



QA: If God Loves Everyone, Why Bother Me? by [John T Polk II](#)

All Scriptures and comments are based on the **New King James Version**, unless otherwise noted.

QUESTION: "Since God loves everybody, then just leave me alone."

ANSWER: Jesus said: "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life" (**John 3:16**), but that is NOT all Jesus said!

1. **God gave Jesus so people in the world of hate *could* be saved.** Jesus also said:

"And this is the condemnation, that the light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil." (**John 3:19**)

"The world cannot hate you, but it hates Me because I testify of it that its works are evil." (**John 7:7**)

"If you were of the world, the world would love its own. Yet because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you." (**John 15:19**)

"The world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world." (**John 17:14**)

David said:

Let God arise, Let His enemies be scattered; Let those also who hate Him flee before Him. (**Psalms 68:1**)

2. **God requires the world to repent so they *should* be saved.** God loves the sinners who repent:

Truly, these times of ignorance God overlooked, but now commands all men everywhere to repent, because He has appointed a day on which He will judge the world in righteousness by the Man whom He has ordained. He has given assurance of this to all by raising Him from the dead. (**Acts 17:30-31**)

But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. (**Romans 5:8**)

What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin that grace may abound? Certainly not! How shall we who died to sin live any longer in it? Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. (**Romans 6:1-4**)

Jesus Christ did not die so sinners could continue in their sins, but to provide the grave of baptism wherein they could be washed clean from their former life! NO ONE MAY SAY, "GOD LOVES ME AS I AM IN SIN, AND THEREFORE I DON'T NEED TO CHANGE."

3. **God's love does not approve of everything someone does, but would lead them to be saved.**

Adulterers and adulteresses! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Whoever therefore wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. (**James 4:4**)

Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world — the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life — is not of the Father but is of the world. And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever. (**1 John 2:15-17**)

Loving "the world" means helping them know they are in sin, but can be saved, for,

Grace to you and peace from God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for our sins, that He might deliver us from this present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father. (**Galatians 1:3-4**)

Jesus is the Judge:

For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things done in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad. (**2 Corinthians 5:10**)

4. **God loved the world enough to send His Son Who provides the Way out of the world! But none are saved unless they respond to God's love:**

And this is the testimony: that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life. (**1 John 5:11- 12**)

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