
SOMETHING WORTH
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SOMETHING WORTH CARING ABOUT ...

The Environment? Social Justice? Preventing Disease?

Most of us are willing to spend our time, money, and talent for a cause that's worth caring about. But how do we decide whether a cause is worthy? We can ask questions like: How many people are affected? Will the effort make any difference? What are the lasting impacts?

Some issues seem so overwhelming that we're tempted to give up and retreat to our own interests. We focus on a comfortable lifestyle, our hobbies, our relationships and the simple pleasures of life. But the people we most respect are those who have made a difference. They've proved that they really did care about something beyond themselves.

Please think for a minute about Jesus Christ, and the cause that He lived and died for. What was it that He cared about so deeply that He would voluntarily suffer and die? **He cared about YOU. Was it a worthwhile cause?**

The Bible describes it for us...

We have all fallen short of God's holy standard (we have sinned) and are therefore unacceptable to Him.

"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." ROMANS 3:23

"But we are all like an unclean thing, And all our righteousnesses are like filthy rags." ISAIAH 64:6

Because of sin, the world we live in is condemned.

"But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up." 2 PETER 3:10

Our Creator loves us, and has intervened to save us.

"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." JOHN 3:16

"God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." ROMANS 5:8

We cannot save ourselves.

"Who can say, 'I have made my heart clean, I am pure from my sin'?" PROVERBS 20:9

"For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God." EPHESIANS 2:8

God will save those who turn to Him from their sins and receive Jesus Christ as Saviour.

"As many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name." JOHN 1:12

"For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." ROMANS 6:23

Yes, it was a worthwhile cause! Since God has in fact sent His Son here to earth to save us, then it's the most important endeavour in history. The sacrifice of Jesus Christ has affected the most people, has made the greatest difference, and will have the longest lasting impacts of any accomplishment ever. He not only devoted His life to the cause of saving us – He gave His life. **But has the cause been worthwhile to YOU? Have you received Him as your Saviour?**

If you've taken this question seriously and want to know more, the very best source is God's Word itself, the Holy Scriptures (the Bible). A great place to start reading would be "The Gospel According to John" *(Google "John 1 NKJV")*.

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