

The Three Ways To Eternity

(2 Cor. 13 : 5) *"Put yourselves to the test and judge yourselves, to find out whether you are living in faith."*

1. Everyone wishes to go to Heaven.

Ask a Muslim - Erasmia Mosque - Maulana - can't know if you are going to "Paradise" – it depends on the mercy of Allah.

Ask a Hindu Person (Tamil) - "depends on your Karma" – "Reincarnation" - "Moksha"

Ask an average Christian Person - "Well, everybody is on their way to Heaven." "Because Jesus mos died for the whole world."

(And we sing) "When we all get to Heaven, what a day of rejoicing ..."

- (E.g.) "Mom, I think we are at the wrong funeral."**
- (E.g.) Two brothers"... But this brother of his**

2. Will there be good people and bad people in Heaven?

- **“Ja, well, I think” ...Then we all suddenly become “judges.”**
- **What does the Bible say ?**
- **(1 Cor 6 : 9)** *“Surely you know that the wicked will not possess God’s Kingdom. Do not fool yourselves; people who are immoral, or who worship idols, or are adulterers, or homosexual perverts, or who steal, or are greedy, or are drunkards, or who slander others, or are thieves – none of these will possess God’s Kingdom”.*

And so, when you die – which crowd will you be with?

Some people tell me straight - “I don’t know.”

- **And I say “can someone be so “non-shalant” about something which is of such a great importance”?**
- **Or do you think that life is only for now – when you’re dead – you’re dead?**

3. What does the Bible say about Heaven?

(1 Cor 2 : 9) *“However, as the Scripture says, What no one ever saw or heard, what no one ever thought could happen, is the very thing God prepared for those who love Him”.*

Consider the magnificence of Heaven

- **No more dying - everlasting life - (Jn 3 : 16)** *For God so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son, so that whosoever believes in Him, shall not perish, but have everlasting life."*
- **Wipe the tears - no suffering, crying, pain - (Rev 21 : 4)**
"He will wipe away all tears from their eyes. There will be no more death, no more grief or crying or pain."
- **The most important - Jesus will be there - (Rev 21 : 3)**

I heard a loud voice speaking from the throne: *"Now God's home is with people ! He will live with them and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them, and He will be their God."*

4. Are you sure?

E.g. Is the blood on the doorposts?

(Matthew 7 : 13 & 14) - *Go in through the narrow gate, because the gate to Hell is wide and the road that leads to it is easy, and there are many who travel it. But the gate to life is narrow and the way that leads to it is hard, and there are few people who find it.*

(Lk 13 : 24) - “do your best” “do every effort” “strive hard” “agonise” – *to go in through the narrow door; because many people will surely try to go in but will not be able”.*

5. Condition of the roads

Easy - “Go with the flow”

vs lonely road

very easy (lekker)

vs extremely difficult

broad-minded

vs narrow road

relativism (feel)

vs what God wants

Which road would you choose?

An Eternal Destiny – what you choose is for ever – and ever – and ever

Dream - “goggas” biting you - light from Heaven - rapidly healed

What is your life like? - easy, smooth-sailing, no resistance?

Be careful - (Proverbs 14 : 12) “There is a way that seems to be right unto man, but the end of it is the ways of death”

- **You might be on the wrong road. (The ladder is leaning against the wrong wall).**
- **Relativism - why is it so bad, when it feels so right ?**
- **(Mat 10 : 33)** - *"Those who declare publicly that they belong to Me, I will do the same for them before My Father in Heaven. But those who reject Me publicly, I will reject before My Father in Heaven"*
- **Being with the "in-crowd" (broad road / narrow road) ?**
- **(Rom 12 : 2)** *'Do not conform yourselves to the standards of this world, but let God transform you inwardly by a complete change of your mind. Then you will be able to know the will of God – what is good and is pleasing to Him and is perfect.*
- **The way of the least resistance.** *"Agonise to enter through the narrow gate...."* **(Luke 13 : 24)**

Are you heading for Heaven ? Really ?

(2 Cor 13 : 5) "Examine yourselves to see whether you are in the faith ..."