

The Mailbox Club

Course 1

Lesson 1



A Country Called Heaven

A Message before you start...

Dear Friend,

This is the first of seven exciting lessons which you may receive free from The Mailbox Club.

Here's all you have to do:

- 1) Read the lesson carefully.
- 2) Fill in the answer sheet.
- 3) Mail it back to us.

We will grade your lesson and send it back to you with the next lesson. If you do good work, we will put a star on your lesson. When you finish the seven lessons, we will send you a beautiful certificate with your name on it!

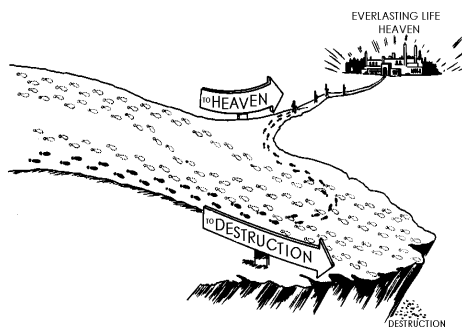
Dear Friend,

Did you know that, right now, you and I are taking a long, long walk? I will be doing a lot of talking as we go along the path, so walk close to me and listen as hard as you can. Be sure to ask all the questions you want.

"WHAT KIND OF PATH ARE WE ON?"

There, that was a good question! I'll tell you the answer. We are on the Path of Life. I got on the Path of Life when I was born. You got on the Path of Life when you were born. Now you and I are walking together along the Path of Life. The best guide to help us as we go along is the

Bible. There is no other book like it because the Bible is the Word of God.



WAIT A MINUTE!

We suddenly see that there are two ways before us. One is a narrow road leading up. The

other is a broad road leading down.

We must choose one of these roads. No one else can make the choice for us. We must choose for ourselves which road we will take in life.

The Lord Jesus told us where these roads lead. The broad road leads to destruction. Many people are on this road. The narrow road leads to everlasting life in Heaven. "What is Heaven like?"

Heaven is God's home and it is more beautiful than anything we could ever imagine. The Bible tells us that the city of God is made of pure gold with all kinds of precious stones.

There is no need of the sun or the moon in Heaven because the glory of God lightens this land. There is never any night there.

Everything in Heaven is clean and pure. No sin or impure thing will ever be allowed to enter this city.

In Heaven, there is no sorrow, no crying, no pain, and no death. All our loved ones who died trusting Jesus will be there. We will know our loved ones and they will know us. Best of all, we will see our Savior, the Lord Jesus. That's where I want to go, and I'm sure you want to go there too.

Now, I have some wonderful news for you - God wants you to be in Heaven with Him. Do you know why God wants you in Heaven? Because He loves you!

It doesn't matter who you are, or what you look like, or where you live, God loves you. And He wants you to be in Heaven with Him.

But there is something we must do if we want to go to Heaven. We must choose the narrow road by taking the Lord Jesus as our Savior.

LOOK! We see that there are five steps on the narrow road that leads to Heaven. There are words on each step, so let's see what the words say. We'll have to start at the bottom and read up.



Did you read the five steps? That's good. Now let's talk about them. We will have a Bible verse for each step.

Step 1. **I HAVE SINNED**

"For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God." Romans 3:10, 23

What does this verse tell us? It tells us that we have all sinned. This means that we have all said and done wrong things. In His Word, God tells us what is right and what is wrong. But we have broken God's commandments. We have all sinned.

Have you ever told a lie? Have you ever stolen anything? Have you ever disobeyed your parents? Have you ever said bad words or used God's name in a wrong way? Have you ever hated someone? God says that these things are sin, and we cannot go to Heaven with sin in our heart.

Sin is a terrible thing. It hurts us and it hurts others. But the worst thing about sin is this -- it hurts God's heart. Do you know why sin hurts God's heart? Because He loves us so much.

Is God speaking to your heart right now and reminding you of some wrong things that you have said or done? If you want to be saved, you must be sorry for your sins and want to stop doing them.

Step 2. **GOD LOVES ME**

"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." John 3:16

Because we are sinners, we need a Savior. This verse tells us that God has given His Son to us to be our Savior. This means that He gave the Lord Jesus to die on the cross for our sins.

When God says "the world," He means everyone in the world. That includes you and me! And when He says "whosoever," He means **anyone**. You can put your

name in this verse. Why not do it right now?

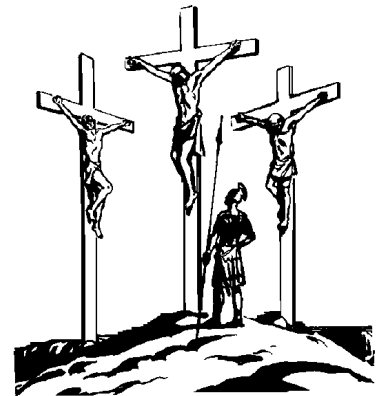
For God so loved _____ that He gave His only begotten Son that _____ believing in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

Now read it out loud with your name in the blank spaces. There, that is good news, isn't it?

Step 3. **CHRIST DIED FOR ME**

"God commendeth (He showed) His love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." Romans 5:8

This verse tells us that God loved us while we were yet sinners and that He gave His Son to die for us.



God could not overlook our sins or pretend that He did not know about them. God must punish sin. But God allowed the Lord Jesus to take our punishment. He allowed Jesus to die for our sins.

The Lord Jesus died for sinners. He died for you and He died for me. You can say, "Christ died for **me!**" Say it right now -- "Christ died for **me!**"

Not only did Christ die for your sins, but He also rose again from the dead. He is a living Savior! He has all power in Heaven and in earth. He can forgive your sins and make you a child of God.

