

God is Holy and commands "be Holy, for I am Holy" (Isa 6:3, 55:8-9, 2 Cron 2:6, 6:18, Neh 9:6; 1 Pet 1:15-16; Matt 5:48). God is a righteous judge (Psa 98:9) all powerful and knowing (Psa 147:5, Heb 13:8). You can't avoid His justice (Psa 139:8, Dan 4:35) He "searches the heart" and will "render to every man according to his deeds." (Jer 17:10) God is love and hates evil (1 John 4:16, Prov 6:16-19). He shows mercy to "thousands that love Him" but won't "clear the guilty" (Deut 7:9, Num 14:18). Are you a "good" person before God? Well, have you lied? (Exo 20:16) "Liars have their part in the lake of fire." (Rev 21:8) Have you lusted, or hated without cause? (Ex 20:13-14) Jesus said this is adultery and murder (Mat 5:21-22, 28). God gave you life! Have you used His Name to cuss? "He will not hold him guiltless that takes His name in vain" (Exo 20:7). So, you're a lying, adulterous, murdering blasphemer before a Holy God, and if you break "one commandment" you are guilty of all (James 2:10). "The soul that sins shall die" (Eze 18:4) and be cast into Hell (flames, darkness) (Mark 9:48, Matt 25:30, Luke 16:23, Rev 14:11). Sin is an infinite offense against a Holy God so an eternal Hell is just (Rom 2:9). If a criminal says "Sorry" is a judge going to let him go? No, he will say, "You're sorry, but the Law requires justice."



“Sorry” doesn’t clear guilt. Before God “there is none righteous” (Rom 3:10-18; Isa 64:6) and it is an abomination to justify the wicked (Prov 17:15). So how can a Holy God forgive sinners? Consider, a criminal can’t pay the fine, but if another pays; then justice is satisfied. This is what Jesus did for you (1 Tim 1:15, Rom 5:6, 1 Cor 15:3, Heb 9:15). God took on flesh (Heb 2:14), Jesus lived a sinless life and in love offered Himself on the cross baring the wrath of God for your sin (John 3:16-18, 1 Pet 1:19, 3:18, John 8:46). He died, was buried, and resurrected; showing the penalty for sin fully paid (Luke, 9:22, Rom 4:25). Salvation is by grace through faith in Jesus (Eph 2:8, Acts 4:12, John 14:6). God commands “all men everywhere to repent” and put their faith in Jesus alone (Acts 17:30, Mark 1:15). Those that repent and believe will have eternal life and forgiveness of sins. You will be spiritually “born again” (2 Cor 5:17; John 3:3-8) and God will change your heart to desire Holiness. Your sin will be put on Jesus, and His righteousness to you (2 Cor 5:21, 1 Cor 1:30, Rom 4:8, 1 Pet 2:24). So humbly cry to God confessing and forsaking your sins (James 4:8, Rom 6:2). Pray, begging Him for repentance, faith and mercy (Acts 11:18, Psa 41:4, Luke 18:13, Prov 28:13). “He that comes to Me, I will in no wise cast out” (John 6:37, Rom 10:13, Psa 51:17; Isa 66:2, 57:15, James 4:6). Then read the Bible daily, obey it, and find a Bible-preaching church. Already a Christian? “Examine yourself” (2 Cor 13:5); are you trusting Jesus alone, or your works? Read 1 John and compare yourself to Scripture (2 Pet 1:10). Give this to another. Be warned, to hypocrites Jesus will say “I never knew you, depart from me, you who work lawlessness” (Matt 7:22-23). Don’t take salvation for granted. www.needgod.com