

our way to the cemetery of what the Bible calls the second death (Rev. 20:6). We will be eternally separated from God's love unless we are spiritually reborn.

But when Jesus speaks to the needy sinner through the convicting power of the Holy Spirit, and the person puts his faith in Jesus, instantly he receives new life. Peace, joy, and blessing will follow.

Friend, have you heard the life-giving words of Jesus? He alone can take away the deadness of your soul and give you a thrilling awakening that brings forgiveness and joy right now, and the prospect of heaven forever.

If Jesus has rescued you from eternal death, ask Him to use you to tell others of the One who gives new life. --HGB

*Once far from God and dead in sin,  
No light my heart could see,  
But in God's Word the light I found--  
Now Christ: He lives in me. --Whittle*

**When you trust God's Son,  
darkness gives way to the light.**



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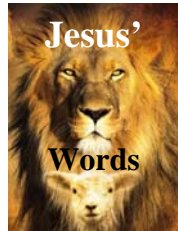
### Life-Giving Words

*You He made alive, who were dead in trespasses and sins. . --Ephesians 2:1*

In Luke 7 we read the dramatic story of what happened when Jesus encountered a large funeral procession. A widow was on her way to the cemetery to bury her only son. With a heart full of compassion, Jesus spoke to the woman, touched the coffin, and with a command brought her son back to life.

What happened to that young man is an illustration of what happens to a person who is converted to Christ. Until you and I come in contact with the Saviour, we are "dead in trespasses and sins" (Ephesians 2:1) and on





# Where Are You Going?

In the parable of the wheat and the tares (weeds) Jesus teaches three concepts:

**1. There are two great spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ involved in planet earth, Matthew 13:24-25, 37, 39**

**(John 14:6)** "... I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me."

**(John 11:25)** "... I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live."

**(1 Timothy 3:16)** "... God was manifested in the flesh, ..."



**(John 14:9)** "... Have I been with you so long, and yet you have not known Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father; so how can you say, 'Show us the Father'?"

**(John 3:16)** "... For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."

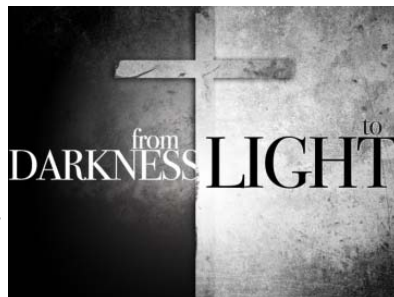
**2. There are two \_\_\_\_\_ on planet earth, Matthew 13:24-29, 38**

**(Mark 12:30)** "... And you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.' This is the first commandment."

**(Jude 1:23)** "... others save with fear, pulling them out of the fire, ..."

**(Romans 10:9)** "that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved."

**(Ephesians 2:8-9)** "For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, {9} not of works, lest anyone should boast."



**3. There are, therefore, two \_\_\_\_\_ for men, Matthew 13:30, 40-43**

**(Romans 8:18)** "For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us."

**(Revelation 20:11-12)** "Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away. ... {12} And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books."

**(Revelation 20:15)** "And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire."

**(Revelation 19:5-9)** "Then a voice came from the throne, saying, 'Praise our God, all you His servants and those who fear Him, both small and great!' {6} And I heard, as it were, the voice of a great multitude, as the sound of many waters ..., saying, 'Alleluia! For the Lord God Omnipotent reigns! {7} 'Let us be glad and rejoice and give Him glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and His wife has made herself ready.' {8} And to her it was granted to be arrayed in fine linen, clean and bright, for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints. {9} Then he said to me, 'Write: 'Blessed are those who are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb!' " And he said to me, "These are the true sayings of God.'"

**(Ephesians 2:1-9)** "And you He made alive, who were dead in trespasses and sins, {2} in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience, {3} among whom also we all once conducted ourselves in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, just as the others. {4} But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, {5} even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), {6} and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, {7} that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. {8} For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, {9} not of works, lest anyone should boast."

**(2 Corinthians 5:17)**

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new."