Step 4. I RECEIVE HIM

Our next verse tells us how to become a child of God. The Bible says,

"...as many as received Him (the Lord Jesus Christ), to them gave He power to become the sons of God. . ."
John 1:12

To become a child of God, you must come as a sinner to the Lord Jesus and receive Him as your Savior.

God has given the Lord Jesus to you to be your Savior, but you must receive Him; that is, you must take Him as your own Savior. When you take the Lord Jesus as your Savior, you become a child of God.

How do I take the Lord Jesus as my Savior?"



You take Him as your Savior by asking Him to come into your heart. Your heart is like a house with a door. The Lord Jesus said,

"Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I WILL COME IN. . ."
Revelation 3:20

Step 5. I HAVE EVER-LASTING LIFE

"He that believes on the Son has everlasting life. . ."
John 3:36

This verse tells us that if we believe on the Lord Jesus, we have everlasting life. Say the verse to yourself right now -- "He that believes on the Son has everlasting life."

There, you understand that, don't you? We have been talking for a long time. Are you ready to make your choice? Would you like to choose the road that leads to Heaven? You can take Christ as your Savior right now, and you will always be glad you did!

Since this is just between you and the Lord, it will be best if you can find a quiet place where you can be alone for a few minutes. So, right now, before you read the next part, find a quiet place where you can be alone with the Lord Jesus.

Now you are ready to talk to the Lord Jesus. Think carefully about each step and say the words softly.

Step 1. I HAVE SINNED

"Lord Jesus, I know that I have sinned, and I am truly sorry for my sins."

Step 2. GOD LOVES ME

"Father, I thank You for loving me so much and for giving Your Son to die for my sins."

Step 3. CHRIST DIED FOR ME

"Lord Jesus, I do believe that You are the Son of God and that You died on the cross for my sins. Thank You for loving me so much."

Step 4. I RECEIVE HIM

"Lord Jesus, please come into my heart and be my Savior. Right now I take You

as my Savior. Please forgive me of my sins and make me a child of God."

Step 5. I HAVE EVERLASTING LIFE

"Thank You, Lord Jesus for coming into my heart and for being my Savior. And thank You for giving me everlasting life."

When I believe that Jesus died for my sins and I receive Him as my Savior, I have everlasting life. I am saved. My sins are forgiven. I am a child of God. It is just as simple as that.

How do we know that we have everlasting life? We know because God says so in His Word. The Bible says,

"He that believes on the Son has everlasting life..."
John 3:36

Whose word is this? It is God's Word, so we know that it is true.

**God said it!
I believe it!
That settles it!**

Being a child of God is the most wonderful thing in all the world, but let me tell you a secret: It will not **always** be easy while we are here on earth.

We will have many troubles and trials as we travel to our home in Heaven. But we do not have to be afraid if the Lord Jesus is living in our hearts. He has promised,

"I will never leave you."
Hebrews 13:5

If you have taken the Lord Jesus as your Savior, we would like to know about it. At the bottom of your answer sheet, you

will find a place where you can tell us of your decision.

If you are not sure that you are saved, read this lesson over again and ask the Lord

Jesus to make it clear to you. Remember, being saved is the most important thing in all the world.

Discovered Gem

◆ When I believe that Jesus died for my sins and I take Him as my Savior, I am saved!



Dear Friend,

Greetings from The Mailbox Club! We will be so happy to have you as a member. Here are some things you will want to know:

- As a faithful member of the Mailbox Club, you should send your answer sheet back within a week if possible.
- Keep your lessons in a notebook or some other safe place.
- If you lose a lesson or you do not hear from us in a long time, write us and we will be glad to send you another lesson. (You should write our address in your Bible or some safe place so you will always know how to write us.)
- Learn the **MEMORY VERSES** in the lessons.
- Send **ONLY** the answer sheet back to us.

God bless you!

MEMORY VERSE FOR LESSON 1

*"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."
John 3:16*

☆ Get a STAR...

If you do good work, you will receive a star on your answer sheet.

☆ Get a GOLD STAR...

If you get a star on all seven lessons, you will get a big, GOLD star on your certificate!

GET THE NEXT LESSON!

Hurry and send in Lesson I NOW so we can send you the Next Exciting Lesson...

"What is God Like?"

Do it Today!

STOP. Please study the lesson carefully before filling in the answers.

EXAM QUESTIONS: Fill in every blank.

1. As we walked along the Path of Life, we found that the Path divided into _____ ways.

2. We must _____ for ourselves which road we will take.

3. START at the bottom and write in the five steps we learned in this lesson.

5. _____

4. _____

3. _____

2. _____

1. _____

4. To become a child of God, I must come as a _____ to the Lord Jesus and _____ Him as my _____.

5. When I _____ that Jesus died for my sins and I _____ Him as my own Savior, I have _____

Tell us about yourself.....Please Print!

You must return answer sheet before you get next lesson.

Name _____

Age _____ (Check if adult _____) Grade _____ School _____

Parent's name _____

Mailing address _____

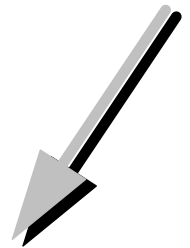
Town _____ State _____ Zip _____

My birthday is _____. The name I liked to be called is _____.

Did you memorize the Memory Verse for this lesson? _____

Have you received the Lord Jesus as your Saviour? _____

When? _____



DON'T FORGET TO WRITE IN YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS!

Send in your answer sheet only!