

# Good News!

Jesus Christ came to save sinners and give them eternal life! That's it. That's the good news.

🤔 *But I'm not a sinner.*

Well, maybe not by your standards. But even a criminal who is brought to court will say that he had a reason to commit that robbery, or a reason to steal that car. In God's standard, a hateful thought is like murder, as Jesus says:

"You have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not murder, and whoever murders will be in danger of the judgment.' But I say to you that whoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment." - *Matthew 5:21-22*

🤔 *But then everyone is a sinner.*

The bible agrees. King David wrote a song about this 3000 years ago:

"The LORD looks down from heaven upon the children of men,  
To see if there are any who understand, who seek God.  
They have all turned aside,  
They have together become corrupt;  
There is none who does good,  
No, not one." - *Psalms 14:2-3*

🤔 *What are sinners saved from?*

From eternal damnation and punishment in Hell. Whoa, that escalated quickly! Let me explain.

In any country with laws, there are punishments for breaking the laws. Typically, the size of the punishment can depend on how severe the crime was, or whom the crime was committed toward. If there is a creator of this world, any sin against His law would be a sin against the an infinite authority, and it would carry an infinite punishment. Any sin toward your fellow human would also be a sin toward God, because it is against His intention for us.

🤔 *Punishment in Hell, yes, but why eternal?*

If I slap a police officer or a judge, or a king, my punishment would be bigger than if I slapped a beggar – simply because I violated a greater authority. God is an infinite authority. We are finite beings. If we have to pay infinitely, we need to pay in infinite time. For our payment to be "enough", it has to be in infinite time.

🤔 *If all humans have sinned, and all humans have to pay an infinite punishment, there is no hope.*

Actually, there is hope. Because there is one other way to pay an infinite fine: if it is paid one time by an infinite authority. The Bible tells how God the Father sent his Son, Jesus Christ, to pay the punishment once and for all. Jesus Christ offers you this payment. For His payment to be "enough", he can pay only one time, since he is infinite. When Jesus died on the cross, he said "It is finished" – strange words for a dying man. But Jesus also called himself "the sacrificial lamb" – why? In Jesus' time, it was pretty obvious: The people of Israel had to offer a perfect, innocent lamb, as a sacrifice of the sins of the people. But when Jesus came, he revealed that this was actually a sign pointing to Him – Jesus would be the perfect, innocent sacrificial lamb, that takes away the sin of the world.

So, if Jesus has taken 100% of your punishment, how much punishment is left for you?

Exactly, 0%. **This is the good news.** If you do not believe in Jesus, you will need to pay it yourself.

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🤔 *What now?*

Talk to God. Tell Him about your sin. Ask for forgiveness. Go to a church (see the next page). Get baptized. Find fellowship. Follow Jesus. And be happy, because you have eternal life through your faith in His sacrifice, by His grace.

“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.” - John 3:16

“if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.” - Romans 10:9

“whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life.” – John 4:14

“... as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name” – John 1:12

“I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture.” – John 10:9

“I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd gives His life for the sheep.” – John 10:11

“My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand.” – John 10:27-28

“Jesus said to her, ‘I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?’ ” – John 11:25-26

“For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast.” – Ephesians 2:8-9

## Resources

<https://www.biblegateway.com/> - read the bible online

<https://www.gotquestions.org/> - find Christian answers to many faith related questions

<https://www.desiringgod.org/> - sermons and discipleship materials

<https://biblethinker.org/> - bible studies, questions and answers

<https://bibleproject.com/> - animation videos explaining the bible and biblical concepts

<https://www.youtube.com/@delafetestimonies> – real testimonies from real people

## Churches

<https://apostelkirken.dk/> - Apostelkirken (Saxogade 13, 1662 København V)

<https://arkcph.dk/> - Ark (Drejervej 11-21, 2400 København NV)

<https://frimenigheden.dk/> - Hvidovre Frimenighed (Kirkegade 14-18, 2650 Hvidovre)

<https://www.kbhfrikirke.dk/> - Københavns Frikirke (Filippavej 3, 1928 Frederiksberg C /  
Banevolden 46, 2500 Copenhagen /  
Toftøbæksvej 13, 2800 Kongens Lyngby)

<https://www.kbhkirken.dk/> - Københavnerkirken (Rømersgade 17, 1362 København K)

<https://www.kingoskirke.dk/> - Kingos Kirke (Bragesgade 35, 2200 København N)

<https://www.aabenkirkekbh.dk/> - Åben Kirke (Kirsten Walthersvej 5, 2500 CPH)

<https://www.solvangsogn.dk/> - Solvang Kirke (Remisevej 10-12, 2300 København S)