

# How much of a gambler are you?

## READ ON AND FIND OUT...



**man says:** "I'm not really a gambler. I just play the lottery (or bingo, raffles, etc.) and besides, the money is going to a good cause."

**God says:** *"There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death."* [Proverbs 14:12].

**man says:** "I need to gamble because I need more money. I'll be happy if I have just a little more money."

**God says:** *"For what is a man profited, if he gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?"* [Matthew 16:26].

**man says:** "Gambling is just a matter of having a little 'harmless' fun and besides, nobody is going to tell me what to do with my time or my money."

**God says:** *"the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels, in flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: who shall be punished with everlasting destruction"* [2 Thess 1:7-9].

**man says:** "God is not against me having a little more money."

**God says:** *"Thou shalt not covet"* [Exodus 20:17] ... *Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal"* [Matthew 6:19-20].

**Friend, if you don't care about God's commandments, then you are gambling with your eternal soul. If you do care, then read the rest of this message before its too late...**

God did not put us here on earth to kill time or to gamble away money. He put us here to live to His glory and to be our brother's keeper:

*"Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God." [1 Corinthians 10:31]*

*"Sanctify yourselves therefore, and be ye holy: for I am the LORD your God." [Leviticus 20:7]*

*"See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, Redeeming the time, because the days are evil." [Ephesians 5:15-16]*

Are you striving to live a holy life that is pleasing to God? Are you treating your time and money as if it were God's?

*"Behold, all souls are mine; as the soul of the father, so also the soul of the son is mine: the soul that sinneth, it shall die." [Ezekiel 18:4]*

The only way we live a life pleasing to God's is to repent of our sins and believe the Gospel of Jesus Christ. What is the Gospel of Jesus Christ? It is simply this: Whoever dies without the salvation from sin that Jesus alone provides, will have to endure the wrath of God. That means they will spend eternity in Hell paying for their sins themselves:

*"and the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night" [Revelation 14:11]*

Do you think that your soul is something to gamble with? Then go ahead and keep ignoring God's warnings:

*"How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation" [Hebrews 2:3]*

You are gambling with your soul if you think that church membership, prayers, good deeds or human effort of any kind can help you to make peace with God. God says that everyone born into this world is a hopelessly lost sinner who cannot pay for his sins no matter what he tries to do. Only Jesus Christ can take away a person's sins, which was the reason why Jesus came to earth, was crucified, died, was buried and rose from the dead on the third day:

*"being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him" [Romans 5:9].*

**Do you want to stop gambling with your soul? Then cry out to God to have mercy on you today...**

*"And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner." [Luke 18:13]*

**man says:** "I don't believe any of this."

**God says:** *"the fearful, and the unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire" [Rev 21:8]*

**When man dies lost and wakes up on Judgment Day, man realizes that God's warnings are true:** *"The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." [Jeremiah 8:20] ... "For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?" [Revelation 6:17]*

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