



THINGS JESUS NEVER SAID “Good People Go to Heaven”

Mark 10:17-31

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What Jesus Never Said...

- ✓ If you're a nice or good person, not too bad, even just a little bit “religious” then you'll go to heaven.
- ✓ If your parents or grandparents were Christians or went to Church, then you'll go to heaven.
- ✓ If you try your best, keep the 10 commandments, just go to church, give some money to the church, do some nice things for others, then you'll go to heaven.
- ✓ If you don't kill someone, you try really hard to do good in this life, you grew up in the Bible Belt, grew up going to church & got baptized, then you'll go to heaven.
- ✓ If you are better than your neighbor, classmate, co-worker, friend in the being good department, then you'll go to heaven.
- ✓ Since God is good and loves everyone, and heaven is a good place, then everyone who is good will go to heaven.

What Did Jesus Really Say...

- Nobody is good enough to earn their way into heaven. It is a gift.
[Romans 3:23; 6:23; & Ephesians 2:9](#)
- Everyone needs a Savior. [Matthew 5:2; 9:11-13](#)
- Everyone is welcome, gets in the same way, and can meet the requirements. [John 3:16-17](#)
- There's only one way to get to heaven [John 14:6; Romans 10:9-10](#)
- You must make Jesus first over anything and everything in your life – He must be in first place – [Matthew 6:33; Mark 8:34-37](#)
- It's impossible to have salvation on our own, it's only possible because Jesus has made the impossible, possible [Mark 10:26-27](#)

What Do We Do?

- 1) We, like the rich young ruler, must ask the right questions to the right person – Jesus, what must I do to inherit eternal life?
- 2) We must realize we are lacking something – there's a hole in our soul that can only be filled by Jesus.
- 3) We must understand, it's not about religion, but a relationship with Jesus.
- 4) We must be willing to come to Jesus empty handed with childlike faith and simply receive salvation. We must be willing to surrender and let go of everything and follow Jesus. It's the ABC's – **A**dmit, **A**sk, **B**elieve, **C**onfess and **C**ommit