

action but, *prior to God's work of conversion*, all people are spiritually dead, spiritually blind, and enemies of God ([Eph. 2:1](#); [1 Cor. 2:14](#); [Rom. 8:7](#)).

Why Do People Reject Jesus

- Origin: They believe our existence came from the big bang and evolution, therefore, there is no God, no absolute right and wrong, and no eternity.
- Love of Sin: They want to go their own way and do their own thing.
- Self-Reliance: They are strong and confident, seeing no need for Jesus.
- Evidence: They presume there is no solid evidence to support the Bible.
- Sins of Christians: They expect Christians to live without sin.
- Denominations: They are confused by so many different church bodies.
- Sins of Deceivers: They are put off by false proclaimers of Jesus.
- Truth: They have never heard a proper explanation of ♦God, ♦His creation, ♦His love, ♦His gifts of forgiveness and peace, and ♦His desire for all to:
 - Admit their sins, be sorry, and trust in Jesus for eternal life.
 - Be a follower of Jesus ([Luke 9:23](#)).

The forces of evil are always at work to deceive us and keep us separated from Jesus. **But God's love and power are greater to ♦show us the truth and ♦save us!**

What Are the Next Steps

- Get a Bible and start reading it. If you need one, *please let us know!*
- Become confident that the Bible is the word of God. Discover the evidence by reading this brochure: [The Bible Is True](#)
- Be completely open to God's word – believing ♦it is true, ♦God is almighty, ♦God made the world, ♦God loves us, ♦God can do anything, and ♦God wants us to **know His truth** and **be set free from sin, fear, worry, death, and hell.**
- Even though we cannot choose Jesus, **God will work through His word to** ♦show us the saving truth, ♦give us Jesus, ♦fill us with joy, ♦show us His will, ♦change our desires, and ♦move us to live with peace and purpose.
- Start attending a Bible-believing church – *like Bethlehem Parma*. We gather on Saturdays and Sundays for worship and classes. We also have other classes during the week. Attend, write down your questions, and let us help you!

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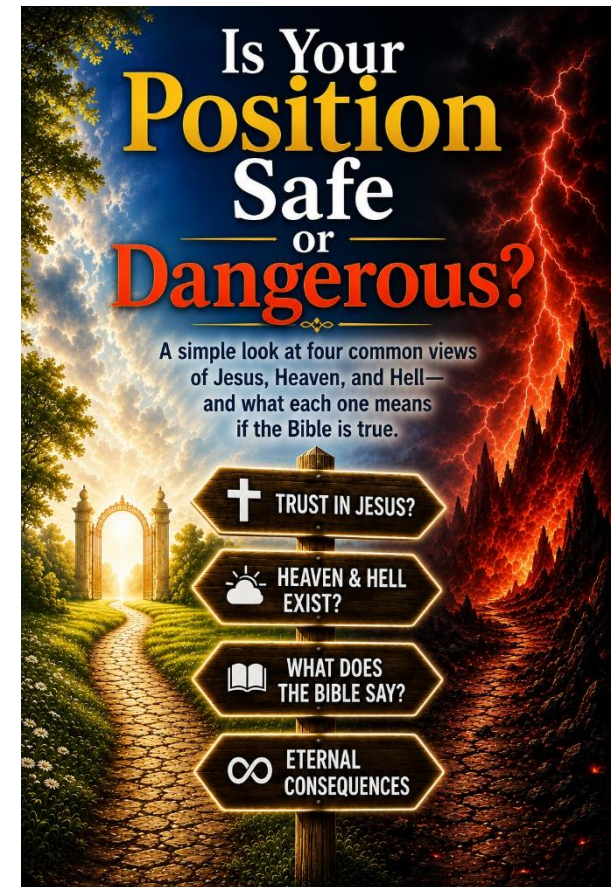
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Introduction

Dear Friend: When it comes to eternity, is your position safe or dangerous? I'm asking because I think the majority are holding dangerous positions! What do I mean?

