

# There Is No Other Name

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*Acts 4:11-12 This [Jesus] is the 'stone which was rejected by you builders, which has become the chief cornerstone.' Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we **must** be saved."*

*1 John 5:10-12 He who believes in the Son of God has the witness in himself; he who does not believe God has made Him a liar, because he has not believed the testimony that God has given of His Son. And this is the testimony: that God has given us eternal life, **and this life is in His Son**. He who has the Son **has life**; he who does not have the Son of God **does not have life**. NKJV*

The scriptures of the New Testament are very clear that there is only one way to be saved from sin (i.e., go to heaven, have everlasting life, be forgiven, etc). If one desires fellowship with God, they **MUST** "have" Jesus by believing in His name. Refusing to do so means a person does not have life, meaning they will die in their sins and suffer eternally in a place the Bible calls hell.

When I became a Christian 34 years ago, all the professing Christians I knew understood this truth and most had memorized verses like the ones above. They were unwavering and emphatic that there was only one path to heaven, and that that path was through Jesus.

Things have certainly changed since then. This week the major news networks reported on a recent survey about what Americans believe. In an article titled, *Religious Americans: My faith isn't the only way*, Eric Gorski writes that seventy percent of "religious" America believes there are many paths to heaven. What is more shocking is that eighty-three percent of those who consider themselves "protestant" also share this view.

The scriptures predict that people will turn away from the truth in the last days (2 Tim 4:3-4). It sure appears we are there and I pray the reader will have sincere faith in Jesus as the only

way to be saved. All counterfeit roads do lead to the same place, but it is not heaven.

*John 8:24      "Therefore I said to you that you will die in your sins; for if you do not believe that I am He, you will die in your sins."*

*John 14:6      Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me. (NKJ)"*