

I'm Good... I'm OK... I don't need Jesus! Oh, really?



Countless numbers of people have made the above comment, when offered a gospel tract by a street evangelist who was trying to warn them of something they were quite oblivious to regarding their spiritual condition in the eyes of God.

The fact of the matter is, no one is good and no one is OK when it comes to their spiritual condition and their fitness for a place as pure and sinless as Heaven. The Holy Bible makes this fact quite clear over and over again. Here is just one of many examples:

“As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one: There is none that understandeth, there is none that seeketh after God. They are all gone out of the way, they are together become unprofitable; there is none that doeth good, no, not one.” [Romans 3:10-12]

Do you think God would leave His throne in Heaven and come to earth in the Person of Jesus Christ, to be brutally beaten and killed for no reason? ... for people who are OK ... who don't need a Savior ... who can get to Heaven on their own merits?

It is precisely because there is NONE good, NONE righteous, that the Lamb of God had to be slaughtered, because no other payment was acceptable to God for the terrible assault on Him and His laws that we commit every day. Don't even hope for one minute that your good deeds will outweigh the bad. The seriousness of the sin and the enormity of the penalty has more to do with the whom it is that has been offended than who the offender is. The infinitely holy God of the universe could care less about your unbelievably low standards of righteousness. It is His standard that we must measure up to. It is He whom we need to be prepared to meet and fellowship with someday.

There is no way in the world that we are fit to dwell with this Holy Being the way we were born. Which is precisely why the Bible declares that we must be BORN AGAIN. God has to perform a supernatural transformation in us. He has to remake us. He has to take people who could care less about eternity, who only care about the here and now, and turn them into fanatics who are preoccupied with heaven and the God who dwells there. And if such a transformation does not occur, we are only fit for eternal separation from God and from all that is good and holy, and that only leaves one option, which is to be cast into eternal darkness as the Bible calls it, a place called Hell. Like it or not and believe it or not, you are entirely at God's mercy. He owes you nothing and you owe Him everything. You have an appointment with Him that cannot be postponed nor avoided. You WILL meet Him. Will you be ready?

Does this kind of talk make you uncomfortable? I hope so. No one ever sought the Savior who was comfortable with his spiritually lost condition. Does it scare you? I hope so. No one ever sought the Savior who was not fearful of the wrath of God and painfully aware that they deserved to be punished for a lifetime of selfishness and rebellion against the God of all creation.

**“It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living
God.”**

[Hebrews 10:31]
