

## My Testimony

As a person burdened for lost souls, I have prayed for an opportunity concerning your eternal destiny in which you been given a free will to choose where that might be. I hope you will be receptive to what has been written for your consideration and what lies ahead of you.

Regardless how we live our life, tis true we cannot take anything with us when we depart from this earth. I read a passage from the KJV Bible - **Ecclesiastes 5:15 As he came forth of his mother's womb, naked shall he return to go as he came, and shall take nothing of his labour, which he may carry away in his hand.**

There is a promise to those who make their peace with God and prepare themselves for the journey ahead ( **eternity** ), I will explain later.... Although not everyone sets their house in order and is prepared, as they think that taking out an insurance policy to take care of funeral cost and loved ones are sufficient. This is commendable, but it is still not enough and will certainly not take care of your soul which lives on in eternity. The funeral costs deal with the body and the rest of the insurance policy is only temporal for those loved ones left behind.

I remember many years ago now how I struggled with the news that I had a health issue and had to get cervical laser treatment. Anyway, my head was full of thoughts on this and one night at bedtime I had an experience that **eventually** changed my life. I don't recall of dreaming that night, but rather I could only hear what I can describe as an 'authoritative. powerful and strong' male voice. I got a fright! when I heard the words 'you're rotten!' and in my sleep, I responded by asking 'is it cancer'? by this time it was as if there was a *gentleness and a smile* behind his voice, he spoke with *much tenderness and love when he acknowledged* the words 'no, see a doctor'. You see, I asked this because I *thought* I was "rotten" with cancer having the cervical cell problems, even though by then it was treated. Since reading from the Authorised Version, the King James Bible, this passage of scripture only confirmed to me that this was no ordinary intervention. **Job 33: 15-18 In a dream, in a vision of the night, when deep sleep falleth upon men, in slumberings upon the bed; 33:16 Then he openeth the ears of men, and sealeth their instruction, 33:17 That he may withdraw man from his purpose, and hide pride from man. 33:18 He keepeth back his soul from the pit, and his life from perishing by the sword.** Anyway, for a few weeks it bothered me wondering why I needed to see a doctor, and hard pressed I couldn't ignore it. So, I decided to make an appointment with my GP to put it behind me but, what do I say to the doctor as there wasn't anything I felt wrong with me! what could I say was wrong with me to need an appointment? I didn't dare tell him about that night when I was told that I was **"rotten and to see a doctor."** However, by the time of my appointment with the doctor, I asked him for a thorough examination for my peace of mind sake. *This would be around early Autumn of 1994.* So, as requested the doctor gave me an examination and I walked out the doctor's surgery with a clean bill of health. This made me wonder all the more but not too long after that day at the doctors I tried to forget about that night but I had no peace of at all. I struggled day and night with this dream. I won't bore you with all the details between

times, but a good few months down the line I couldn't sleep one night, so I got a bible from the sideboard to look through, not knowing the front from the back. I opened the book, flicking through the pages not knowing why, UNTIL this passage of scripture fell open to me. It read - **Matthew 9:12-13** But when Jesus heard that, he said unto them, They that be whole need not a physician, but they that are sick. But go ye and learn what that meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice: for I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance. I sprung from the armchair where I sat with total excitement! It was as if Someone had switched on the light!

For the first time I could see and understand what that night was all about! I was on a high!!! You see, it wasn't that I was supposed to see my doctor a '**General Practitioner**', but rather it was to see the '**Great Physician**' ( **the Lord Jesus Christ** ). HE sought me out. (Luke 19:10 For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.) The Lord Jesus Christ opened my heart { Acts 16:14}. He was tugging at me all that time, the restless and sleepless nights, the tears and anxiety wondering what on earth was happening with me. I was rotten alright, rotten and sick with sin! My soul was in need of saving, I was in NEED of the Saviour! I didn't know how to pray but did the best I knew how as the LORD looketh on the heart. (1Samuel 16:7 ... for the LORD seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the LORD looketh on the heart.) I acknowledged that I was a sinner and asked in prayer for the Lord Jesus to forgive me for my sins and to save my soul from hell. ☺ I realised **I was a sinner lost and without hope**. The Saviour Jesus Christ made me well (**whole**) and by his grace He saved my soul right there and then. I was born again (John 3:3,7). It is well with my soul **Praise God John 6:37** All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out.! The Lord Jesus says - I am **eternally secure in Christ Jesus** ( 1John 5:13) and no matter when it is my time to leave this earth, **Psalms 31:15** I **KNOW** that I will go to Heaven to be with my Saviour because `HE **shed His blood** on the cross for me personally. Jesus Christ bore my sins and paid the penalty of death for me. **Romans 6:23** For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. **2 Timothy 1:12** ... for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day. I am already prepared and have my house in order; I have committed my soul to Jesus Christ against that day of judgement. **Romans 14:12** So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God. **Hebrews 9:27** And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment:

