In order to make it to Heaven to be with God when you die, you must ask yourself, "what would keep me from going to Heaven?"

I. What would keep me from going to Heaven? A. Sin keeps us from Heaven

1. (Romans 3:23) "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God".

a) Whether it is a big sin or a small sin, the sin is what keep us from Heaven, because

there is no one who has sin in Heaven.

- **2.** (I John 3:4) "Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law."
 - a) God gave us laws to abide by, and yet we have broken His law: which makes us sinners.
 - b) You see, God is just, and because He is just He demands payment from breaking the law. And that is why it is said in the scriptures, *"For the wages of sin is death;"* (Romans 6:23).
 - c) The penalty for breaking God's law is death. This is spiritual death, which is separation from God. And if we cannot be with God the alternative is Hell.
 - d) God's loves us in spite of our sin, and does not want us to be separated from Him for all eternity: He does not want us to end up in Hell. Therefore in His great love for you and me, He paid the penalty of sin for us, by sending His only begotten Son Jesus Christ to die on the cross of Calvary. By the sacrifice of **His perfect Blood** that was shed upon the cross we can go free.

(1) You see, The payment that Jesus made for us on the cross of Calvary is the only payment that will appease the wrath of God, so that we can go free.

- (2) God proved His love to every sinner by dying for us all. As it is written in (Romans 5:8): "But God commendeth His love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us". And again it is said in (John 3:16): "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should no perish, but have everlasting life.".
- (3) We must put our faith in the Blood of Jesus
 Christ, as God payment that He made for our sins, so that we can be saved from our sin.
- (4) The whole scene of Jesus dying on the cross, His burial, and His resurrection: it was all done by the grace and love of God, in attempt to justify us, and make us free from the penalty of sin, so that we could be with Him for evermore. Again, it is written in the Bible that He *"was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification"* (Romans 4:25).
- 3. In conclusion: If we want to be freed from the penalty of our sin, and make it to Heaven when we die: we must be able to humble our selves before God and confess that we are sinners, and that we believe that Jesus died for our sin. We must humbly ask God to save us from our sin, **believing** that He will because He loves us.

a) Pay attention to this last example from the Scriptures. "That if thou shalt confess

with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." (Romans 10:9-10)

4. By putting your **faith in Him** to save you from your sin, He will smile from Heaven upon you, and He will forgive your sins, and He will make you His child by putting His Spirit in you, that He might be with you. And as long as He is in you, He will take you to Heaven when you die. **You must trust in Jesus Christ and Him alone as your Saviour.**

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