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“It is amazing how many requirements man has invented to get into God’s free gift of heaven.”

Are the Amish Going to Heaven?

We do not live too far from the Lancaster Amish community. One year, we took a tour of an Amish farm. The tour guide explained that they do not have electric or phone coming into the house. They do not have computers. They do not have cars or tractors. They do not allow pictures taken. They do not dress in modern clothes etc. etc. My wife Susan interrupted the guide with the question why. The guide replied they believe this will get them into heaven. Susan came back with, “All you need to get into heaven is faith that Jesus died on the cross for your sin. It is not by works lest any man should boast.” The guide quickly changed the subject.

“The Amish believe that Jesus Christ was the Son of God, that He died for their sins, and that He is the way to salvation. However, many Amish also practice a works-based relationship with God. They view their good works as earning favor with God. If their good works outweigh the bad works, they feel God will allow them into heaven. The Amish are basically good, hard-working people, who have to make sure they stay on the right path, so they get final rewards in heaven when life is over. The Amish do not believe in the security of salvation. They believe a person can lose his/her salvation if he/she strays from the path, or falls from grace. Sadly, others cling to the “works-based” philosophy, believing their salvation is based on their “right” actions.” Gotquestions.org

I never had the opportunity to ask an Amish person if they know they are going to heaven. But I can ask: “Are you going to Heaven?” Do you know for sure? If your answer is “I think so” or “I hope so” then I have a message for you.

“That whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have eternal life” John 3:15. “For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.” Eph 2:8-9 “These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.” 1 John 5:13 “Sirs, what must I do to be saved? And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved.” Acts 16:30, 31



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If entrance to heaven is based on our good works, life style, sacraments, or ordinances, how can we ever be sure we did enough?



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