

Romans 3:23 states, “all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God”. The penalty for our sin is death and eternal separation from God in hell. The only way that we can go to heaven is for someone to pay our penalty and offer us forgiveness of sin.

God’s own Son Jesus Christ died on the cross to pay sin’s penalty and offers us fellowship with God and eternal life through His shed blood (John 3:16; Romans 3:24-26). All we have to do is by faith accept His sacrifice and claim Him as our personal Savior.

*“For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God”* (Ephesians 2:8).

*“For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved”* (Romans 10:13).

How about it? Are you looking for definite answers to your questions? You will not find them in philosophy, politics, science or man-made religion. You may look in these other areas, but ultimately you are sure to come back to the Word of God. John 17:17 states, “thy word is truth” and though man may fail you, God never will!

He has given you true answers to these questions. His question to you now is, “Will you receive my Son as your Savior, accept my forgiveness and allow me to give you purpose in life and a home in heaven forever?”

What will your answer be?

*“Dear God, I know that I have sinned against you and am truly sorry for my sin. I believe Jesus died for me and rose again from the grave. Please forgive my sin as I now trust Christ as my Savior and Lord. Thank you for saving me. Help me to follow you. In Jesus’ name, Amen.”*

- Pastor Tim Cruse



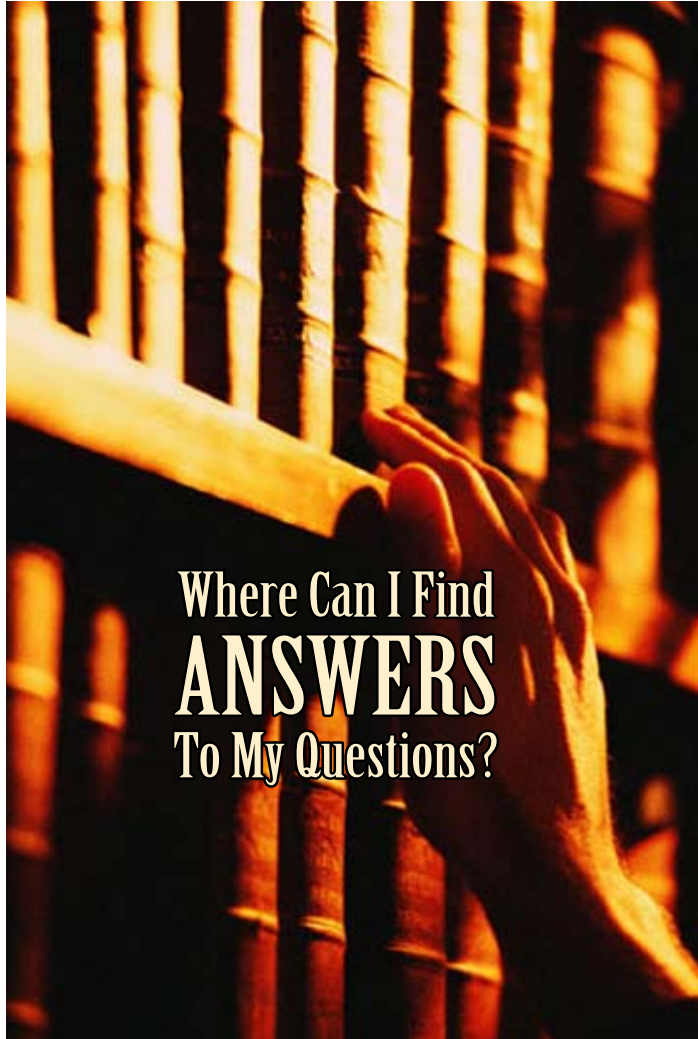
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# Where Can I Find ANSWERS To My Questions?

## ATTENTION YOUNG PERSON

Each of us has questions in life we want answers for; such as: “Why do I have to go to work or school?” or “Why doesn’t anyone trust me?” or “How can I have more friends?” and many others. Although these sometimes are common questions asked by most young people, there are a few other questions that are asked by all young people worldwide.

These universal questions are “**Where did I come from?**”, “**Why am I here?**”, and “**Where am I going?**.” There is not a teenager or even an adult alive that does not really want to know some satisfying answers to these questions!

In order to find true answers for these honest questions, we must look to the Word of God. God Himself inspired different men to record His Word, and the Bible claims to be the Word of God over and over again (II Timothy 3:15; II Peter 1:21 - inspired means that God supernaturally moved on men and gave them exactly what He wanted them to record - also, the “Good Book” would not be too good if it was not exactly what it claimed to be, God’s Word, would it?)

Therefore, we do not have to look to any man or organization, but we can look to God’s Word alone for the answers we need to our questions.

## WHERE DID I COME FROM?

Genesis 1:1 states that, “*In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth*”. The actual creation of man and woman is found in Genesis 1:26, 27; 2:7, 21-24. From this we see that mankind and all that exists around us came from the creative hand of God.

Our body and this universe are so “fine-tuned” in their design that there is no way all of this could have come from nothing and developed on its own over millions of years. Talk about chance! If evolution was fact, then it would be a law instead of a theory.

Psalms 139:14 states that you are “*fearfully and wonderfully made*”. God Himself created you and loves you very much because you are made in His image. Just as He can think, feel and act upon things, so can you. He challenges you to “*Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth*” (Ecclesiastes 12:1).

## WHY AM I HERE?

God had a reason in giving you life. That reason is that you might live a life of purpose, experience His blessings and bring honor to His name (Romans 8:28 - 32). Also, He has a plan for your life as far as what you do, who you marry and everything else.

He is not out to get you to conform to a set of boring rules and regulations or to cheat you out of having a “good time.” He wants to give you true joy and peace. Jesus said, “*I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly*” (John 10:10).

The one thing that robs us from having this abundant life is sin. Because we have sinned against God and tried to live our lives apart from Him, we suffer. Proverbs 13:15 states “*the way of transgressors (sinners) is hard*”. In other words, those who try to live their lives apart from God often live lives of heartache, worry and fear. Their joys are only temporary and they have no true peace concerning the future.

However, for those who know Christ as Savior and live life according to God’s will, they are assured of His blessing and guidance (Proverbs 3:5,6). He will use their abilities and experiences to help others and bring honor to Himself. Whether it is preaching and teaching His Word, building houses or a home, working with computers, running a business, or whatever, God wants to use their lives as a witness for Him and a testimony of what matters most.

## WHERE AM I GOING?

For centuries man has wondered whether or not there is life after death. God’s servant Job asked some 3500 years ago in Job 14:14, “*If a man die, shall he live again?*”

The Bible teaches us that we are a living soul housed in a body of flesh (Genesis 2:7). Even though our body will someday die, our soul (the “real us”) will go on living forever in one of two places: heaven or hell.

God Himself dwells in heaven and cannot live in the presence of sin. That is why there is a hell; for those who choose sin over Him.