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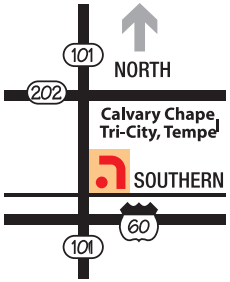
Calvary Chapel Tri-City is a **non-denominational** body of Christians that desire to grow in the grace and knowledge of Jesus through the **study and application of God's Word in the power of the Holy Spirit.**

If you seek to know God in your life, once walked with the Lord and have fallen away because of sin and the pressures of life, or are looking for a Bible-believing church to attend, **join us in a non-threatening, come-as-you-are atmosphere of love and acceptance.**



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Sunday morning: 10:00 a.m.
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Pastor John Higgins, Senior Pastor at Calvary Chapel Tri-City, Tempe, Arizona, has served in the ministry over 38 years. Pastor John had a burden for a generation of hippies and surfers, and was used in the "Jesus movement" of the Holy Spirit bringing thousands of young people to Jesus Christ in the '60s. He wrote *The Manasseh Effect*, about the rapture of the church, and created several websites to spread God's Word, including InTheDays.com that reviews current events in the light of scripture.

You can't tell a book by its cover, so read the Bible!

Visit www.TheHistoryOfTomorrow.com
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HAVE YOU BEEN VICTIMIZED BY RELIGION?

Do you feel like a victim?
Have you ever been told God is sending you to hell because Adam and Eve sinned, and that you inherited their sin nature?

We've all heard that. There must be something to it, though, as man has tried for centuries to correct his fallen condition and appease his guilt by his own religious efforts. If religious endeavors would have worked, there would no longer be a sense of the need to rid ourselves of the awareness of sin.

What is sin? Sin is rebellion against God.
We're like rebellious children who defy the guidance their parents give them for their own ultimate benefit, stubbornly insisting on doing what they want, even to their own hurt.

If religion has been unsuccessful in removing our awareness and guilt of sin, and if indeed God is going to judge sin, then we are trapped with no way out.

We are victims. We didn't ask to be born into this.
What do victims of an injustice do to reclaim what they believe is rightfully theirs? They cry for an attorney to plead their case before the judge. An attorney will defend his client in order to try to get his defendant acquitted.

Jesus is our attorney, called our advocate in the Bible.
Jesus took our hopeless case. He doesn't attempt to declare our innocence or reduce our sentence, because we are indeed guilty of rebellion against God. We stand condemned before God, and without some way out, we are destined to spend eternity separated from God. Our crime against God is so bad that after an eternity in Hell we would be no closer to paying for our own sin than when we began.

Jesus, my advocate, paid for my sin.
The judge declares that I am guilty and that the penalty must be paid. I am condemned, but Jesus has provided for my release. He tells the judge that by shedding His blood at the cross, He has already paid the penalty for my sin. The judge accepts His payment for my sin, and then asks me if Jesus' payment for my sin is acceptable.

Jesus payment for sin satisfied God's justice—sufficient to pay for all of the sin ever committed.
It's now up to me. Do I take advantage of my attorney's offer, Jesus payment for my sin? I could say, "No way. I don't believe you'd do that. It's not possible. I'd rather spend eternity in hell paying for my own sin." Or you could say, "What? You did that for me? I'll take it! I'm free from the consequences of sin and no longer condemned before God! Thank you, Jesus!"

But wait. There's more. There is a bonus gift for trusting in Jesus.
Jesus died in my place, taking God's judgment upon sin. But before He died, He wrote me into His will. He made me the co-beneficiary of His inheritance.

It may sound too good to be true, but it is true.
In spite of what you may have been told, the Bible says that God doesn't send people to Hell, but by His grace He beckons us to trust in the saving work of Jesus Christ and to be rescued from going to Hell. That is what being saved means.

How do I receive Jesus' payment for sin in my life?
"For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."—*Romans 10:13*

"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*

"Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."—*Matthew 11:28*

You can pray right now wherever you are and accept God's free gift of salvation.
Use these words to guide your prayer. The exact words aren't important.

"Heavenly Father, I believe that You sent Jesus to die on the cross, paying for my sins. I also believe that You raised Jesus from the dead, and through His resurrection, I can look forward to eternal life. Forgive me for all I have done wrong that I may be born again.

"I trust Jesus as my Lord and Saviour. Thank You Jesus for coming into my heart and giving me a new life. Amen."

What do I do after becoming a Christian?

1. Find a church where you can hear the preaching of the Word and rejoice in the fellowship of other Christians.
2. Read the Bible.
3. Pray to your Father in Heaven to strengthen your faith and increase your love toward Him.
4. Enjoy the blessings given by God in the only Biblically ordained ordinances: baptism and the Lord's Supper.
5. Share your faith with others.

You were created to have a relationship with a loving God. Welcome to the family!

Visit these websites to help you grow in your Christian walk.

www.InTheDays.com. Current news events in the light of Biblical prophecy.

www.JesusLifeAndMinistry.com. FREE study of the Life of Christ in the order the events happened.

www.RadioFreeChurch.com. View and listen to archived Biblical messages, Godly Conferences sets, message sets.

www.TheHistoryOfTomorrow.com. Read about the Biblical case for the coming redemption of the church, the rapture.

www.ITDStore.com. Visit the In The Days Bookstore for studies, selected books and other resources to help you grow in your walk with Jesus!

www.GodlyConferences.com. Information about scheduled Christian conferences, focused on expounding and teaching the Word of God. Live Webcasts.

We didn't make this up. It's all in the Bible.

We are all guilty. "They are all gone out of the way, they are together become unprofitable; there is none that doeth good, no, not one."—*Romans 3:12*

We are all judged: "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." —*Romans 6:23*

Our self-righteousness is insufficient to pay for sin. We accept the gift of salvation through faith: "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*

Jesus is our Advocate. "And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous: And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world."—*1 John 2:1–2*

Jesus paid the penalty for us for our sin. "All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all."—*Isaiah 53:6*

We are no longer condemned by God. "There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit."—*Romans 8:1*

Our inheritance: "To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time."—*1 Peter 3:4–5*

"He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son."—*Revelation 21:7*

God wants to rescue us from Hell, not send us there.
"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. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved."—*John 3:16–17*