The Nativity story is Universal, but what is not Universal is belief in the gospel of Jesus Christ. **1 Corinthians 15:3-4** For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures: **Jesus Christ {God manifest in the flesh }** was born to die a horrendous and excruciating death to save those lost and without hope. He died for all sinners, in a lost world. **Mt 26:28** For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many. He took upon himself our sins so that we might have life. **He is the Victor over Death and Hell.** **1 Corinthians 15:55** O death, where is thy

sting? O grave, where is thy victory? Revelation 1:18 I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death.

If you believe the gospel according to the scriptures, it is God's promise for you to be where He is ( *in Heaven* ). Hebrews 10:23 Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;) John 14:3 ...; that where I am, there ye may be also.

It is NOT God's will for you to *perish* 2 Peter 3:9 The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

Salvation is a FREE gift to you!

Putting your faith and trust in Jesus Christ for salvation ALONE is the ONLY way. *John 14:6 Jesus saith ..., I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me. John 10:9 I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture. Acts 4:12 Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.*

There is much confusion and controversy out there in the world. They all take a stand on what they believe. I have heard some say – 'I have my faith' but when asked what their faith is, they cannot tell me. A person can have faith in anything. For instance, one can have faith that his car will start when he puts the key in the ignition. Another can have faith in the chair he sits on to hold him. There are all kinds of faith out there! religious and secular, but that's not to say it is any faith that saves souls from going to Hell. **Ephesians 2:8-9** For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast. It is the faith you personally have placed in Jesus Christ by believing the gospel. **1 Corinthians 15:3-4** For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures:

It has been said 'each to their own,' live and let live"... but when the time comes when they need that assurance and security of their eternal destiny they find that they are all alone with no-one and nothing to comfort them in their time of need. The world cannot help them as the world is lost and certainly not reassuring by any means. The ONLY Person that can give you assurance and security and peace is the Lord Jesus Christ. **John 14:27** Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. **John 14:16** And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; **God is a Spirit** ( **John 4:24** ) a saved soul walks by faith **2 Corinthians 5:7** ( *For we walk by faith, not by sight:* ) **There is hope for the saved person** **Romans 8:24-25** For we are saved by hope: but hope that is seen is not hope: for what a man seeth, why doth he yet hope for? But if we hope for that we see not, then do we with patience wait for it.

I could go on a great length about my Saviour and His spoken words in the Bible, but ask

yourself – **‘What have I got to lose by taking the gospel by faith?** Your soul is eternal, whither it goes upward or downward. Our Creator has given us the Bible for our learning more about Him and to have fellowship with Him. He has preserved His words in the KJV Bible *Psalms 12:6-7 The words of the LORD are pure words: as silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times. Thou shalt keep them, O LORD, thou shalt **preserve them from this generation for ever.** It isn't God's will for you to go to Hell when you die, your soul is precious to Him but He won't force you to believe on Him, remember He has created you with a 'free will'.* The unbelievers standing right now as you read is **John 3:18 He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.**

**John 3:36 He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.**

Hell is a literal place and is beneath your feet, **Proverbs 15:24 The way of life is above to the wise, that he may depart from hell beneath.** Hell is never full. **Proverbs 27:20 Hell and destruction are never full;** and many people go to hell because of their unbelief. **Matthew 7:13 ... for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat:**

**Hebrews 3:18-19 And to whom sware he that they should not enter into his rest, but to them that believed not? So we see that they could not enter in because of unbelief.** There are many lost souls that depart from here holding onto religion, belief in liberal humanistic morals, evolution, self-righteousness and many other things... At the end of the day their life has been nothing but vanity and has been futile because they have put their faith and trust in something that is erroneous and misplaced; their religion, career, business success, wealth, opinions and traditions, in self and in good works and they will end up in an eternity without hope. **Mark 8:36 For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?**

