

IS YOUR NAME WRITTEN IN HEAVEN?

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Introduction: “Do You Believe That You Are Going to Heaven?”

I. The Book of Life: Names That Are Written in Heaven.

A. Only those people whose names are written in “the Book of Life” will be in Heaven (**Rev. 21:22-27; 20:15**).

B. From the foundation of the world (Rev. 13:8), God has written a book that contains the names of those who will go to Heaven (**Exodus 32:31-33**).

C. Only the names of the righteous can be in “the Book of Life.” (Phil. 3:20; **Ps 69:28; Exod. 32:33**; cf. Ezek. 18:20).

II. How Is It *Even* Possible to Have Our Names Written in Heaven?

A. If *only* the righteous are enrolled in Heaven (Ps. 69:28), how is it possible for anyone to go to Heaven? (**Rom. 3:10, 23**).

B. Despite popular belief, good morality alone will save no one (e.g., Acts 10:2, 48; cf. Acts 2:38).

C. Thankfully, Jesus Christ, the Son of God made Eternal Life in Heaven possible! (**Rom. 6:23; Col. 1:19-20; Eph. 1:7; 2:18**).

D. Jesus has prepared the way for each one of us to enter Heaven (**John 14:1-2, 6**).

E. Heaven is a place prepared *only* for those who are prepared for it (**Mat. 7:21**).

III. How Your Name May Be Written in Heaven!

A. Beyond belief in Jesus (John 14:1-2; 12:42-43; James 2:14-26), a person must obey the Gospel to be saved (**Acts 2:38**).

B. Obeying the Gospel is the only way a person can be added to the Lord’s church (**Acts 2:41, 47; 1 Cor. 12:13**; cf. Col. 1:18).

C. Only the names of those who belong to the Lord’s church are written in Heaven (**Heb. 12:22-23**; Phil. 4:1-3).

IV. How to Keep Your Name Written in Heaven in the Book of Life.

A. To keep your name in the Book of Life after obeying the Gospel, remain faithfully obedient to God (**Rev. 3:1-5**; 2 Pet. 1:10-11).

V. The Best Blessing of All Is to Have One’s Name Written in Heaven!

A. Greater than any other gift that could be given by God is to have one’s name written in Heaven! (**Luke 10:17-20**).

B. To have your name written in Heaven is worth more than earthly wealth or all the riches of the world! (**Mat. 6:19-21; 13:45-46**).

Conclusion: On Judgment Day, Will Your Name Be Found Written in Heaven?