

Running from God?

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Are you running from God? Of course you're not. Psalm 139 tells us that "If I ascend to heaven, You are there; If I make my bed in Sheol, behold, You are there."

But seriously, do you pretend that if you close your eyes and cover your face that He cannot see you? Or that if you run from Him in disobedience, He will leave you alone?

I heard a story recently about a man on the run. He had stolen a car. At a hideaway, he taped some rock music from the radio to listen to in the car. He came out of the shower to learn that the radio had somehow switched stations—to a Bible preacher. Of course, he cut the power to the whole setup immediately.

But when the fleeing man popped the cassette into the car's player, instead of amped guitars, he heard the preacher say, "If you're running from God, you need to stop."

He sought a local church and accepted Jesus Christ's offer of total forgiveness for all of his sins ever through His death on the cross as soon as he could.

You cannot hide from God, and you really do not want to do that.

Aside from the fact that He loves you so much that He would rather die than live without you, where else will you go?

Satan slyly disguises sin as seductive and alluring. He originated the "no money down, no payments for one year" idea. But that kind of advertising never tells the buyer that when the bill comes due, it will wallop them with interest charges on steroids.

Jesus says, "Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light," (Matthew 11:29-30).

Jesus never promises no burden, just that He will give supernatural power to carry it—to obey His commands. The burden of the pleasures of the world becomes heavier and heavier until they bury the one seeking to enjoy life through them.

God has never caused any disappointment or tragedy in your life; Satan did that by introducing sin into the world. You can trust the Lord—stop running from Him and run to His loving embrace today!

I have never met anyone who has said they wished they had put off embracing Christ as their Savior even one more day. Just do it!