

### The golden opportunity for individuals (3)

I went to meet my father and all what I can think about is the scene that I saw in the dream. The voice of the people screaming was frightening and terrifying, even if the light was bright and the sound was clear, but only few went to the light and escaped their fear and terror. I greeted my father and said to him, father, I have a question that concerns me, why do people fear death, is it really horrifying?

He said: People fear death for three reasons.

1- No trust in eternity.

In fact, most people are not afraid of the moment of death itself, but they are afraid of what will happen after death.

When a person loses hope and faith in a happy eternity, and thinks that after he dies he will go to hell to be tortured or at the very least he does not know where he will go, so he lives in fear of torture or in terror of the unknown.

I said: What is the solution, father? Fear is a terrible thing to live with?

He said: The fear of death is really terrifying and makes people restless, as if they are in bondage. The solution to this problem is that you trust in the happy eternity that awaits you, and death becomes not a fearful thing, but a desire and just a transit. And frankly, these days are a golden opportunity for each of us to trust in the eternity that awaits us. The trust in eternity makes us live joyfully, happily and death becomes a desire.

I said: Is it that simple?! Father. How do I trust that I will have a happy eternal life after I die?

He said: My son, **this is Christianity.**

Christ came to forgive us all our sins and bring us back to the happy eternal life, and everyone who believes in him and repents for his sins will have a happy eternal life, and whoever does not trust in

We die just temporarily so we can pass from death to eternity. Without leaving this life, we will not attain the eternal life, for death is not an end but rather a transit” .  
The martyr  
Cabrianos.  
Divine Love Book,  
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this, does not benefit from the coming of Christ, forgive me, but he lives as if he is not a Christian or even more miserable than atheists.

I said: more miserable than atheists?

He said: This is not my words, but it is the words of the Apostle Paul. He said, “If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable” (1 Cor. 15:19).

If we hope in Christ only in this life, that we fast, pray and strive against sin, and in the end we will not go to eternity. We are the most miserable of all people. And not only that, my son, but whoever consider himself a Christian and does not trust that he will have an eternal life, he considers God as a liar.

I said: He who says he is a Christian and does not trust that he has eternal life, says that God is a liar?!!

He said: This is also not my words, but it is written in (1 John 5: 9-11). He says that God testified that he who believes in the Son has eternal life. And whoever does not

believe God makes him a liar. There are many, many verses that show us clearly that we have an eternal life, including:

Because God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son so that everyone who believes in Him will not perish but will have eternal life (John 3:16).

- He who believes in the Son has eternal life (John 3:36).

- Verily, verily, I tell you that whoever hears my word and believes in the one who sent me has eternal life (John 5:24)

- And this is what He promised us: eternal life (1 John 2:25).

I wrote this to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life (1 John 5:13).

- Because we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, an eternal house in heaven, not built by a human hands (2 Cor. 5: 1).

After all this clarity and certainty, do we doubt that we have eternal life!! How can we be Christians!! How do we say that we believe in Christ and the Bible!! And what is the benefit of Christianity if it does not give me trust and hope in a happy eternal life!! And as Saint Cyprian says, “Behold, God promises eternity and eternity for you to leave the world, so do you doubt? If you doubt, you will never know God and disobey Christ, the teacher of the believers. Whoever doubts God’s promise of eternity to us after his departure does not know God, is disobedient to Christ, and is not a believer, according to St. Cyprian. Because God in Christianity is completely different, God is full of love and affection, not a mighty avenger.

I said: It is really a sad and unfortunate thing that we do not believe this and we think that we are Christians! We lived long years in illusion and a golden opportunity

Death for those who understand it, is eternity. As for the idiots who do not understand it, it is death. We must not fear this death, but fear the destruction of the soul, which is the lack of knowledge of God.  
St. Anthony.  
Divine Love Book, p. 715

arises now to renew our thoughts according to the Bible and not according to the teachings of the world. But is it that easy? Father, since I am a Christian, I will have eternal life, whatever I do?!

He said: In terms of easiness, it is easy. As the Bible says, as long as you believe in Christ, you will have eternal happiness. And what you do, is an indication of your faith. The evidence for true faith in Christ is that you do the work of Christ (James 2:20). The evidence of true belief in eternity is that you are doing works worthy of eternity. Is it possible that a person lives in a filthy place and wears dirty clothes and says "I am a prince and I live in the palace" and he is telling the truth?

I said: It is impossible, so he is either crazy or a liar. If he is a real and sane prince, he would live in the palace, wear

We glorify you,  
Mother of God,  
because from the cross  
of your son, Hell was  
brought down, and  
the death has been  
ended. We were dead  
and then we were  
risen, and we  
deserved an eternal  
life, and we were  
blessed with the first  
paradise.  
Agpeya  
The sixth prayer

the clothes of a prince, and act like a prince.

Unfortunately, Father, many times I act like this person.

He said: You act like this person because you do not believe that you are a prince and a son of Christ, because if you do not believe that you have an eternal life, then your inner thoughts will tell you without you know it “ In any case you are lost, there is no need for doing any effort”. But if you believe the words of Christ and trust that you have eternal happiness and that you are a prince, this faith gives you a divine grace and a mighty power by which you can strive and reject the sin.

I said: And if I fell, what should I do?

He said: The soldier who fights must be alert, but if he gets injured he must rise up quickly. If you fall, trust in an immediate and complete forgiveness, because if you do not trust in the immediate forgiveness, you will not find any meaning to rise and continue your fight, and the devil will try to make you doubt your forgiveness by any

means. But trust in a complete and immediate forgiveness, as soon as you repent not at the end of the month or at the end of the day.

Trust that you are a prince and you are the son of the king of kings (Rev 1: 6). You are the inheritor of the happy eternity. And start living on this basis, this will save you from the fear of death, but will make death for you a joy and a desire, as it is written, "I have a desire to depart and be with Christ which is far better" (in 1:23).

I said: But to live as a prince all the time is not an easy thing. The world is full of temptations and evils?

He said: What we said today is the beginning of the life of the princes 'the true Christian'. But how can you live this life, how can you be nourished, how can you behave, and how can you fight? This is a life of learning and progressing. You can use the curriculum of principles of spiritual life. Get started step by step and apply its practical steps. When you start with Christ, you will find



that you are living the days of heaven on earth (Deut. 11:21) and God's kingdom will be within you from now (Luke 17:21). And death will only be a change of place. Because Christ who be with you here and there will complete your life with him. These days are a golden opportunity for you and every one of us to start now. Opportunities do not wait for us for long.

I said: I will start the curriculum from today by grace of our Lord. Goodbye, Father.

After I left my father, I said (to myself) “Uh,

Lord Jesus, I lived for years frightened and terrified of death. This all is because of my ignorance of your gospel and your teachings. Your picture was distorted for me.

Help me take advantage of this golden opportunity that made me think about death, and let me live as a Prince, a son of the king of kings, waiting for eternal and happy life with you. Lord you know that I am Yonge and sins are

The happiness of the righteous persons will be received in the resurrection in heaven, but the token of this happiness and its first fruits shows its spiritual impact from now on in the hearts of believers.  
Saint Mark the Hermit  
Divine Love Book,  
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fighting me, support me if I fell, give me hope, and give me the trust of your complete and immediate forgiveness, don't let me stay in my sins and my doubts in your forgiveness for a month or a week. You are my father and only savior Amin. "

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