

# HEAVEN 101

## Pass or Fail ???



**It's the only "grade" that will count for eternity!**

What you must do to pass the most important test of your life? Will you pass this test or will you fail it? Why not find out how you can pass, in fact make an "A"!

**Step # 1.** You must realize that you are separated from God because of your sin (things you do that are wrong or bad).

*"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." Romans 3:23 "For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." Romans 6:23*

**Step # 2.** You must believe that Christ died for you, taking your death penalty upon himself.

*"For Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He (Jesus) was put to death in the body but made alive by the Spirit." 1 Peter 3:18*

**Step # 3.** You must repent ... that is tell God you are sorry for your sin and are willing to turn away from it.

*"I tell you no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish. Luke 13:3*

**Step # 4.** You must receive Jesus into your heart and life as your personal Savior. You must ask Him to forgive you of your sins and thank Him for dying for you.

*"But as many as received Him (Jesus), to those who believed in His name, He gave the right to become children of God" John 1:12 "... in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins." Colossians 1:14*

**Receive Jesus now!** Pray a simple prayer something like this: "Dear God, I know I am a sinner and on my way to hell. I believe that Jesus died for my sin. I am turning away from my sin, and by faith in your Word, I now receive Jesus Christ as my Savior and Lord. By your grace, I will serve and obey Him all the days of my life. Amen! (which means "so be it")"

You **know** that He (Jesus) saved you and gave to you eternal life when you became God's child.

*“And this is the testimony; God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son (Jesus Christ). He who has the Son has life: he who does not have the Son of God does not have life. I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may **know** that you have eternal life.*

*I John 5:11-13 “I (Jesus) tell you the truth, whoever hears my Word and believes Him who sent Me has eternal life and will not be condemned; he has crossed over from death (destruction and an eternity in Hell) to life (Eternal life in Heaven with Jesus). John 5:24*

Below is **God's personal contract** with you to help you always remember His agreement with you. Write your name in the blanks to make it personal. **Do it now!!!!**



**Congratulations!** You have now passed the most important test of your life! You are now a spiritual baby ... regardless of your position, age, or training in this world. As soon as a physical baby is born he starts to grow. Even so, a spiritual baby must start to grow. How sad it is to see a baby who is physically handicapped and does not grow ... It is just as sad to see a new spiritual baby who does not grow and develop ...

**So, let's move on and see what God has in store for you. Go to the next page and see how you can grow as a new Christian.**

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# Ok ... Let's get growing ... Here is how you can grow as a new Christian!

What is necessary for a baby's growth? ( 1.) Eating ( 2.) Crying (3.) Exercising (4.) Loving and Sleeping

You as a baby Christian, also need these same things for growth. (1.) Eating ... Reading the Word of God (The Bible) (2.) Crying ... Crying out to God through prayer. ( 3.) Exercising ... Living a clean godly life and telling others what God has done for you. (4.) Loving and Sleeping ... Loving Him and others and resting (without worrying) on God's promises.

## EATING

"Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation" 1 Peter 2:2 God's Word, the Bible is our spiritual food. As a baby you start on the "milk of the Word" until you are able to grow and digest the "meat of the Word". You feed your physical body every day ... not just once a week. Even so, you must be fed spiritually every day.

"Sin will keep me from this Book or this Book will keep me from sin" Write this in the front of your Bible to help remind you that you need to eat the "Word" daily to keep you out of trouble.

Every morning, noon, and evening you eat breakfast, lunch, and dinner at a special time and place. Your Bible time must be just that specific. Set a time and place each day for special Bible reading and studying the Word of God.

Think about it and then write it down. My time with God is \_\_\_\_\_. My place with God is \_\_\_\_\_.

## CRYING

When a baby cries, he develops his lungs. He cries when he hurts ... when he is hungry ... when he wants attention ... or when he just wants something. Mother loves the baby, so she listens and responds to his cries. She does not always give him what he cries for immediately, because she knows what is best for him. But she is eager to give him what he wants if it's good for him.

Now you have the privilege of crying out (through prayer) to God your Father when you get hurt ... need attention and love ... are spiritually hungry ... or when you just want something. Prayer is talking to God and allowing Him to speak to you. Prayer is conversation. You have a direct line to God. Anytime you want to talk to God, he is there ... you never get a busy signal or find Him "out to lunch". "Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know." Jeremiah 33:3 ... (God's Phone Number ... Toll Free)

## EXERCISING

A baby kicks and waves his arms. This develops his muscles and make him strong so he can learn to crawl, walk and then run!

Your exercise as a baby Christian is in learning to live a clean life. Getting victory over sin so the life you are living shows you are a child of God. "How can a young man keep his way pure? By living according to your Word" Psalm 119:9

Another part of your exercise is the witness you give. Each time you tell someone about your new life ... you are developing a muscle. The more you do it ... the easier it gets.

## LOVING AND SLEEPING

Just as a baby needs love and sleep, a Christian needs love from His heavenly Father and an assurance that he can rest in his Word as truth. "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you" Hebrews 13:5 We are the object of God's love. He made us to love him. And for Him to love us. We can rest back in His arms and sleep knowing there is nothing to worry about because He loves us and will take care of us.

This is only the beginning, but you are now off to a great start. You need to be attending a good Bible Believing, Bible Preaching, Church. There you will find friends, who will love you, and care for you, and help you grow in your walk as a Christian. They will help you to learn how to understand God's Word and how to spend time with Him in prayer and they will show you how God answers our prayers through people as well as His Word. They will help you with your exercises and will love you and help you to understand God's love.

*"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9*