

But even if one believes that Jesus is God and rose from the dead, and even that He grants salvation to all who repent of their sins and follow Him - even *that* one will have more questions. Honest questions even! And questions on subjects that are true stumbling blocks for them, not just illogical questions veiling some lame excuse to avoid bending the knee. For example, an honest question asked by skeptics is

## WHAT ABOUT THOSE WHO'VE NEVER HEARD? ARE THEY ALL GONNA BURN?

That is a fair question and we should be able to answer it! But I don't have the faintest idea. So let's skip this and talk about who the Antichrist is! *Just kidding!*

Jesus did say He was **THE WAY**, not a way. So those who don't know about Him and His death and resurrection are gonna go to Hell, right? Not necessarily...

God says He reveals Himself to all; that no one has an excuse; that He hasn't left Himself without a witness; that Jesus gives light to "all men." All peoples know of God, of their rebellion against God, of their need to repent, and of their need to throw themselves on His mercy. And to those who respond to that call, who **do** re-

pent, committing themselves to Him as best they know how, He grants forgiveness and reconciliation **WHETHER THEY HAVE ACTUALLY HEARD OF JESUS OF NAZARETH OR NOT**. They may not know Him by the name we are familiar with, *but they know Him*, the Second Person of the Godhead!

And it still stands that His death and resurrection are **THE WAY** that makes their salvation possible.

Abraham didn't know Jesus by that name, but He knew Him and he was saved by faith. Job, thousands of years before Jesus appeared said, "I know that my redeemer lives!" Remember:

**BEING A CHRISTIAN DOESN'T SAVE; IT IS CHRIST WHO SAVES.**

*So why go and send missionaries, then?* Because there are plenty of people who need to know Him **better**, more **richly** and **completely** and **clearly**. And, of course, there are those who need to be turned from their worship of false gods and demons to the one, true God. (*Note: Support your local missionaries!*) Which leads us to another match in our matchbook...

