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- "Repent and return, so that your sins may be wiped away, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord;" (Acts 3:19)
- "If you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved;" Ro 10:9
- "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life." Jn 3:16

If you are ready to repent and be saved, here is a suggested prayer.

"Dear Jesus, I believe that You are God's Son and I admit that I have sinned and deserve Hell. I know that You died on the cross and rose again for me. Please, forgive me of my sins. I surrender control of my life to you. Show me what I must do next. Thank you for hearing my prayer, In Jesus' name I pray, Amen."

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Oh yes, that is right, God cannot lie because He is perfect and Holy. God says, "God is not a man, that He should lie, Nor a son of man, that He should repent; Has He said, and will He not do it?" (Num 23:19) That means that whatever God has said in the Bible is true, every part. We cannot pick and choose that parts of the Bible we like and disregard the rest if it is unpleasant or hard to accept. So what else does God say that He cannot do?

2. God Cannot Change.

Since God cannot lie, then when He says that He cannot change, He means it. As He says, "For I am the LORD, do not change." (Mal 3:6) and "The grass withers, the flower fades, But the word of our God stands forever." (Isaiah 40:8) This means that what God says in the Bible is both completely true and cannot be changed. God will not change His mind at the last minute and let everyone into heaven, nor will He change His mind and not punish sinners. Therefore, if God cannot lie and He will not change His mind, what is the final thing God cannot do?

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Well, you might say that you do not believe this, but again, we must look to what God says about Himself. He declares, "Know therefore that the LORD your God, He is God, the faithful God, who keeps His covenant and His lovingkindness to a thousandth generation with those who love Him and keep His commandments; but repays those who hate Him to their faces, to destroy them ; He will not delay with him who hates Him, He will repay him to his face." (Deut 7:9-10)

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Now we have a BIG problem, we are sinners and God must punish sin. Is there any hope for us? YES, for God also says, "For the wages of sin is death, *but* the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." (Romans 6:23)

You see, "God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life. For God did not send the Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world might be saved through Him. He who believes in Him is not judged; he who does not believe has been judged already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God." (John 3:16-18) So those who repent from sin and surrender in faith to Jesus Christ as Lord are saved from punishment and gain eternal life and salvation.

How is this possible because God must punish sin? He did, for those who repent in faith, Jesus paid for their sins on the cross, as it says, "But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from the wrath of God through Him. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life." (Romans 5:8-10) Jesus died to pay our sin debt, and He arose from the grave on the third day to give us eternal life with Him.

Now after reading these truths, if you are "pierced to the heart..." and ask, "what shall we do" to be saved? God tells you to "Repent, and each of you be baptized [by the Holy Spirit] in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off, as many as the Lord our God will call to Himself." (Acts 2:37-39) If you hear the call to repent and return back to God, follow the steps on the back concerning 'how to be saved'.

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