Subject: Re: Question for Christians
Posted by cheesesoda on Mon, 11 May 2009 05:11:08 GMT
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R315r4z0r wrote on Mon, 11 May 2009 00:41Edit:
OHH I get what you are trying to say. But I think you're stopping your reasoning a bit short.

It's not simply that we are forgiven because he died for our sins. We are only forgiven if we believe he did.

Think of it sort of like a two part objective for each individual person's debt to be payed off. Him dying would meet the first objective, us believing would be the second objective.

It's not a question of whether or not it is reasonable or not, it's simply the rules of the game.

I mean, do you question why you collect $100 every time you pass 'Go' in Monopoly? It's the same situation here.
If a debt is forgiven, then a debt is forgiven. It's that debt that separates us from God and Heaven, and that was paid by Christ's death on the cross. Nothing else keeps us from God but our sinfulness. Which, again, is overtaken by Christ's death.

Besides, you just lead me back into my second point. If we have to BELIEVE that Christ died on the cross for our sins, then it wasn't the dying that clears our debt, but our acknowledgment of the falsified payment (that are are to believe is truth!).

Also, we're not capable of earning our way into Heaven. It's through Christ ONLY that we are able to achieve salvation. Having a 'second objective' negates Christ being the ONLY way.