## The Steamroller Called Death

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Death is like a steam roller. When you first see it at a distance, it looks harmless enough to you. After all, it's moving slow and it's far away. But before you know it, it's right on top of you. And like an overpowering force, the steamroller called DEATH crushes all opposition in front of it, with ruthless disregard for whether or not you think it's fair or think it's your time to leave this world. So when you realize your fate is sealed and death is fast approaching, it finally dawns on you... "Death is real! Real for me! I have no more time to fix any damaged relationships, no more time to repair a broken home or a failed marriage, no more time to make amends to people I wronged in some way, no more time to repent and seek the Lord. All I have to look forward to is eternity in Hell. I lived my whole life doing things my way, determining for myself what was right and what was wrong, what to do with my time, my money, my possessions. I did not want to know if God had anything to say about how I should live my life. But now I must face this God who made me. I must face Him as my Judge unless I repent before its too late, and plead with Him to be my Savior - not on my terms but on His terms - and then I can only hope that He might have mercy on a self-centered rebel like me. I can't just go out and treat God like a salad bar, and pick whatever god I want and whatever religion is most attractive to me. In fact, the only choice I have is the one I don't want... a righteous and holy God who hates sin with a vengeance and who cannot let the guilty go unpunished.

## "Though hand join in hand (though they join forces), the wicked shall not be unpunished" [Proverbs 11:21]

God has made only ONE way for the guilty to avoid being punished in Hell for eternity. And therefore, if you think there are other roads to Heaven or other doors to Paradise you are greatly and dangerously deceived. All other advertised paths to Heaven are just disguised paths to Hell, made attractive to sinners like you by other sinners like you who wanted an easy way to Heaven. These other paths are the **broad way** mentioned in the Bible:

## "Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat" [Matthew 7:13]

The Lord Jesus Christ is the ONLY WAY to Heaven. Jesus, who is fully God and fully man, provided the only sacrifice for our sins that is acceptable to God. His death on the cross was the death of the SINLESS Son of God and the ONLY WAY that God has provided you or me to get right with Him. Those are His terms. Come to Christ or go to Hell. There are no back doors to Heaven:

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a

## robber." [John 10:1]

There is no other savior but Jesus Christ:

"I, even I, am the Lord; and beside me there is no saviour." [Isaiah 43:11]

"Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." [Acts 4:12]

"That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth." [Philippians 2:10]

There is no other way to be made fit for Heaven where people will be fellowshipping for all eternity with a holy sin-hating God:

"For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit" [1 Peter 3:18]

When that steamroller called DEATH approaches YOU, will you truly be ready to meet your Maker?

— RM Kane