Who is going to Heaven?

Greg Kline · Matthew 7:13–23

INTRODUCTION

- Who is going to heaven has an answer. And it is not subjective.
- If we acknowledge that the Bible is the Word of God, we recognize that there is a standard by which we will answer to.
- Who will be saved? The one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven.

1 Will Everyone Be Saved?

Matthew 7:13–14; 1 Timothy 2:3–4; John 12:48

- Enter by the narrow gate. For the gate is wide, and the way is easy, that leads to destruction, and those who enter by it are many.
- If you ask for a numeric count, the answer is few. And those who miss heaven are many.
- There might be those who know the truth and reject it. And what do they fall into? The hands of the living God.
- And so to answer the first question, will everyone be saved? The answer is no.
- Let us be very careful to not mischaracterize or misrepresent God and the words of his son Christ, which will judge us in the last day.

2 Will Good People Be Saved?

John 14:6; Romans 3:23; Romans 6:23

- I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.
- A good person without Jesus is not coming to the Father.
- If life comes through Jesus and Jesus alone, how can we dare say that there can be life outside of Christ?
- For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. So we have a sin problem.
- For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.
- Jesus isn't being exclusive in the sense of being mean. He's being exclusive in the sense that he has the remedy.

3 Will Members of Only One Church Be Saved?

Ephesians 1:22–23; Ephesians 4:4–6; John 14:15

- He put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, which is his body.
- There is one body and one spirit.
- Does it not stand to reason that the one body of Christ would be those who have submitted to the will of the Father?
- Only members of the body of Christ will be saved. Period.
- But if you mean any church that has a sign Church of Christ out front, that is not necessarily the case.

- If we want to obey the will of the Father, we will look at what God has authorized and do that and nothing else.

4 Am I Going to Be Saved?

Romans 14:10; Matthew 7:21

- We must all appear before the judgment seat of God. God is the judge.
- When someone asks you, Am I going to be saved? You say, that's between you and God. What has God said?
- It's not about claims, it's not about looks. Have you obeyed the will of the Father?
- We need to be getting people to put their trust in the Lord, not in men.

> THE CHALLENGE
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> **Consider your ways. Are you obeying the will of the Father or not?**

MY NOTES