

What about those who had never known Christ before their death?

What about the person that has never heard of Jesus? When people bring up the subject of those who die without knowing Christ they are really saying is how can God be just if we cannot be saved outside of Christ?

Be careful not to fall into the trap of judging God for His fairness because you want to justify yourself. Those that do this show they know nothing of the love displayed through Jesus Christ. He is the Word and Authority of God the Father and displayed God's love even before His appearing in the flesh. There are those that walked with God before Christ came in the body to deliver salvation through His suffering. Those who approached God in a spirit of humility have always seen the qualities of His love. This is why the book of Romans Chapter One talks about the power of God's love and the responsibility for all to recognize His sovereignty through Creation.

Rom. 1:19-22 KJV 2000

19. Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God has showed it unto them.

20. For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and deity; so that they are without excuse:

21. Because, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish hearts were darkened.

22. Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools,

Knowing these things why should anyone be angry that God establishes His own rule governing eternity. He decides whether or not we will enter eternity with God because He knows every thought and intent of every heart! I have heard people say that they don't seek God because of all the hypocrites. Well here is a little question: "If there is a hypocrite between you and God then who is closer to Him"?

Realistically all who sin are hypocrites. Denying the very life that was given to them through creation, thinking that this life is their own and without responsibility to a Creator. Therefore they do not try to find His love because of arrogance. The scripture above says because of vain imaginations their hearts were darkened and they became fools.

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1. The fool has said in his heart, There is no God.

This is why an unbeliever sees the grace that covers Christian stumbling as hypocrisy. Therefore the believer that practices sin is not acting in love toward those around them also; they are putting themselves and those who watch them in danger. To establish the cross of Christ is very crucial in establishing love's law along with God's Word. It also gives witness through us to the indwelling Holy Spirit, which is mankind's hope of glory, (given at salvation) the first taste of eternal life.

Sincere repentance is the first sacrifice that the Lord accepts because He established His covenant of love with us through the blood of the cross. Any sacrifice we make has no eternal weight without first accepting His sacrifice of love at the cross.

Then what about the person that has never heard of Jesus yet loves their children and spouse deeply. I believe a person can get their identity from the love they receive from family. However this kind of love can be easily manipulated if not subjected to the Lord's example of sacrifice. The love of any spouse can not properly receive their partner's love if they do not first respect God's sacrifice of love.

In case you do not recognize what I have been saying the family is an example of Christ and His church. It must be lived in the Spirit and not subject to the desires and weakness of the flesh. How else can we give birth to children fit for a family that runs on love?

The family is just one more example God gives us to see His glorious creation. Taking control of our heart for love and preferring others before ourselves is rare. Let's suppose your chance is as good as one in a thousand that you obey the perfect law of love outside Jesus. Are you even willing to take a thousand to one shot to eternal life rather than punishment? The point is mute the very fact that you are reading this makes you doubly accountable to Christ. Well what about the people who died before Christ? To that I would say that redemption has been preached since the time before Noah entered the ark and that very act of being saved from the flood through the ark shows the redemptive heart of God. However it still took the faith of Noah to obey the Word of God to build the ark. Besides all this, you don't want to be guilty of judging God just to avoid your accountability to His Word (Christ, Jesus). Do you?

Again I say when people bring up the subject of those who die without knowing Christ they are really saying is why can't I justify myself outside

responsibility to God thereby entering eternal bliss outside of Christ's salvation? This is still a trap because it originates in pride and is the exact opposite of the humility needed to enter into a relationship with the Creator. What makes anyone think they can justify themselves outside the grace of Jesus Christ or God's love? God will judge fairly those dying in ignorance of Jesus. I will say once more why should anyone be angry with God because He establishes the rule of Love that governs in eternity and or whether we will enter eternity with God.

As I mentioned before He knows every thought and the motive of every heart! I hope you can see now why the sacrifice Jesus set by example (death to self) is so crucial to establishing love. Therefore please try to understand the love of Christ is your only hope of glory. Like Noah believed the Word of the Lord and received redemption through faith. We also have this same opportunity to be saved through faith from the fire of God's wrath. Time is short.

His Love through Jesus awaits your call of faith!

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