

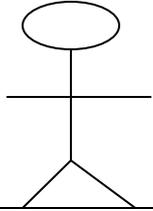
# Bridge Illustration

- How would a person have to live to get to heaven?

- Have you always lived that way?

## ALL HAVE SINNED

- (Rom 3:23) for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,
- (Isa 53:6) We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.



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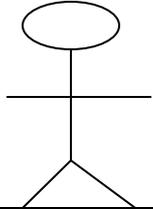
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- How would you define the term wages?

- How would you feel if your boss refused to pay you the wages that were due to you?

## SIN's PENALTY

- (Rom 6:23) For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.
- (Heb 9:27) Just as man is destined to die once, and after that to face judgment,



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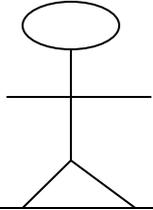
- What comes to mind when you think of death?

- Death often means separation from God which can extend into eternity in hell.

- What we have talked about so far is bad news, but God has good news.

## CHRIST PAID THE PENALTY

- (Rom 5:8) But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.
- (1 Pet 3:18) For Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive by the Spirit,



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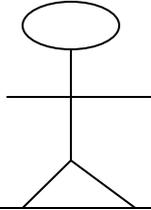
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- What is the difference between a gift and wages?

- How do you feel toward someone who gives you an expensive gift?

## SALVATION NOT BY WORKS

- (Eph 2:8,9) For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith--and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God-- not by works, so that no one can boast.
- (Titus 3:5) he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit,



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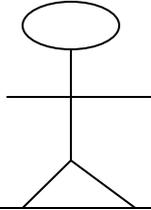
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- God wants to give you a gift. Why do you think God would want to give you a gift?

- Why does anyone want to give a precious gift?

## MUST RECEIVE CHRIST

- (John 1:12) Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God--
- (Rev 3:20) Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with him, and he with me.
- (Rom 10:9,10) That if you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved.
- (Acts 3:19) Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord,



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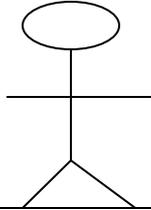
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## ASSURANCE OF SALVATION

- (1 John 5:11-13) And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life. I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life.
- (John 5:24) "I tell you the truth, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be condemned; he has crossed over from death to life.



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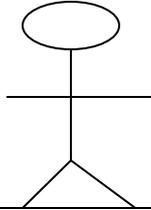
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