- **53%** of the world – another religion.
- **16%** of the world – no religion.
- **31%** of the world – Christianity, **but** most are holding to faith + works, which is logical *but not biblical*.

Keep reading to understand what is **eternally safe** and what is **eternally dangerous!**

Four Choices

Blaise Pascal – a philosopher, mathematician, and physicist – who lived centuries ago formulated a way to identify what is **eternally safe** and what is **eternally dangerous**. There are four options:

1. Heaven and Hell – **NOT REAL**
2. Heaven and Hell – **REAL**
3. Trust in Jesus alone for Heaven – **NO**
4. Trust in Jesus alone for Heaven – **YES**

Note two things as you examine each option:

- The two choices shaded in **blue**.
- The **eternal impact** of each option.

Option 1	Heaven & Hell – NOT REAL	Heaven & Hell – REAL
Trust in Jesus alone – NO	Eternal Impact – NONE	Eternal Impact – Horrible
Trust in Jesus alone – YES	Eternal Impact – None	Eternal Impact – Wonderful

Option 2	Heaven & Hell – NOT REAL	Heaven & Hell – REAL
Trust in Jesus alone – NO	Eternal Impact – None	Eternal Impact – Horrible
Trust in Jesus alone – YES	Eternal Impact – NONE	Eternal Impact – Wonderful

Options 1 and 2:

- If Heaven and Hell are **NOT REAL**, there is **no eternal consequence**.
- Trust in Jesus alone results in nothing.

Option 3	Heaven & Hell – NOT REAL	Heaven & Hell – REAL
Trust in Jesus alone – NO	Eternal Impact – None	Eternal Impact – HORRIBLE
Trust in Jesus alone – YES	Eternal Impact – None	Eternal Impact – Wonderful

Option 3:



- If Heaven and Hell are **REAL**, the eternal consequence will be **HUGE!**
- For all who **continue rejecting Jesus alone for Heaven**, they will hear these words from Jesus: **“Depart from Me, accursed ones, into the eternal fire which has been prepared for the devil and his angels...”** (Matthew 25:41).
- **God created that horrible place** for Satan and the other holy angels who opposed the Almighty God.
- **God created heaven** for all people and made the one way to enter through Jesus’ sinless living and sacrificial dying!
- For all who **keep rejecting Jesus alone for heaven**, they are **facing a HORRIBLE eternity!**
- **But it’s not too late!** This is God’s call to everyone: **Acts 17:30-31** **“...God is now declaring to men that all people everywhere should repent** [believe the Bible **and** trust in Jesus alone for heaven], because He has fixed a day in which He will judge the world in righteousness through a Man [Jesus] whom He has appointed, having furnished proof to all men by raising Him from the dead.”

Option 4	Heaven & Hell – NOT REAL	Heaven & Hell – REAL
Trust in Jesus alone – NO	Eternal Impact – None	Eternal Impact – Horrible
Trust in Jesus alone – YES	Eternal Impact – None	Eternal Impact – WONDERFUL

Option 4:

- In this option, Heaven and Hell are **REAL** – but the eternal consequence is the **opposite of option 3**.
- According to the Bible, *which is God’s word*, Heaven and Hell are **REAL** and Jesus alone is **the one way to heaven**.
- For all who **continue – by God’s grace – to trust in Jesus’ alone for heaven**, they will hear these words from Jesus: **“Come, you who are blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world”** (Matthew 25:34).

From a logical perspective, do any of these positions make sense?

- Remain closed to God’s word.
- Reject God who made you. 
- Reject God who loves you. 
- Reject Jesus who died for you.
- Reject God’s gift of eternal life.

What Is True About Everyone

- All have sinned: Sin has passed from generation to generation since the fall of Adam & Eve (**Gen. 3:1-7; Rom. 5:12**).
- No one can choose to trust in Jesus: **Why?** Trusting in Jesus is a spiritual