

It is clear that, "No soul can ever die except by Allah's leave and at a term appointed. Whoso desireth the reward of the world WE bestow on him thereof; and whoso desireth the reward of the hereafter, WE bestow on him thereof. WE shall reward the thankful." (3:145) Allah tells us, "Every soul will taste of death.....the life of this world is but (a) comfort of illusion." (3:185)

You were born O.K. and you will die O.K., that is, if you live your life according to GOD's plan. GOD's plan is clear: worship only HIM, pray at least five prayers per day, pay zakat, make a trip to Hajj at least once in your lifetime, BUT first you must say Shahada (to accept Allah as the ONE AND ONLY GOD, and to accept Prophet Muhammad as His last Prophet and Messenger).

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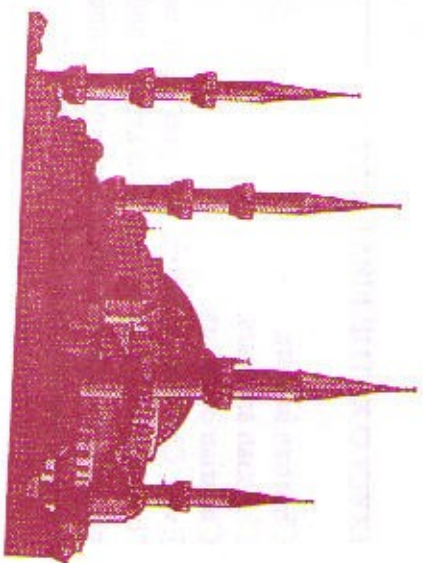
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Christian leaders,
Christian scholars,
Christian believers,
Even Christian children, say you must be
"born again" if you are going to achieve and
gain the rewards of God. That is presuming
that you weren't born O.K. the first time.

Ask yourself, how was I born the first time?
Was I full of sin? Did I sin against mankind?
Did I sin against myself or others? Did I fail
to follow my natural moral or spiritual
nature? Did I fail to recognize GOD as the
ONE AND ONLY GOD?

If you answered these questions honestly,
you probably answered **NO** to all of them.
If this is the case, why do so many others
talk about someone living and dying for their
sins?

At one time you were:

- too young to sin
- too young to be full of sin
- too young to commit crimes or
- too young to fail to follow your
given nature.

You knew the difference between right and
wrong. You knew that there is only one
GOD.

Having all this knowledge and even being
a "clean slate", where does mankind go
wrong?

Let's hear Allah speak to us through the
words of the Qur'an:

*"They ask thee (O Muhammad) what is
made lawful for them. Say: (All) good
things are made lawful for you". (5:4)*

*"Lo! Religion with Allah (is) the
surrender (Al-Islam) (to his will and
guidance)". (3:19)*

*"Have ye (too) surrendered? If they
surrender, then truly they are rightly
guided, and if they turn away, then it is thy
duty only to convey the message (unto
them)". (3:20)*

*"So set thy purpose (O Muhammad) for
religion as a man by nature upright--the
nature (framed) of Allah, in which he hath
created man. There is no altering (the laws
of) Allah's creation, That is the right
religion, but most men know not". (30:30)*

*"And now have WE set thee (O
Muhammad) on a clear road of (Our)
commandment: so follow it, and follow not
the whims of those who know not". (45:18)*

You have been given Allah's religion and
Allah's directions, but what about the
committing of sin. If no one has ever told
you, --- Allah has answered your every
question, even before you asked it. Here's
what Allah said: *"Whoso doth evil or
wroughteth his own soul, then seeketh pardon
of Allah, will find Allah forgiving,
merciful". (4:110) ; "Whoso committeth sin
committeth it only against himself. Allah is
ever knower, wise". (4:111); "Whoso
committeth a delinquency or crime, then*

*throweth (the blame) thereof upon the
innocent, hath burdened himself with
falsehood and a flagrant crime". (4:112)*

What is being said this: 1 -- you were
born without sin, 2 -- you were born
knowing the difference between right and
wrong, 3 -- you were born knowing that
there was Only One GOD , 4 -- your sins
began counting up, only when you became
an adult and that happened, AT PUBERTY,
5 -- no one can come between you and
GOD, so no one can live and die for your
sins except you, 6 -- no one in this lifetime
was ever sacrificed for you, because you and
you alone must face GOD.

So what of mankind you ask? Well, you
must first accept your birth or creation:
*"Verily WE created man from a product of
wet earth. Then placed him as a drop (of
seed) in a safe lodging. Then fashioned WE
the drop a clot, then fashioned WE the clot
a little lump, then fashioned WE the little
lump bones, then clothed the bones with
flesh, and then produced it as another
creation. So blessed be Allah, the Best of
Creators! Then lo! After that yee surely
die". (Glorious Qur'an 23:12-15)*

Can we run from death? The Qur'an
answers, *"Do ye create it (life) or are WE
the creator" (56:59). If that's true and we
know that it is, Allah reminds us, "WE mete
out death among you, and WE are not to be
outrun". (56:60)*