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'...that you may know that you have eternal life.' 1 John 5:13

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WARNINGS UNHEEDED MOUNT SAINT HELENS

Erupted May 18, 1980

and spewed 540 million tons of ash into the air and
killed 57 people.



Mr. Truman lived five miles from Mount Saint Helens on the edge of Spirit Lake. Those knowledgeable about volcanos expected the mountain to erupt at any moment and repeatedly warned those living in the area of the great danger. Despite the many warnings, Mr. Truman stayed. Perhaps he felt it would never happen, or if it did happen he would be safe in his home several miles away.

On Sunday, May 18, 1980, it happened. An unbelievable explosion took place, blowing away the top 1,300 feet of the mountain. 400 million tons of ash were thrown into the earth's atmosphere. Trees which towered 150 feet high were blown over like match sticks as far away as 17 miles. Over 200 square miles were devastated. A massive land slide pushed water out of the lake, causing a 200-foot-high wall of water to crash down through the valley below.

Extremely hot gas, ash, and rock travelled at the speed of 200 miles per hour, destroying everything in its path. Automobiles miles away were buried, with occupants suffocated by ash.

Two photographers who were as far away as eight miles from the blast were killed. Yakima, a city 85 miles from the blast had midnight blackness at 9:30 in the morning due to the pillar of ash which was over 10 miles high.

And yes, Harry Truman was killed and his home destroyed. In fact, neither he, nor his house were ever found again. For whatever reason, he just would not listen and ignored all the warnings.

Let me ask you a question, "Are you ignoring God's warning to you?" The Bible repeatedly warns us of coming judgment. Like Mr. Truman, many just do not think it is going to happen.

Noah warned the people of his day that judgment was coming, and they laughed at him. They thought he was just an old fool. Listen to what Jesus Christ said about Noah's day, and how He likens it to when He will come back as the Son of Man to judge the earth.

JUDGEMENT – SUDDEN & UNEXPECTED WARNING FROM JESUS CHRIST

"And as it was in the days of Noah, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man. They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed them all." (Luke 17:28-29)

Just like with Mount Saint Helens, warnings were sent out, but the people ignored them. Then suddenly, without notice, the judgment came. This will be true when Christ comes again in judgment.

Now not only will Christ judge the earth, but everyone who has rejected Him as their Savior will face Him as their Judge. "And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment." (Hebrews 9:27)

Are you putting off preparing for that day? Do you think somehow it will not affect you? Somehow you will be okay. Like Mr. Truman, it would be very foolish on your part to ignore the coming judgment. It will come, and it will come suddenly. You could enter eternity today!

Why not open your Bible and see how you can be saved from God's righteous judgment. Just as God provided the ark for Noah, He has provided a way of escape from coming eternal judgment for those who respond to His warnings today.

The following verses from the Bible are printed here to get you started. After reading them we suggest you read the Gospel of John.

"Thou shalt call his name Jesus for he shall save his people from their sins."
Matthew 1:21

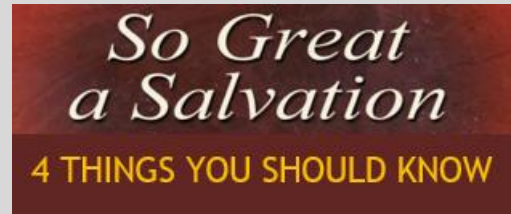
"For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost." Luke 19:10

"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

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life." John 5:24

"Sirs, what must I do to be saved? And they said - Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved " Acts 16:30-31

"For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast."
Ephesians 2:8-9 Spread the Word



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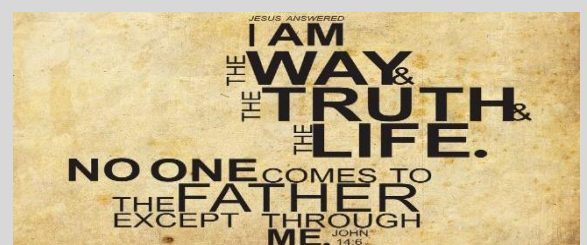
YOU NEED TO BE SAVED

- ▶ For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God (Romans 3:23).
- ▶ There is not a just man upon earth, that doeth good and sinneth not. (Ecclesiastes 7:20).
- ▶ The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked (Jeremiah 17:9).
- ▶ All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned everyone to his own way (Isaiah 53:6).
- ▶ We are by nature the children of wrath, even as others (Ephesians 2:3).
- ▶ Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God (John 3:3).

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YOU CANNOT SAVE YOURSELF

- ▶ Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us (Titus 3:5).
- ▶ By grace are ye saved through faith: and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God (Ephesians 2:8).
- ▶ By the works of the law shall no flesh be justified (Galatians 2:16).
- ▶ He hath made Him (Christ), who knew no sin, to be sin for us, that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him (2 Corinthians 5:21).



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**YOU MUST CHOOSE CHRIST
FOR SALVATION**

- ▶ For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be saved (John 3:17).
- ▶ He that believeth on Him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already (John 3:18).
- ▶ He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him (John 3:36).
- ▶ Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners (1 Timothy 1:15).
- ▶ Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men whereby we must be saved. (Acts 4:12).

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**YOU MUST BELIEVE ON THE
LORD JESUS CHRIST**

- ▶ BELIEVE – Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved (Acts 16:31).
- ▶ RECEIVE – As many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His name (John 1:12).
- ▶ CONFESS – If thou shalt confess with thy mouth Jesus as Lord, and shall believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved (Romans 10:9).

A ♦ WITHOUT HEALTH ♦ WITHOUT
MAN WEALTH ♦ WITHOUT FAME
 ♦ WITHOUT A GREAT NAME
MAY ♦ WITHOUT LEARNING
 ♦ WITHOUT EARNINGS ♦ WITHOUT
GO CULTURE ♦ WITHOUT BEAUTY
TO ♦ WITHOUT FRIENDS
HEAVEN ♦ WITHOUT 10,000 OTHER THINGS

**BUT HE CAN NEVER GO TO HEAVEN
WITHOUT CHRIST**

**A WARNING****TO THOSE WHO REJECT CHRIST**

- ▶ REMEMBER – It is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment (Hebrews 9:27).
- ▶ So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God (Romans 14:12).

**THE JOY
OF THOSE WHO TRUST CHRIST**

Rejoice, because your names
are written in heaven (Luke 10:20).

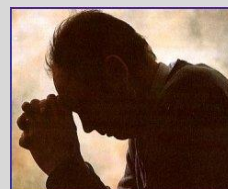
Therefore being justified by faith, we
have peace with God through our Lord
Jesus Christ (Rom.5: 1).

WHEN TO TRUST CHRIST? – NOW!

Seek ye the Lord
while He may be found,
call upon Him while He is near
(Isaiah 55:6).

For whosoever shall call upon the name
of the Lord shall be saved
(Romans 10:13).

Now is the accepted time; behold, now
is the day of salvation
(2 Corinthians 6:2).

POINT TO PONDER

Unbelief is
a wilful attack on the
righteous character
of God. Anon

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