



Have you ever known somebody that was so amazing that you thought they were just "perfect"? And then, sadly, they let you down. We all want perfect relationships, but really don't like to admit that we have our own faults. The truth is, *nobody's perfect.*

But some people *think* they are perfect. They believe they are better than everyone else and that everybody exists to serve them. Maybe they are good looking. They might even be better looking than the doll on the front cover of this message! Or maybe there is another reason that makes them think that they are better than everyone else. Do you know anyone like that? Are you like that? Do you think you are perfect?



There are also those who are honest with themselves and others. They *know* they aren't perfect and will admit it. When they do something wrong, they don't pretend to be innocent.

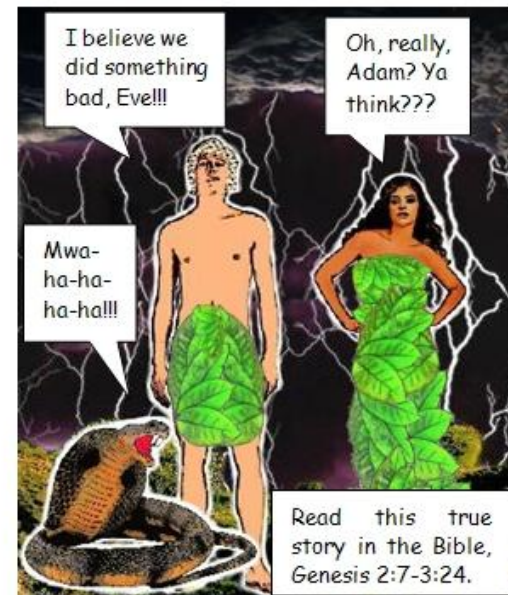


And there are others who *seem* to be perfect. Maybe they are nice and look important, so you think they are special. But they can be wrong about very important things. If you believe everything they say, it could ruin your life and even destroy your soul!



Can a priest get you to heaven? No way! Only God can forgive sins, through His Son Jesus Christ alone. A priest can *not* forgive your sins! "For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus. . ." (The Bible, 1 Timothy 2:5) Don't be fooled!

Thousands of years ago, when God created our first parents, Adam and Eve, He created them perfect, completely innocent. But when they disobeyed God by eating a "forbidden fruit," they were no longer perfect. Just that **one sin** of disobedience cost them their souls! And God kicked them out of the Garden of Eden.



Do you remember *God's holy servant, Moses*—the man that God gave the Ten Commandments to? When Moses lost his temper, God was not happy with him. Because of that **one sin** God kept him out of the *Promised Land*.

You see, *God loves* people, but He *hates* their sins. And just **one sin** is enough to keep you out of heaven. As the Bible says, "For whoever shall keep the whole law [God's law], and yet stumble in one point, he is guilty of all." (The Bible, James 2:10) That's bad news, because

nobody's perfect. We all sin. Sins are things that make God angry. They can be things that we do, say, or even think.



QUIZ YOURSELF

HAVE YOU EVER:

- TOLD A LIE, EVEN ONCE?
- HATED SOMEONE? (MURDER OF THE HEART)
- DISLIKED SOMEONE FOR THEIR SKIN COLOR?
- LOOKED WITH LUST? (ADULTERY OF THE HEART)
- STOLEN ANYTHING?
- PRAYED TO ANY STATUE, IMAGE, OR ANYONE OTHER THAN GOD? (IDOLATRY)
- DISRESPECTED OR DISOBEYED YOUR PARENTS?
- USED GOD'S NAME AS A CURSE WORD? (BLASPHEMY)
- GOT DRUNK OR GOT HIGH ON DRUGS?
- EXPERIMENTED WITH MAGIC? (WITCHCRAFT/SORCERY)

All of the above are sins. Can you think of anything else that you have ever done that makes God angry?

Now here's the problem. Only perfect people can go to heaven—or forgiven people. Everyone else goes to hell. That's very scary! So you must have your sins forgiven to get to heaven. Remember, only God can forgive sins.

God must punish all sin in hell. But He doesn't want you to go to hell, because He loves you so much. So His perfect Son, Jesus Christ, came from heaven to Earth to willingly suffer and die for your sins on a cross, so that you can be forgiven and go to heaven! After 3 days, Jesus came back alive again and is now ruling in heaven!

If you truly believe this and in prayer turn from all your sins, God will instantly forgive all your sins and give you His free gift of eternal life in heaven! Pray something like this: "Dear God, I now turn from all my sinful desires and make Jesus Christ my Lord forever. Please forgive my sins because of what Jesus did for me on the cross. Thank you for giving me your free gift of eternal life in heaven right now. I pray in Jesus' name." Now talk to God and read the Bible every day—and obey it.

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"But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up." (The Bible, 2 Peter 3:10)



"Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect." (The Bible, Matthew 24:44)

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