

MAY 27, 2018

GOOD PEOPLE GO TO HEAVEN

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Lies We Believe About Who Is In Heaven:

I'm pretty good and _____ will be good enough. Ro 3:10; 3:23; Ja 2:10

The Truth: _____ is _____ that they can stand before God based on their _____ righteousness.
Ro 3:10; 3:23

The Truth: Jesus told the _____ of the day that their goodness _____.
Matt 5:20; Luke 18:11

I'm _____ from God, he could _____ accept me.

The Truth: Jesus said he came to _____.
Matt 9:12; Luke 19:10; John 6:47; Ro 5:8; 1Tim 1:15

The Truth: Jesus never taught that people should get _____.
John 3:16; Luke 15:7

"Jesus saves" means you can _____

The Truth: You are called _____ a _____.
Ro 1:7; 1Cor 14:33; 2Cor 5:17

The Truth: Spiritual growth is directly related to _____.
1Cor 9:24-25; 2Tim 3:16

If people go to heaven through their own goodness then Jesus died in vain.

TALK IT OVER

Talking through the message during the week can really help clarify the things that God is teaching you and let others learn from your experiences. Get with someone this week and talk about your answers to the following questions.

Before the message did you believe that good people go to heaven? How did the message affect your perspective?

What thoughts came to you from the illustration of *The Ladder*?

Which of the *companion lies* do you most struggle with?

How do Romans 1:7 and 2Cor 5:17 affect your perspective of yourself? What practical effect does that have on your daily life?

What is God teaching you through 1Cor 9:24-25? How are you training to live out your new identity in Christ? Where are you being challenged most?

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"Jesus saves" means you can STAY AS YOU ARE.

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