

# Are You Good Enough To Go To Heaven?

This talk tries to convey the love and justice of God which are met together at the cross of Christ.

The title (1) is put up and I ask people how they would answer this question. The right of entry is not up to us but belongs to God so let's have a look at His character. The Bible tells us that God is a God of justice (2) and a God of love (3).

We all have a deep-rooted sense of justice, which is often expressed in public opinion when justice is not upheld. This is because we are made in the image of God and He is a God of justice. We all agree that wrong-doing should be punished (4). The problem is that we have all done wrong, or sinned, and come short of God's standard. There is a high price to pay for this sin; it means that we do not deserve to go to heaven (5). Therefore none of us are good enough for heaven, BUT THERE IS GOOD NEWS.

The Bible also tells us that God is a God of love and in His love He has provided a Saviour for us in the person of Jesus Christ (6). Preach the cross and then explain that we do need to respond to God (7) and ask for the gift of forgiveness and a place in Heaven.

I then use the verse, 1 Peter 3:18, to show that Christ's suffering and death can bring us into a relationship with God and therefore give us the assurance of a place in Heaven when we turn from sin and trust in what Christ did for us.

\*\* The mission also has a leaflet by the same title which could be offered at the end of the talk or by Christians supporting the meeting.

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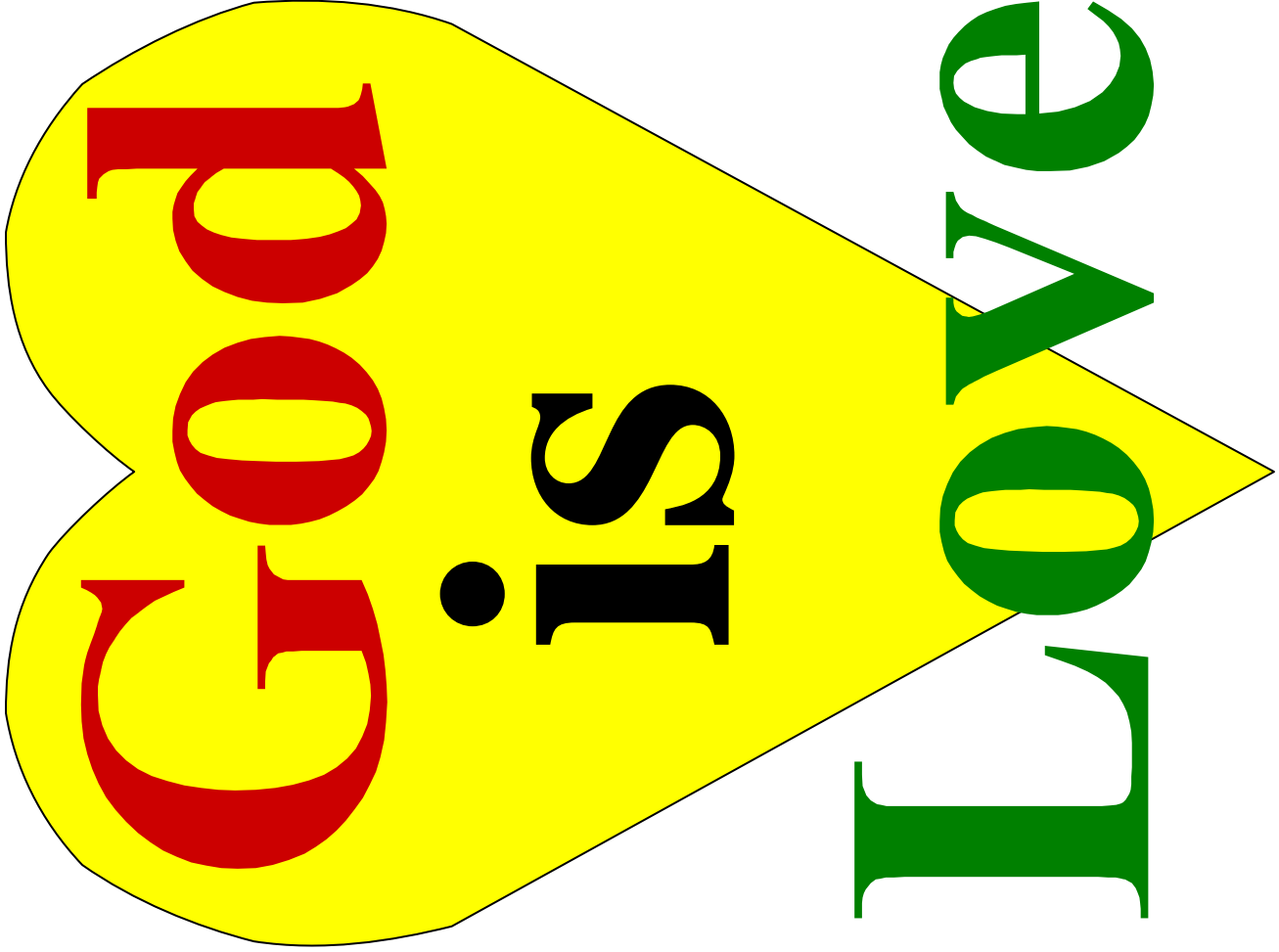
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