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³¹ "They said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household."

Do you ever wonder if faith in Jesus is really the only way to be saved? Satan is a crafty liar who will twist God's Word to cause confusion. In order to steer people away from following Christ, he tries to create the impression that eventually everyone will make it to heaven. But that is not what Scripture teaches.

The truth is, we can choose to reject the salvation that Jesus Christ freely offers. John's gospel tells us, "For God did not send the Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world might be saved through Him. ¹⁸ 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 3:17-18 NASB).

The Word of God clearly states that whoever believes in Jesus will be saved (<u>John 3:16</u>). "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." The Bible also stresses that we make this choice during our earthly life—there will be no further opportunities once we die.

So, if you would like to be sure of your salvation, you can do so by inviting Jesus to be your personal Savior. God, who wants you to spend eternity with Him, offers compelling reasons to make this all-important decision: "He who believes in the Son has eternal life; but he who does not obey the Son will not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him." (John 3:36 NASB).

There are no more chances to place faith in the Savior after death. The free gift of salvation is available only in this life—and only through Jesus (<u>John 14:6 NASB</u>). "Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me."

Receive Him now, and you will never have to wonder what awaits you in eternity.