

## **Does Everyone Get to Go to Heaven?**

It sounds nice to say that everyone will go to heaven, no matter what. Well, that is just not true and we all need to know what Jesus said about this topic. In Matthew 7:13-14 Jesus says this,<sup>13</sup> "Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. <sup>14</sup> But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it.

Unfortunately, people choose to sin. As children and adults, we need to make up our minds that we choose to make decisions based upon the Word of God and not the sins of mankind. Satan is real and wants to lead all of us astray. We can stay close to God by reading His Word, praying to Him for guidance and for the Holy Spirit to help us increase our faith.

Heaven is the promise for those who decide to follow Jesus. You follow Him by recognizing that he is Lord and Savior. You must also recognize that all have sinned, including ourselves, and we have fallen short of the glory of God. We must confess our sins, repent of those sins and then we need to be baptized into Christ for the remission of those sins. Finally, our daily walk must increase in a life dedicated to serving the Lord.

Remember, always move closer to God and not away from Him. Remaining faithful to God is our best option.

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### **Questions:**

1. Does everyone get to go to heaven just because they want to be with God?
2. What do we have to do to have a relationship with God?
3. Is Satan real?
4. Should we have a love for God and also a level of respect?
5. Will God given in and let everyone into heaven or will He stand upon His New Testament covenant with man?

**Next Steps:** Talk to your parents about sin. Make a list of sins to avoid so that you are able to stay away from the evil of Satan and come closer to the love of God. Some sins to discuss are: lying, stealing, talking bad about someone else, and many more.