

SALVATION IS NOT A CONTEST!!!

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This discussion starts with the only original starting point that there can be. That is with God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, the Great Creator.

Much of the Christian world has viewed what God did was to create a challenge to humans to see IF they could make the grade---cut the mustard, live a life “good” enough, somehow qualify for Christ to deem them worthy to be saved by proving their obedience to Him. If they could not pass these tests, then a fate worse than death itself awaited them--FOR ALL ETERNITY, SEPARATION, TORTURE, WEeping AND GNASHING OF TEETH, TOTAL DARKNESS—HELL FOREVER. All of this judgment pronounced on them because they did not measure up.

Christianity has been portrayed in this way by many sincere people for ages. It is some sort of game. A contest for souls. A Challenge. Man against the world and the Devil. Of course, it has been said that Christ would help them out, but “Who knows” the outcome of the marathon of life. The questions are many with too few concrete answers.

Maybe what happened originally by the design of the GREAT Creator was not like this scenario at all. Let me pose another understanding.

The love of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit for each other was so tremendous, that they said, “We can share this abundance of LOVE with more beings, a family, billions. Let us make man in our image and likeness and include him in our circle of love. One of us will have to go to earth and become a human while remaining fully God in order to bridge the chasm between humans and US—TRIUNE GOD. This assignment was given to the Word which was also the Son who was God from the beginning.

The plan was laid out. The Son was slain from before the foundation of the world. Human sins were forgiven in the death of the Son. Humans were reconciled and redeemed ORIGINALLY in the SON. ALL were included in this original plan and purpose of God for His purpose, enjoyment, and glory to let His abundance of love overflow to his children. ALL of this was accomplished in Jesus Christ before anything was even created. We were known, loved, forgiven, redeemed, reconciled, resurrected, saved, and placed INSIDE the Triune God’s life ORIGINALLY—long before our personal physical birth.

No game. No contest. No struggle for the souls of men and women. No competition between God and the devil. No question as to “IF” this is going to happen. Just the plain DECLARATION BY GOD that it HAS happened and that

He had/has/ will have the POWER to ensure its happening –No matter what!!!
Whew!! Awesome. Wow.

Here is the really good part. YOU were and ARE included in this Eternal Adoption by the Great Triune God. You are loved, wanted, appreciated, included, adopted, saved and Glorified by this loving Father of us all. You, yes you. YOU. Jesus Christ has made you WORTHY. He has done for all of humanity—You included—what none of us could have done for ourselves.

When one has ALL of the POWER IN THE UNIVERSE—and beyond, ALL POWER, ALL...ALL...ALL.ALL. ALL of it. All Power, then coupled with ALL LOVE, that One can do anything He wishes and can certainly bring it all about like he designs it. Are you with me? Get the point? Are there any arguments devised by Human beings that can in anyway nullify what this Great, Loving, Wonderful, all Powerful Heavenly Father has ALREADY done for his family- His children? Any possibility for failure? No. Why? Because it HAS ALREADY BEEN DONE. IT HAS ALREADY BEEN ACCOMPLISHED!!! IT HAS SUCCEEDED IN CHRIST. GAME OVER. DONE DEAL. GOD WON. WE WIN TOO.

Only one question now remains. Can you see it? Can we put aside human reasoning and arguments and denials, and simply BELIEVE it?

That is the question. The only question. Can we say, “I believe, help my unbelief”? “Come inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world!” YES, YOU!!!