

DO YOU HAVE A BEAUTIFUL LIFE?

Do you like beautiful things and beautiful people? Beauty can mean different things to each of us. My idea of a beautiful day is sunshine and blue skies. But someone else may prefer a cloudy, misty, even stormy day.

Some people are “beautiful” on the inside. They have a peaceful, joyful, helpful spirit. For them life is beautiful. Others wear their unhappiness on the outside. For them life is sad.

How does someone begin their journey to a beautiful life? Does it make sense that the answer would come from the Creator of beauty? Our very first parents on earth insisted on ignoring our Creator instead of depending on Him, the one true God. At that time everything on our planet was beautiful, just as God had made it. But Adam and Eve chose to violate God’s beautiful plan. The Bible, God’s love letter to us, calls their choice “sin.”

Having more “stuff” would not have made their lives beautiful. God had already given them the entire earth! Our Creator loved Adam and Eve so much – and He loves you and me so much – that He sent His only Son, Jesus Christ, to earth to show us what true beauty is. In fact, Jesus, who was God-in-flesh, was crucified to pay the death penalty for ALL sin --- yours, mine, everybody’s!

Life can only be beautiful if you and your Creator are on good terms. Accepting God’s total forgiveness for your sins is the key to that kind of life. It’s not about trying to become a better person. It’s not about being religious. It’s all about putting your trust in God and in what Jesus did for you in taking your place on that cross.

John, one of Jesus’ closest friends, writes in the Bible “... God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life.”

If you give control of your life to Jesus, will everything suddenly get beautiful? Will your bank account be bigger? Will you never get sick again? Will you move into a castle? God promises to give you gifts that are far more beautiful -- a clear conscience, genuine peace, freedom from having to earn God’s love, and the power not to sin, no more fear of death or God’s final judgment. And on and on.

A beautiful life with Jesus Christ never ends because He Himself is life, and He wants to become your life. God’s invitation to you in the Bible is simply this: “Whoever calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” Will you call on him to save you today? It would be a beautiful thing to do.

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