I am not sure if you have a Bible in the home, but if you do PLEASE read **Luke 16 { see page 6 of this document}** The chapter explains what happens to the lost soul and the eternal torments he has to suffer forever. I don't like talking about hell, BUT facts need to be faced and the burying of the head needs to be pulled out from the sand. We all need to face reality at some point in our lives. Why not now? In the Bible (KJV) the Lord Jesus Christ spoke more on hell than he did of heaven. Hell is a place that no-one should want to go even if they think that they will be with all their pals, which they won't because it is a place of torment where there is wailing and gnashing of teeth. { **Mt 13:42: Mt 13:50**} It's no party down there! If you have read **Luke 16** from the King James Bible ( aka Authorised Version 1611 ) you will have noticed amongst other things that the rich man that went to hell didn't want his family to go where he is. The only friend you have is in the Saviour Jesus Christ. **John 15:13 Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.** Our life is but a vapour, we are not sure of another day **James 4:14 Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a**

little time, and then vanisheth away. I urge you to take the time for some serious thought to your eternal destiny and to keep in mind that there is no greater love than God's love. This Bible verse here is an eternal security verse taken from **John 3:16** For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Please do not misunderstand. I write you out of God's love for you and to make you aware that although there is heaven, there is also hell. Which way will you choose? God has given you a **'free will'** to choose. Please don't make the same mistake like many people do. There are NO non-believers in hell; but waiting until that time is far too late. **2 Corinthians 6:2** (For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee: behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.)

PLEASE, **Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.** {**Col 3:2**} It's not too late to do that while you read this. I pray for your salvation. Jesus Christ is the only One that saves souls. **Acts 4:12** Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

Bearing his reproach ...Hebrews 13:13

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**Hebrews 7:25** Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them.

**John 3:7** Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again

**GOD CARES FOR YOUR SOUL** **Ezekiel 18:23** Have I any pleasure at all that the wicked should die? saith the Lord GOD: and not that he should return from his ways, and live?

**2 Peter 3:9** The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. \_

[I care too](#) - **Proverbs 27:6** *Faithful are the wounds of a friend; but the kisses of an enemy are deceitful.*

## **LUKE 16**

Please read the passage of Scripture below about the soul in Hell. The underlining of some of the passages are mine.

**Luke 16:19-31** There was a certain rich man, which was clothed in purple and fine linen, and fared sumptuously every day: And there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, which was laid at his gate, full of sores, And desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man's table: moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom: the rich man also died, and was buried; And in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame. But Abraham said, Son, remember that thou in thy lifetime receivedst thy good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things: but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented. And beside all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed: so that they which would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us, that would come from thence. Then he said, I pray thee therefore, father, that thou wouldest send him to my father's house: For I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment. Abraham saith unto him, They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them. And he said, Nay, father Abraham: but if one went unto them from the dead, they will repent. And he said unto him, If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead.

The above passage reveals a great deal about the soul in Hell. Notice that the soul has 'eyes' that has sight and the bodily shape soul feels **pain** "And in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off," The soul has a tongue, and a voice "And he cried and said," the bodily shape soul is conscious of Hell. The soul has fingers and **thirsts for water** and feels pain as he is burning in torments of the fire "that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame." The soul 'remembers' "But Abraham said, Son, remember .." No soul can get out of Hell "between us and you there is a great gulf fixed: so that they which would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us, that would come from thence." **The soul has a conscience and doesn't want his family members to go there** "that thou wouldest send him to my father's house: For I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment." Alas, even if someone came back from the dead to tell people that Hell is real don't go there!, people still wouldn't believe it. "If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead."

Hell is real! It is literal and is beneath your feet. Proverbs 15:24 The way of life is above to the wise, that he may depart from hell beneath. Isaiah 14:9 Hell from beneath is moved for thee to meet thee at thy coming: it stirreth up the dead for thee, even all the chief ones of the earth; it hath raised up from their thrones all the kings of the nations.

Hell is NEVER full *Proverbs 27:20 Hell and destruction are never full; ...*It was prepared for the Devil and his angels "Matthew 25:41 Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:"