

Blunt as a 2x4: How to Live Forever in 3 Easy Steps

Do you want to go to heaven? Do you want to live forever in a world free from trouble, pain, or sorrow? Do you want to be *absolutely positive* that you won't go to hell? Read on, and I'll tell you how.

3 Steps to getting to heaven:

1. We're all sinners and deserve nothing but death and hell.
2. Jesus paid the price for our sin on the cross.
3. THERE IS NO STEP 3!!!

That's really all there is to it. Faith (believing & trusting) in that alone gives you a free ticket to heaven, all expenses paid by Jesus. Period. End of story. No strings attached.

But what about step 3?

So often, we want to contribute to our salvation. If someone asks about going to heaven, you might say, "Well, I *hope* I'll get to heaven." But *hoping* generally expresses uncertainty. Are you sure or not? If you're sure, great. I'll see you there.

If you're not sure you're going to heaven, if you believe there's a *remote* possibility that you won't make it, that you just *might* end up spending eternity in hell, I have great news for you. No, *God* has great news for you. You see, we could never gain access to heaven by our works. God demands perfection, so unless you're as perfect as God, you're not good enough to go to heaven, but Jesus the Christ, the Son of God Who is God Himself, *did* live a perfect life. He alone, of all the people ever to live on earth, lived a *perfect-as-God* life. He alone *earned* eternal life.

"Well, that's great for Him, but I'm still a poor miserable sinner!"

100% correct. But Jesus didn't stop there. He turned over His life, giving it up for us. He faced the wrath of God on the cross in our place. He suffered and died because of the sins *we* committed. He handed the reward over to us, so we can live forever in heaven and the New Creation that God has promised will replace this world of sin.