## Do People Who Never Heard of Jesus Need Salvation?

(Multiple Choice Test)

There are those in our world who has never heard of the law of God or that a Bible about the Lord Jesus exists. In their ignorance will they escape the fiery judgment of their sins and be with the holy Lord in His heavenly kingdom forever? So then do they really need to hear the gospel?

- A. One can't know there is a God without the Bible. God is revealed in the Law of Moses and the Bible. So if one has no Bible, there is no accountability for their sin. (If one can't see their king, are they still accountable for what they do?)
- B. One can't know right and wrong without the Bible. It's the law in the Bible that tells us right and wrong in the 10 commandments. Without it one can't be accountable for breaking it. (If you don't know the speed limit, are you still responsible if you exceed it?)
- C. **Ignorance is Salvation.** One is not accountable if they don't know. If ignorance saves from punishment then it would be better not to tell them the gospel, for they might reject it. (*Is a person saved from cancer if they are in ignorance of a cure that exists?*)
- D. **Ignorance is not their Fault.** Darkness is ignorance. One can't be accountable for not reading or knowing their homework if the lights went out. (*A child is ignorant. Is that ignorance because he was kept out of school, or because he didn't study in school?*)
- E. **Sincerity not Truth brings Salvation.** Some ignorantly worship an unknown god without knowing his name. But because they are worshipping something higher than them, God will honor their motive and not hold them accountable for lack of details. (*Is one responsible for their actions if they don't know the name or weight of their king?*)
- F. One doesn't know about Jesus because no one told them. Here it's the person's fault that didn't tell. There is no proactive responsibility to seek. (*Is an unemployed person hungry because no one gave him food or because he didn't seek out work?*)
- G. **No One is Innocent for No One is Ignorant.** God is known without the Bible by creation. All know of God in creation but willingly won't glorify Him nor are thankful. Right and wrong can be known without the written law, for the "work of the law" is written in all hearts via conscience. All societies prove they know right and wrong apart from the Bible by having a form of government that judges doing wrong. A dark and depraved lifestyle does not come from *not* having knowledge, but from walking away from the light they had. The Lord Jesus Christ taught condemnation is because men love darkness rather than light. All the world (with the Bible-law or without it) are without an excuse, and guilty (accountable) before God. Where one lives is determined by God and He promises if they will seek Him they will find Him and they will hear about Christ Jesus. Salvation is only to those who in repentant faith believe the gospel of Christ.

Romans and the Bible teach "G".  $^{1}$ Rom. 1:19-20 / Psa. 19:1-4.  $^{2}$ Rom. 1: 21.  $^{3}$ Rom. 2:11-16.  $^{4}$ Rom. 2:1-3, 14.  $^{5}$ Rom. 1:21-28.  $^{6}$ John 3:19-21.  $^{7}$ Rom. 2:12, 3:9-10, 3:19.  $^{8}$ Acts 17:23-27, 30-34.  $^{9}$ Rom 1:16, 2:4.