

7 "How can you say Jesus is the only way to heaven?"

"That is what the Bible teaches. Let's imagine for a moment that you have just hurt my feelings in a terrible way. You said and did some really mean things to me. Would you be able to go to just anyone and apologize to them in order to make our relationship right? Of course not. The same is true in our relationship with God. Mankind has sinned against God by the things we have said and done. Therefore, to have our relationship restored, we must go back to Him, not to Buddha, Allah, Krishna, or some other imaginary, man-made deity. A person must go to Jesus and through Jesus because He is God. He is not a city, like Rome, of which it might be said, "All roads lead to Rome."

God is a personal being who has provided the gift of salvation (Romans 6:23) to all who will put their trust in His Son, Jesus. If people put their faith in another savior (such as Buddha, Brahman, or Allah), they will find on judgment day that their god has done nothing for their eternal well-being, because their "so-called god" (1 Corinthians 8:5) does not exist (Isaiah 43:11; 45:5).

On God:

"To look out at this kind of creation and not believe in God is to me impossible."

John Glenn (1921-), astronaut and U.S. senator, as he looked out of the space shuttle Discovery, November 4, 1998. Quoted in Chuck Colson, "Astronauts Who Found God," Breakpoint, November 5, 1998.

"God's nature is revealed most perfectly in the life and teachings of Jesus of Nazareth, as recorded in the New Testament of the Bible, who was sent by God to reveal the divine nature."

George F.R. Ellis (1939-), theoretical cosmologist, professor, author, and recipient of the Templeton Prize. Nancey Murphey, et al., eds., Quantum Cosmology and the Laws of Nature (University of Notre Dame Press, 1997).