

You Need This Policy

Salesmen have done all sorts of odd stunts to get prospective clients to buy life insurance, such as, backing up a hearse to the front door and asking the fathers if their families can afford for them to take this ride. Every mature living soul needs an Eternal Life Insurance policy to assure their destiny beyond the grave. Why? You need Eternal Life Insurance because *"the wages of sin is death"* (Romans 6:23a) and *"all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God"* (Romans 3:23), *"but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord"* (Romans 6:23b). Unlike mere life insurance which benefits others in the event of your death, this policy allows you to be the beneficiary. This is even better than fire insurance because it can allow you to escape the fires of hell, which is called the "second death."

A wise man once asked, *"if a man dies, shall he live again?"* (Job 14:14). Yes, there is life after death. The Founder and Head of the company has died and seen the other side. He returned to this side of death having resurrected from the dead to assure you that it is possible to have eternal life. You need this policy because this short life on earth is not all there is.

You also need this policy because eternity is a very long time. The word "eternal" comes from the Greek word "ainonios," which means, "everlasting, without end, never to cease, or indeterminate as to duration." Try and measure the length of eternity in your mind. The last verse of the hymn, *Amazing Grace* reads: "When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we've first begun." If an ant could walk on the equator traveling at the rate of one-seventeenth of a mile an hour and wear the earth in half, how many years would it take? However long it might take would not represent even one day of eternity. Again, suppose the entire state of Texas were made of wood. How long would it take a termite to eat the entire state? However long it might take would not represent even one second of eternity. We are finite beings limited by time

and subject to the limitations of space. This restricts our ability to comprehend life without time - eternal life. Yet, you still should be able to understand that your future in eternity is worth protecting with this policy.

You cannot afford to die without Eternal Life Insurance. If you die without this policy *"how can you escape the condemnation of hell?"* (Mt. 23:33). Those who do die without this policy *"will go away into everlasting punishment"* (Mt. 25:46). However, those who have this policy *"shall not be hurt by the second death"* (Rev. 2:11).

Your Policy Will Provide You with Protection

Your Eternal Life Insurance Policy will protect you from *"flaming fire"* and the Divine *"vengeance on those who do not know God, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ"* (2 Thess. 1:8) and from *"everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power"* (2 Thessalonians 1:9). Furthermore, this policy can protect you from *"the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death"* (Rev. 20:8b). If you have this policy you will be able to rest easy without fearing *"Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell"* (Matt. 10:28). These represent just a few of the protections provided you by this policy.

Some Essential Facts about the Company

The founder of this Eternal Life Insurance Company is none other than Jesus *"the Christ, the Son of the living God"* (Matt. 16:16) who built His church upon that fact (Matt. 16:18). It is the only one He built. This Divine company was founded at Jerusalem in about A.D. 30 (Acts 2:1,16,47) making it the oldest and sole provider of this policy (Eph. 5:23b). Its home office and headquarters is located in heaven where Jesus is currently serving as the Head of the company (Col. 1:18; Ephesians 1:22,23). Branch offices (or congregations) can be found located in principal cities and even small communities all over the world. They are known as *"churches of Christ"* (Romans 16:16). The rate book used is the Bible. *"All Scripture is given by*

inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work" (2 Timothy 3:16,17). The authority for offering this policy resides in Christ from God (Matthew 28:18).

You will be happy to learn that the company's present standing is excellent. The company's capital consists of *"the unsearchable riches of Christ"* (Ephesians 3:8). The security and assurance of your benefits are *"incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you"* (1 Peter 1:4). The reason for this is the great surplus is *"exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think"* (Ephesians 3:20). Yet at the same time this company accepts all liabilities (John 6:27). To top it all off in dividends you *"receive a hundredfold now in this time--houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions--and in the age to come, eternal life"* (Mark 10:30).

Cost of this Policy

Unlike regular life insurance policies this policy is free. It has already been paid for. It is a free gift from God through the sacrifice of His Son (Romans 6:23). There is nothing you can do to purchase or earn the benefits of this policy.

Application for this Policy

Although this policy is free. It can only be obtained by you (the sinner) by making a personal application for this policy. The first condition: you must *"believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved"* (Acts 16:31). Second, you must repent or turn away from your life of sin and turn back toward God (Acts 2:38). Next, this policy can only be obtained *"if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation"* (Romans 10:9,10). Finally, this policy is given at the moment you are baptized to wash away your sin (Acts 22:16). Jesus has

promised, *"he who believes and is baptized will be saved"* (Mark 16:16).

Maintaining the Policy

Once the conditions of the application by you (the sinner) has been met, the policy will become effective. There will be no monthly or annual premiums paid by you. Jesus paid it all. However, this policy will only remain in effect so long as certain conditions are maintained. It is possible to lose your Eternal Life Insurance policy (Gal. 5:4). You must continue *"steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers"* (Acts 2:42). And you must not forsake *"the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another"* (Hebrews 10:25). You must *"be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord"* (1 Cor. 15:58). It is also necessary *"to keep oneself unspotted from the world"* (James 1:27). Finally, *"be faithful until death"* (Revelation 2:10) and you will receive the full benefits of this Eternal Life Insurance policy.

Special Policy Provisions and Benefits

This policy gives you benefits from the start. The immediate benefits are *"forgiveness of sins"* (Eph. 1:7). Furthermore, the moment you are saved from your sins God adds you to His company (the church) (Acts 2:47). From the first day you *"have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous"* (1 John 2:1,2). You also have fellowship with God the Father, Christ His Son, and the Holy Spirit (1 Jn.1:3; 2 Cor. 13:14). And you *"have become heirs according to the hope of eternal life"* (Tit. 3:7).

Not Covered in this Policy

This policy is not for everyone. Some, due to their life choices, have been excluded from this policy unless they change their condition. People who will not hear Christ will not receive an Eternal Life Insurance policy (Acts 3:23). Those who will not believe Jesus Christ is the Son of God (Jn. 8:24; Mk. 16:16) or repent of their sins (Lk. 13:3; Ac. 17:30) cannot obtain a policy. Those who will only meet the first condition of the application

(believe) will not be given this policy. *"You see then that a man is justified by works, and not by faith only. ...For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also"* (James 2:24,26). This exclusion also applies to those who will not confess Christ publically (Matthew 10:31,32). Those who attempt to earn eternal life by following the Law of Moses will not be issued a valid policy. *"You have become estranged from Christ, you who attempt to be justified by law; you have fallen from grace"* (Gal. 5:4). *"The cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars shall not receive an Eternal Life policy (Revelation 20:8). Believe it not, this policy will not even be issue to the one who hates his brother. "Whoever hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him" (1 John 3:15).*

This Policy Is a Limited Time Offer

This offer may end without any prior notice. This is not some lame sales pressure tactic. You can die at any moment without a policy. Christ may return unannounced catching you without an Eternal Life Insurance policy. Time is running out on this offer of a lifetime. *"Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation"* (2 Cor. 6:2). If you do not have an Eternal Life Insurance policy contact one of Christ's representatives immediately. If you already have an Eternal Life Insurance policy check to see if you have properly maintained it. Let us know if we can help you get your policy up to date.

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Eternal Life Insurance Policy

You most likely have auto insurance to protect you and others from loss in the event you are involved in a traffic accident. Perhaps, you have fire or flood or comprehensive home owner's or renter's insurance to protect your home and belongings. Your place of employment may provide you with health insurance to help cover the costs for illness. Some companies offer burial insurance. Most people think it wise to have life insurance to pay off their home and provide for loved ones in the event of death. Have you considered obtaining an Eternal Life Insurance policy?