

# TALK IT OVER

Who Goes to Heaven?

#### **BOTTOM LINE**

Heaven is not a reward for being good.

## CONVERSATION STARTER

Are you a cat person or a dog person? Which pet in your history would be a most likely candidate for heaven (3)?

#### THINGS TO CONSIDER

What did you hear? What do you think? What will you do?

#### RESOURCES

- The Daily: newpointeorg/daily
- Why Did Jesus Have to Die? by Andy Stanley

### **KEY VERSES AND QUOTES**

There is no one righteous, not even one... Romans 3:11 NIV

Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it. Ephesians 2:9 NLT

God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. John 3:17 NIV

For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16 NLT

"A news poll says that 89% of Americans believe in heaven, and more than 87% of those polled believed they would make it." - Dwight Mason

"Asking 'How good do I have to be?' leads to a life of insecurity. Hope in Jesus has nothing to do with what I did or didn't do. It has to do with my grateful acceptance of what He has done." - Dwight Mason

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As our world grows more angry, violent, and less like Jesus, and church attendance is down by ten million Americans, the stats are not dropping on how many believe in heaven and how many think they will go there. Why do you believe that is so? What are the most common ways people believe will get them into heaven? When you are feeling either confident or insecure, in which way are you thinking? Some religious people consider this message of faith in Christ to be wrong - easy believe-ism. What do you think? How do you explain/what do you think about persons who "believe" but have no transformation in their lives, no active following? How would you help them? How has trusting Jesus instead of anything else for salvation and life changed your life here and now? How can you encourage someone else who is waiting for their miracle?

#### **ACTION STEP**

I will daily thank Jesus for my salvation through His grace alone and share my story with someone this month. I will actively believe and follow.





