

WHERE IS THE SOLUTION?

Since we know that the world is broken, we want freedom from pain and suffering. Finding something to release us from oppression and hardship becomes a way to seek the good life.

Unfortunately, people look for answers in the wrong places. Many think that politics is the answer. People seek power for personal fulfillment and with the hopes of changing society, but political power fails on both counts. Other people look to education to solve problems. The twentieth century had the best educated and well-read generations, yet it also produced more bloodshed than all the previous centuries combined.

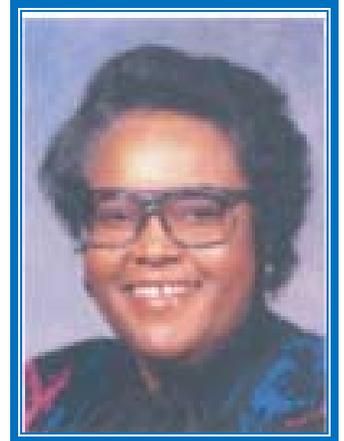
Others believe that money will buy happiness. The rich have just as many problems as the poor. Some scientists believe that the solution is biological. People rely on psychoactive drugs and tranquilizers to find the good life.

Then there are those who look to religion for solutions. In Islam, followers must all pass across the Sword of Judgment. Judaism requires adherence to a strict set of laws. Buddhism calls on us to meditate away our desires and pressures. The biblical answer is the only one that produces the intended results.

Christianity is unique in that it is founded on specific historical truths, notably the resurrection- of Jesus Christ. Christianity is not just a philosophy or good ideas about how to live our lives. It is truth. The Christian solution to the human dilemma begins with a holy, just, and loving God.

Jesus lived a sinless life and then died on the cross, accepting the penalty we deserved for our sins. He then rose from the dead to give new life to those who trust in Him. He ascended into heaven and sent the Holy Spirit to empower us to live as we should. Consequently, we can find solutions to problems and have peace within ourselves, with others, and with God Himself.

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