

GOOD DEEDS

Many people throughout the world, religious or otherwise believe that by doing good deeds (good works) such as charity work, being friendly to people, being a moral upstanding citizen, striving to lead a peaceful loving life or leading a pious religious life will give them a spiritual insurance policy. They believe they can hold onto and hand out this record of good deeds to a god or other higher power when they die, believing "I am righteous and worthy enough" so that their God will acquit them of any sins or bad deeds and allow them into heaven, nirvana, paradise or some other form of utopia.

Almighty God the creator and sovereign master of the universe says in His Holy book, The Bible... ISAIAH 64:6... *" But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousness are as filthy rags;"* ...God (Yahweh) wants us to turn to Him and accept that he gave His son the Lord Jesus Christ to die on a cross as His unblemished, sinless sacrifice, in fact the only sacrifice that was pure enough in Gods eyes to pay the penalty for our sins. The only other way that a perfect God could acquit us is if we were able to keep His Laws to perfection but no mortal is capable of this as we all follow after the inherent nature of the first man that God created, Adam.

However, Jesus has died on the cross and has paid the price once and for all time for our personal sins both past and future, that is, **all of everyone's sins** that they might have eternal life. But to receive god's gift of eternal life we first must see our need for Jesus atoning, shed blood before we can understand, believe and accept God's gift of eternal life, thus the word of God in the Holy Bible says in ROMANS 6:23.... *"for the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."* In other words, He is the only bridge to eternal life. The only other option is eternal death. Praise God for a salvation plan....Amen.