



THE GIFT

Forgiveness cannot be earned! To receive this gift you must simply...

1. Admit that you have offended God by your attitudes and actions.
2. Turn away from anything that offends God. It is critical that you are sincerely sorry and want to change (God will help you do this).
3. Accept that Jesus Christ died for you on the cross and rose from the grave.
4. Through a prayer of faith (trust) give God control of your life.



SUMMARY

If you have not received this gift then make it your number one New Year's resolution...admit that you have offended God by your attitudes and actions, turn back to Him for forgiveness and ask Jesus to enter your life and help you become the person He wants you to be. Receiving forgiveness is the first step, for more information please go to www.questionsoflife.com or contact:



To order these tracts e-mail kiwittracts@clear.net.nz. © Matt Old 2007



New Years Resolution



NEW YEARS RESOLUTION

What are your New Year's resolutions?
Here are 5 of the most common choices...

1. *Get fit*
2. *Eat healthy*
3. *Pay off debts*
4. *Get a better job*
5. *Spend more time with family and friends*

The resolutions listed above are common examples people include on their New Years 'to do' list. How many are on your list? What is number 1? Is 'Receive forgiveness and new life' on your list? If not, it should be...



THE PROBLEM

The Bible is clear that we all need forgiveness as each of us has offended God by our attitudes and actions:

'...all have sinned...' (Romans 3:23)

If you're not convinced of this truth then please take a look at the Ten Commandments...

If we tell one lie we are a liar, we steal anything regardless of its value, we are a thief in God's sight, if we use God's name as a swear word we are guilty of blasphemy,...the list goes on.



THE CONSEQUENCES

When we disobey God it shows that we would rather live without His loving rule over our lives.

In reality we are rejecting our all-knowing, all-powerful and loving Creator.

If this attitude towards God continues until death there are serious consequences...an eternity separated from God in hell...we need help!

Fortunately God has done something incredible for us...



THE SOLUTION

God does not want anyone to go to hell...the Bible says "**God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.**" (Romans 5:8). Jesus (the perfect Son of God) willingly suffered and died on a cross to take the punishment we deserve on Himself (we broke the law and Jesus paid our fine). God then raised Him from the dead three days later and now offers forgiveness (a perfect record) and new life to everyone. However, this is not automatic, like any gift, we must receive it.