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### A MESSAGE OF SALVATION

**“For in six days the Lord made the heaven and the earth, the sea and all that in them is.....”Exodus 20:11** And on the sixth day God saw what He had created and said, "It is good." Then God created His most special creation. He made man. He made man in His own image. God created Adam and He created Eve. At the end of day six God looked upon all that He had created and said, "It is good, indeed it is very good." On the seventh day God ended His creative work and He rested.

Now God loved Adam and Eve very much. He used to walk with them in the Garden of Eden, a very special place He had made just for them. God told Adam, "Adam, I have created all this for you. I give you all the creatures to have rule over, for you are my most special creation. I give you all this, but Adam, I ask only one thing. You may eat of any tree in the garden of Eden, but there is one tree, Adam, of which you must not eat. You must not eat of the tree of knowledge of good and evil, for if you eat of this tree, you will surely die."

God had also created the angels who were made to worship Him. But there was one angel who was jealous of God, and wanted to be like God himself. Because of his disobedience, God threw this angel, Satan, out of heaven, along with a third of the angels who had begun to follow him. When Satan saw man that God had created, he set out to destroy man. Disguised as a serpent, the Devil asked Eve, "Did God really say you cannot eat of the tree of knowledge?" Then he lied, "Eat of the fruit. You will not die, but your eyes will be opened. You will know good and evil, and you will be

like God." And Eve was tricked and ate the fruit, and Adam also ate the fruit. And because of their disobedience, sin and death entered the world.

There could no longer be the same close personal relationship between God and Adam, for because of God's very nature, because of His holiness, God cannot look upon sin. Now Adam and all mankind had sin in their hearts. Man became evil -- so evil that God had to destroy man by the Flood. Yet God loved us enough that He spared Noah and his family. Then God set up his law that man might live by. But once again man failed. Man could not live up to God's law.

Now man has tried all kinds of ways to be reunited to God. Many people think that if they are just as good as they can be, they will go to heaven when they die. But they still have sin in their life. No one can live good enough to belong in heaven.

Others think that if they do good works that they will go to heaven. But there is still that sin. Good works won't get us to heaven.

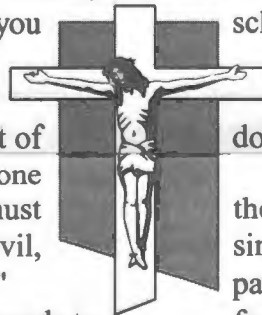
How about baptism? Will that get us there? Baptism without belief in Jesus as our Lord and Savior will only get us wet. It depends on who does the baptizing how wet we get. Baptism alone won't get you to heaven.

Many people think that if they go to church all the time that they will get to heaven. They go to Sunday school, morning church, Sunday evening church, Wednesday night church, and any other time the church doors are open. But going to church does not take away our sins.

You see, all these things are good to do, but there is nothing that we can do on our own to get sin out of our lives. The awful price that we must pay for our sin is being separated from God forever. Without God's help we are lost.

But God showed us how much He loved us by sending His Son Jesus Christ to die on the Cross for our sins. God allowed Jesus to be the payment for our sin. Jesus paid the price that we could never pay. When Jesus arose from the grave, death and sin were defeated.

Jesus is God's gift to us. He is the only way to eternal life with God. To receive this gift you must realize that you are a sinner and that you need Jesus to pay for your sins. By doing this you admit that God has the right to say what is right and what is wrong, and that



you need to live God's way, to do good, rather than to do evil.

Does this message make sense to you? If it does, is there any reason why you would not be willing to receive God's gift of eternal life? Are you willing to turn from your sin and place your faith in Jesus right now? If you are, and you accept this with your whole heart, you need to talk to God in prayer and ask Him to forgive your sins. Here is a prayer that you might use.

**Dear Lord Jesus...I believe You are the Son of God...and that you died to forgive me of my sins...Jesus, I know I have sinned... Jesus, I ask you to forgive me...I turn from my sins and receive you as my Lord and Savior...Thank you for saving me. Amen**

That's it! If you believe and pray, God will forgive you of your sins and you can know that when you die you are going to heaven to be with God forever!

### ASK EUGENE

Wow! Isn't it wonderful what God did for us. But don't just take my word for it. Look at what the Bible has to say!

**"For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God." (Romans 3:23)** Every one is a sinner.

**"For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Jesus Christ our Lord." (Romans 6:23)** Death means separation forever from God. Eternal life comes by trusting Jesus.

**"But God demonstrated His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." (Romans 5:8)** God loved us so much that He gave His Son to die for our sins.

**"If you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you shall be saved." (Romans 10:9)** To be born again, you must believe that Jesus died for your sins and say that you accept him as Lord of your life.

**"Whosoever will call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." (Romans 10:13)** God promises that if you accept Jesus as Lord, He will accept you.

Now that, my friends, is what you call LOVE!!! Yep, yep, yep! Here are some other verses you might want to look up in the Bible: John 3:16; 1 Corinthians 15:3,4; John 14:6; Acts 16:31; 1 John 1:9; Ephesians 4:32. Happy reading! Love ya ...Eugene



### WORD SEARCH

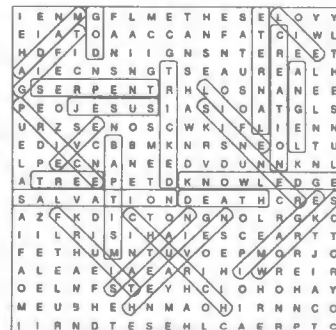
Look for the words hidden in the puzzle below from words in the word list. The hidden words might be up and down, sideways, or slanted (not backwards). All words are from "A Salvation Message."



### WORD LIST

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| CREATION | IMAGE     | SERPENT   |
| DEATH    | JESUS     | SINNER    |
| ETERNAL  | KNOWLEDGE | TREE      |
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