Jesus Is The Only Path To Eternal Life

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We live in the season of Jesus' appearing to take us to the place that He's preparing for us. He may not come for us as soon as we would like, but the Rapture will happen before the Tribulation and all the signs tell us that this period of God's wrath upon the earth is ever so close.

Many are not ready for the Lord's return because they trust in something other than Jesus for their hope of eternal life. Good works, religious behavior, church attendance, etc. will not do; one cannot earn a future in heaven. As the day of Jesus' appearing approaches, it's critical that you know for sure that you belong to Jesus and possess eternal life.

I'm also writing for those left behind after the Rapture. As world descends into chaos and darkness, you may be wondering what caused so many people to suddenly disappear and if there's still time to respond to the saving message of the cross. Yes, there is! Please know that eternal life resides in Jesus and in Him alone. No one else! This is true now and will also be the case after Jesus removes His true church from the earth.

In John 14:6, Jesus said, "*I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.*" He alone is the path to the glories of heaven and eternity. Most people recognize John 3:16: "*For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.*" However, many do not understand the saving message inherent in the above words or the exclusive nature of God's offer of eternal life. Apart from Jesus, people will perish.

Jesus endured a horrific and cruel death on the cross because no other way existed to pay the penalty for the sins of a lost and condemned humanity. The payment for our sins had to come from a perfect sacrifice; the blood Jesus shed on the cross as the perfect God/Man satisfied the demands of God the Father for that perfect and righteous offering. Three days later, Jesus rose from the dead to prove that His claims are true. He later ascended into heaven and someday very soon will return for us, His true church. *All* these things comprise the essence of the Gospel. Let's further examine the good news of our salvation in terms of the past, present, and future...

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CCPO Note: At the web page for this article (link above), "Brad" posted an excellent comment to this article by Mr. Brentner. His comment is relevant to our 23 October, 2022 study in Deuteronomy: "Quoting you...'Jesus endured a horrific and cruel death on the cross because no other way existed to pay the penalty for the sins of a lost and condemned humanity.' And my thoughts...those who refuse to place their faith in Jesus' atonement will also "endure a horrific and cruel death (eternally) because God is just and requires satisfaction for all sin. Either Jesus pays it for you, or you pay yourself. Been reading Deuteronomy chp's 27/28, all of Jeremiah, and Revelation 6-19 in tandem lately. Very difficult reading that speaks to God's fierce wrath and just indignation against sinners that will be poured out upon an unbelieving world. Thank You for your reminder to be aware of our 'blessed hope' for believers and a concern for those not yet saved. Blessings, Brad."