

Is Jesus our Savior?

Jesus surely is our Savior alright, but the question could be, to save us from what? And any Christian will say - to save us from sin. Yes – okay, but please tell me how that works. How does Jesus dying for me, save me? I surely believe He did, but could there be more to the story that Jesus couldn't tell us until now? (John 16:12)

Another thing that's been assumed within the religious world is that God's rules are legal rules where Jesus has paid the legal fine for us. Are we sure about that?

It's said by biblical scholars that the broken law of God demanded the life of the sinner, therefore, since we have all sinned, it would apparently follow that we all deserve to die. But good news has been proclaimed by the traditional legal camp, that Jesus died in our place. It's good news because if He hadn't, it's also said that the Father would have tortured us in the burning fires of Hell.

Again, are we sure? Ultimately, shouldn't good behavior be more genuine, rather than being terrified or obligated into it? I know that God will take us anyway He can get us, and some of us may have needed 'scare tactics' in order to be turned around – so who am I to say this journey wasn't needed? Just maybe it's been a beginning towards proper behavior for many – which could be a good reason why the traditional plan of salvation has been taught with scare tactics.

So as not to be too quick to put the legal view plan of salvation down – we must consider the fact that within spiritual things there are usually small steps of growth for each one of us.

So if you're a thinking person, get ready for one of those steps, which is to consider God's rules as instructive and descriptive instead of legal demands.

Meaning - God made us to function in a certain way, even giving us instructions by writing them on tables of stone of how the human machine was made to work.

But somehow, biblical scholars have turned, going against these instructions into legal consequences instead of real mechanical malfunctions.

We can make a comparison by commanding, "Thou shalt not put sugar water into the fuel tank of your automobile." For those of you that don't know – the sugar water would cause the engine to freeze up and die.

So again, if you're a thinking person, this little comparison should be a huge enlightenment to how God's instructions have been switched from mechanical to legal.

But at the same time, by viewing the whole picture, just maybe there was a good reason for God to allow the biblical scholars to have taken this detoured path of legalities away from the real issue of why Jesus came as our Savior.

Maybe it would begin to make sense if we were to realize this as God's way of exposing Satan evil ways. Hasn't he been allowed, from the beginning of time, to roam the earth doing everything he could to distort the character of God – even including the early sacred writings, as well?

Could it be that God found it necessary to put us through the experiences of being deceived, the same as Eve was – for how else is God going to get us humble enough to listen?

With that in mind, what would be the better good news, that Jesus came to die in our place, because if He didn't the Father would have tortured us in the burning fires of Hell – **OR** – would it be **better** good news that Jesus came to reveal the Father as being just like Him – just as loving, just as gracious and forgiving as He? Surely, no one to be afraid of!

Yes, Jesus came as our Savior alright - He came to save us from the distorted views of His Father that Satan was allowed to proclaim. He came to give us reason to love the ways of God within the principles He lived by. Remember Jesus said, "If you have seen me, you have seen the Father."

So could one more step be, to realize that the real issue, throughout the entire universe, is over the character of God – what He is like, instead of what we are supposed to 'believe' in one of the thousands of different religions, in order to be saved?

So if anyone is awake out there, maybe we should be spending more time on what a loving God would have to be like in order to see Him as loving – instead of falling for Satan's lies about God demanding a legal solution to the sin problem.

For after all, we can be legally forgiven for speeding, if the fine is paid. But what keeps me from speeding again? Thought provoking, wouldn't you say?

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But through it all, we must know that God is in ultimate control of the universe, therefore having a sound, solid reason for the **why** of such a chaotic world. Could the **why** be what Jesus couldn't tell us when He was here? (Referenced in John 16:12)

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Thought Provoking Questions

Did Christ come to change the Father's mind, or our mind?

Did God really make a 'down-under' place of torture, call Hell?

Within our free will, what secures the universe against evil for eternity?

Didn't rebellion begin in Heaven with Lucifer, instead of Adam and Eve?

If you had rebellion in your family, how would you solve it?

Did God's forgiveness come before or after repentance?

What is the good news of the gospel?