Why is it hard for some to believe?

There are a number of reasons for this:

1. They are afraid of what friends may say or think. Satan is the great deceiver and blinds hearts to the truth that Jesus wants to impart.

2. They think their good works will get them to heaven, and some are trusting in their religion.

3. Others are too busy for God, and are trapped in the cares, riches and pleasures of this life.

We are all sinners and fall short of the mark needed to get to heaven. God so loved each one of us that He met our need through the death of His Son. He took our place and suffered for us.

He has risen from the grave and now lives in the power of an endless life and also watches over and intercedes for His people

God loves you and Christ died for you. Why not accept the new life He offers, and receive Him now as your Lord and Saviour?

There are simple Bible Study aids that can help you to know more about God's love for you and His plan for your life. We care, so for more information, Email <u>GoodNewsForYoujohn316@gmail.com</u>

From Heaven to Earth

He came!



The Babe of Bethlehem was the Son of God who opened the way back to heaven!

For He said, 'I am the way, the truth and the life', leading back to God.

From heaven to earth He came!

For Jesus Christ, God's Son, came from heaven to die on a Roman cross for the sins of the whole world. It was there that He paid the **price and the penalty** that God demanded so that we could be forgiven. In this God's great **love** is revealed.

This is the message Jesus brought: "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.

He came to die for the sins of all the people of all the ages. He saves from sins **power** and sins **penalty** all who believe and accept His message.

He gives a new life and rest of heart. He said, "Come to Me, all you who labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest" Matthew 11:28.

There is nothing for us to 'do' but to trust in Him for He did all the 'work' to save us.

Then rest He gives is not a rest from the activity of a busy life, but finding peace and tranquillity in our hearts by placing our trust in Him with all our sins forgiven. He offers this rest freely to all who will accept it.

He gives to us wonderful promises

These are found in God's word, the Bible:

1. "For whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved" Romans 10:13.

2. He said, "*I will never leave you nor forsake you*" Hebrews 13:5.

3. And, "*I am with you always, even to the end of the age*" Matthew 28:20.

Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me" John 14:6. It is called the **'Highway of** Holiness', reserved for all who come to Him to be cleansed from their sins. Read Isaiah 35:8.

From Earth to Heaven

Jesus rose from the grave the third day, and then, watched by His disciples, ascended back to heaven. He said to His disciples: "I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also" John 14:1-3.

This is when His people will be raised from their graves and the living caught up to heaven to be forever with the Lord. Read 1 Thess. 4:13-18.