the prophecy of Isaiah the prophet was fulfilled and Jesus was crucified.

### His resurrection

The Bible tells us that by His death we are free from the penalty of sin. On the third day He rose from the dead to establish victory over death.

**Jesus Christ died on the cross and then was buried, but He was raised on the third day**

from the dead according to scriptures, and that he appeared to Peter and then to the twelve disciples. After that He appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers at the same time.

*(1 Corinthians 15:4-6)*

### His ascension

Forty days after His resurrection He was taken up. His disciples and many followers were eye witnesses to this. He promised He will come back again.

...He was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid Him from their sight. They were looking intently up into the sky as He was going when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them, "Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven".

*(Acts 1:9-11)*

### He is the way

- Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one can come to the Father except through Me".
- Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved.
- For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.

*(John 14:6; Acts 4:12; John 3:16)*

## THE PROMISE

The Bible gives us the following promises for our salvation:

**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. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved. As the scripture says, "Anyone who trust in Him will never be put to shame".**

**If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

**Yet to all who receive Him, to those who believed in His name, He gave the right to become children of God.**

*(Romans 10:9-11), (1 John 1:9), (John 1:12)*

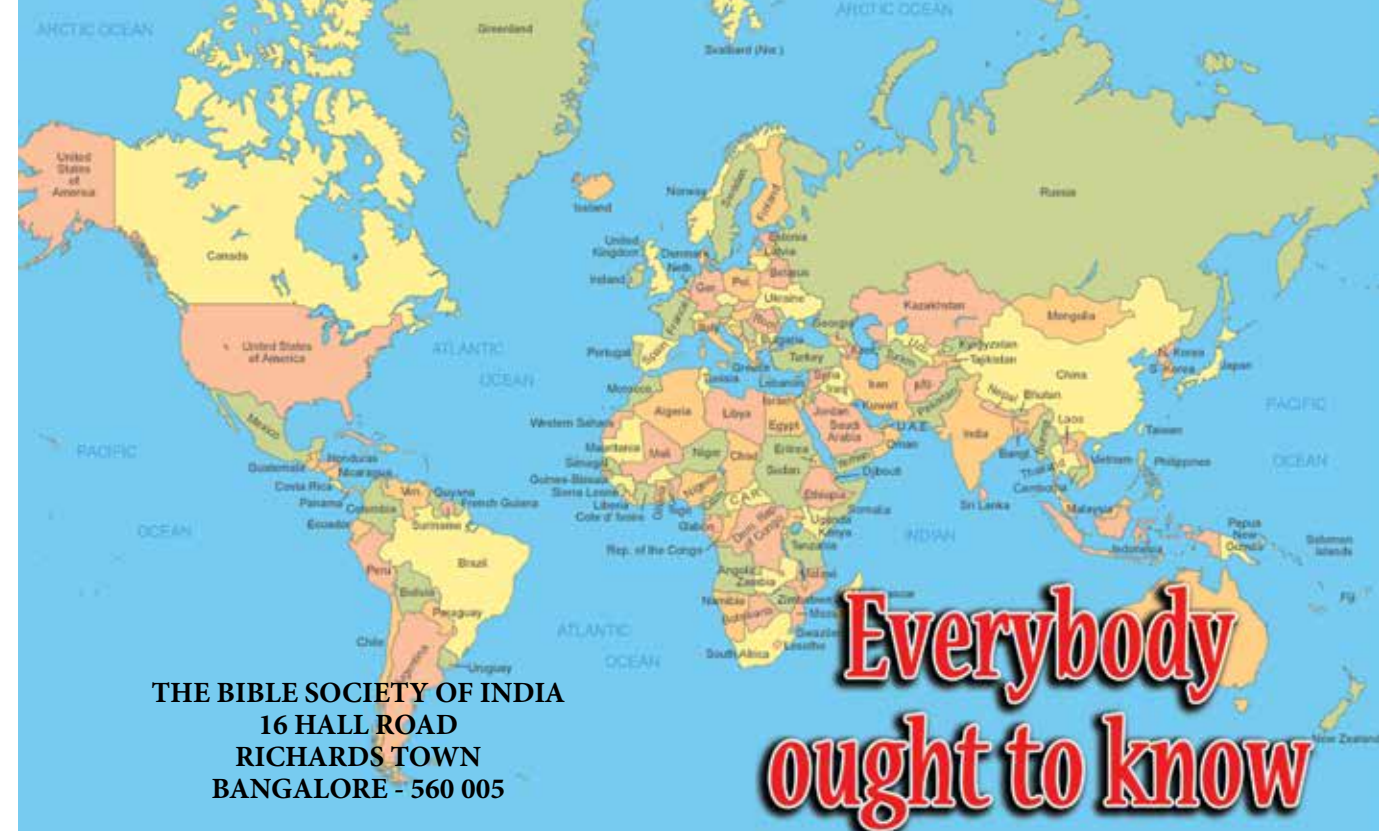
### What you can do

You can believe in Jesus that he died for your sins, was buried and rose again. Invite him to be your Lord and Saviour. He promises to come and live in you. He says:

**Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with him, and he with me.**

*(Revelation 3:20)*

*You can say: Loving Lord Jesus, I accept that I have sinned. Please forgive my sins, wash me with your precious blood and make me clean and holy in your sight. Please come and dwell in my heart. Amen.*



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