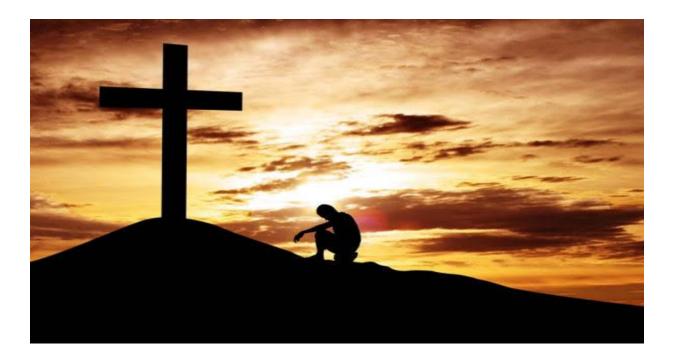
TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE NEWS



When a person buys a new car, we all agree it is good news to be shared. When we dedicate or perform a house warming ceremony; acquire a new property; get promoted or receive news of safe delivery of babies, we know that they are all good news. However, there is one good news that is too good to be true news. It is the good news of the kingdom and it has to do with all that God has done for mankind by His grace. I will be glad to share some with you here.

Even though we all became sinners through what Adam did and not necessarily because of our individual acts of disobedience to the known will of God Rom 5:19, yet God still justified and died for the ungodly! Rom 4:5;5:6. To justify is to declare not only forgiven or pardoned but discharged and acquitted. In order words, our sins have been paid for and so God is no longer angry with us. God is not in a bad mood with us. Isaiah 54:9. All your sins have been forgiven and these include past, present and the sins you have not committed yet and that is awesome and incredible 1Jn 2:2. We are free from the guilt, punishment and condemnation of sin forever Heb 9:11-12. He is not imputing our trespasses to us 2Cor 5: 19-21 and by that He has made us His righteousness, we are right with God. Sin no longer separates between us and our God laiah 59:1-2. These are too good to be true. Yes, the fact is that they are true and that is why it is called the gospel or good news.

The question is how could a Holy and just God do this for us even when we don't deserve it and we have not even asked for it? It was because someone took our place, suffered for the punishment of our sins. All of God's wrath, condemnation and anger for sin were borne by Him 1

Pet 2:24. He went to hell and suffered for our sakes Is 53:4-5. He was beaten, smitten and later crucified on the cross for transgressions. He paid the ultimate penalty by giving His life for us. Who is this person that loves us so much as to do all these for us the ungodly? He is Jesus, the Son of God.

Jesus came purposely to restore and reconcile mankind back unto God. This is eternal life. God wants to have a relationship with you. John 3:16 says, "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" Eternal life is not just living for ever as you may think, in Jn 17: 3 Jesus Himself defined eternal life as knowing the true God and His Son Jesus Christ. It is having an intimate personal relationship with God. God Almighty wants to be talking to you and you talking to Him, relating and fellowshipping with one another. That is good news. This is what Adam lost in the garden but now it is restored, halleluyah.

You may be asking so how could this be mine? The shocking news is that they are already yours and all you need to do is to receive them by acknowledging your need of salvation for all have sinned and come short of the glory of God Rom 3:23. Admit that you are a sinner; believe that Jesus died for your sin, that He was raised for your justification and then confess Him as your Lord and Saviour. You will be saved. Rom 10:9-10.

Will you receive Jesus into your heart now? If yes please say this prayer,"Father, I am sorry for my sin. I believe that Jesus died for my sin and he was raised for my justification. Thank you for forgiving all my sin. Jesus you are my Lord and Saviour, I am saved.`

Congratulations and welcome into the kingdom and family of God. You are now born again 2Cor 5:17 and have become the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus, holy and accepted without any condemnation at all. God is merciful to you and your sins and iniquities he will remember no more. He loves you unconditionally. Good news indeed. Eph. 4:24; Rom 8:1; 2Cor 5:21; Col 1:13 and Heb 8:12.

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