

# ARE YOU WITH GOD OR AGAINST HIM?

- **Jesus said, "Whoever is not with me is against me"** (Matt 12:30). Many people say they are with God, but disagree with what God actually says. Let's see if you are with God or against Him. "It is impossible for God to lie" (Heb 6:18). "Let God be true though every one were a liar" (Rom 3:4). "Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! 'For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor?'" (Rom 11:33-34)
- **"Sin" means to miss the mark and fall short of God's standard. It is an act of rebellion and disobedience to God's law.** Some examples of sin are: envy, jealousy, gossip, slander, pride, arrogance, lying, stealing, revenge, hate, anger, murder, covetousness, lust, adultery, sex outside of marriage, homosexuality, greed, disobeying parents, drunkenness, cowardice, giving approval to those who practice these things (Matt 5:21-28; Rom 1:29-32; 1 Cor 6:9-10; Gal 5:19-21; Rev 21:8).
- **God says you are a sinner.** "The LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intention of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually." (Gen 6:5) "Who can say, "I have made my heart pure; I am clean from my sin?" (Prov 20:9) "If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us . . . If we say we have not sinned, we make God a liar, and his word is not in us." (1 John 1:8, 10) "None is righteous, no, not one . . . no one seeks for God . . . no one does good, not even one . . . 'There is no fear of God before their eyes.'" (Rom 3:10, 11, 12, 18)
- **God is Holy. "Holy" means set apart and above all.** "There is none holy like the LORD" (1 Sam 2:2). "Who is like you, O LORD . . . majestic in holiness" (Exod 15:11). "This God—His way is perfect" (Ps 18:30). "For you are not a God who delights in wickedness; evil may not dwell with you." (Ps 5:4)
- **God commands you to obey His law and His law demands perfect obedience.** "Cursed be everyone who does not abide by all things written in the Book of the Law, and do them." (Gal. 3:10) "For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become guilty of all of it." (James 2:10)
- **You know you're guilty of disobeying God's law and this is very serious.** "Your iniquities have made a separation between you and your God" (Isaiah 59:2). God hates all who do evil (Ps 5:5). "The wages of sin is death" (Rom 6:23). →

- **God is Judge. You will be held accountable.** "And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account." (Heb 4:13) "It is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment" (Heb 9:27). "It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God." (Heb 10:31) "There is only one lawgiver and judge, he who is able to save and to destroy." (James 4:12)
- **But God is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness (Exod 34:6).** God "takes no pleasure in the death of the wicked" (Ezek 33:11). He is patient, not wishing that any should perish, but that all turn from their way (2 Peter 3:9).
- **By trusting in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, you can have peace with God and be saved from the wrath of God (Rom 5:1, 9).** You can be freed from your sins (Rev 1:5). "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners" (1 Tim 1:15). "For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus" (1 Tim 2:5). "Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.'" (John 14:6) In Jesus Christ alone we become the righteousness of God (2 Cor 5:21). In Jesus Christ alone is everlasting and eternal life (John 3:16). "But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God" (John 1:12).
- **If you do not repent and believe in Jesus Christ, you will die in your sins (Mark 1:15; John 8:24, Heb 10:26-31).** "Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life; whoever does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God remains on him." (John 3:36)

**Come to Jesus and find rest for your soul!**

(Matt. 11:28-30)

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