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# Friend or Enemy?

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-Romans 5:10

No one had invited me to the meeting on the front lawn of my high school campus that day. In fact, I was eavesdropping on the Christians' time of worship. But the preacher there made one statement that hit my heart like a lightning bolt from Heaven: "Jesus said, 'You're either for Me or against Me.'"

In other words, you're either God's friend or God's enemy.

I looked around at the Christians and thought, "They're the friends of God. They have a relationship with Him, and they are for Him. I'm not one of them. Does that mean I'm against God?"

The last thing I wanted was to be against God. So that was the day I became a Christian.

If you're not a friend of God, then by default you're an enemy of God. Romans 5:10 says, "For since our friendship with God was restored by the death of his Son while we were still his enemies, we will certainly be saved through the life of his Son" (NLT).

The Bible also says that "whoever therefore wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God" (James 4:4 NKJV).

Are you a friend of God? If not, then you can come into a relationship with Him. You can have your sin forgiven and can go to Heaven when you die.

Maybe you're thinking, "No, that's too good to be true."

It is true, and it can be true for you right now. Jesus died on the cross for your sin. He stood in the gap for you and died in your place. And if you'll turn from your sin and believe in Him, you can be forgiven and know, without any doubt, that you go to Heaven when you die.

You can have friendship with God today.