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But it can be found opened
before the throne of the
ANCIENT of DAYS [God]

*“And the Ancient of Days
took His seat...
A river of fire was flowing...
The court sat,
and the Books were opened...”
Daniel 7:9-10*



*Qs
your
name
written
here?*

What's inside the Book of Life?

The events of your life and the choices
you made fill up the Book and will
determine your eternal destiny.

Here is one example from the Tanach,
from the prophet Daniel, speaking
about the *Book of Life*.

*“Now at that time Michael, the great
prince who stands guard over the
sons of your people, will arise. And
there will be a time of distress such
as never occurred since there was a
nation until that time; and at that
time your people, everyone who is
found written in the book, will be
rescued.”*

*Who will be among those rescued?
Will you be among those rescued?*

According to the *Brit Chadasha* (New
Testament) to be written permanently
in the *Book of Life* means to have
eternal life with God.

So how do we get our names in?

Quick Questionnaire:

Which of the following deeds or
actions will reserve a page for you
in the *Book of Life*?

- Fasting**
- Giving to charities**
- Doing acts of kindness**
- Praying**

While these activities are, of
themselves very good, are these truly
the works that God requires you to do
in order to have your name inscribed in
the *Book of Life*?

*What makes us good enough to be in
inscribed in the Book of Life?*

This is an age-old query. Consider the
words of the Jewish followers of Yeshua
(Jesus) who were questioning the same
matter 2,000 years ago.

They asked:

*“What shall we do, so that we may work
the works of God?” (John 6:28)*

Yeshua answered them:

*“This is the work of God that you believe
in Him, whom He has sent” (John 6:29).*

As with Abraham and throughout bible history, belief exclusively in the Word of God was essential in order to have a relationship with God.

What might keep us out of the *Book of Life*?

Sin is a **very serious matter** to God and forgiveness comes only when we recognise sin's gravity and its hindrance to a relationship with God.

The prophet Isaiah wrote,

“But your sins have made a separation between you and your God, and your sins have hidden His face from you so that He does not hear” (Isaiah 59:2).

However, forgiveness comes when we accept the means God provides for covering or atoning for these sins. Adam thought that a fig leaf cover-up was good enough. God gave him an animal skin instead. God prescribed the blood on the altar as an atonement for sin (Leviticus 17:11). These sacrifices are no longer possible without the Temple, yet God's requirements for sin have not changed.



The root of any good work must be grounded in faith and love for God through the Messiah

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Though there is no present day Temple, here is the *Good News* from the 53rd chapter of Isaiah: Our sins are covered by Messiah Yeshua's atoning death. For this is what it reads in the chapter: *Surely he took up our pain and bore our suffering...he was bruised for our iniquities...by his stripes we are healed...the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.*

Are we good enough to get into the Book of Life?

No, but Yeshua (Jesus), who carries our iniquities writes our name in it.

Read Isaiah 53 and consider of whom the prophet speaks.

