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To understand our need for salvation, we must first understand our standing before God. Thankfully, there is good news! But first, let's examine the bad news.

We deserve God's wrath

The Apostle Paul writes in Romans that all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God (Romans 3:23), as well as that there is no one righteous (Romans 3:10). We are all sinners who are deserving of God's wrath and judgment. If nothing changes about our spiritual condition, we will perish for all of eternity in a place called hell (Matthew 14:32; Revelation 21:8).

Spiritually Blind

Some may say that God's judgment is unfair or even unjust, but this is simply not true. God's judgment is good because He is eternally good (Psalm 106:1). He declares what is right and what is wrong. We need salvation because we are spiritually blind without it (2 Corinthians

4:3-4). Our spiritual eyes need to be opened to see and understand God's holiness and glory (Acts 9:18; Ephesians 1:18). Furthermore, they need to be opened because God has called us to be holy as He is holy (1 Peter 1:16).

Spiritually Dead

The Bible also says that we are spiritually dead because of our sin: "For the wages of sin is death..." (Romans 6:23), "And you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world" (Ephesians 2:1-2). We need salvation so that we can truly live the way that God intended for us to live. It is impossible for a spiritually dead person to know God and trust in His Word.

Spiritually Lost

Without salvation we are also lost. We lack any direction and purpose in life; there is a giant void that we cannot fill on our own. The Word of God says that like sheep we have all gone astray (Isaiah 53:6). We desperately need a Shepherd who will guide and protect us.

The Good News

There is salvation in Jesus Christ and in Him alone: “There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved” (Acts 4:12)! In Christ, the blind can see (Luke 4:18), the dead can live (John 11:25), and the lost are found (Luke 19:10). Jesus paid the price for our sins with His blood when He died on the cross. But He did not stay dead! He rose again, defeating the power of sin and death (1 Corinthians 15:55-57). Yes, we are all sinners, but we have a Savior! The Bible is clear that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved (Romans 10:13). Have you called upon the name of Jesus in faith? Today is the day of salvation (2 Corinthians 6:2)!

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