

But what if God did not exist? **But what if** Jesus were not the Anointed Christ/ Messiah many had expected? **But what if** God was not the Creator of all? What a wonderful thing someone, somewhere in ancient history, found that something within men made them want to live in peace and harmony with his neighbor! Look at all man has already accomplished! **But what if** God is real? **What if** the influence for the good of mankind comes from Him? **But what if** man really does have a sin nature and chooses to ignore or defy God? **But what if** there really is a Heaven and Hell?

But what if God who is Holy, says “enough is enough” and decides to destroy all who refuse to believe in Him? **And what if** He decides to choose one family to re-inhabit the earth? Would you be there? Think about the alternative!

But what if the Bible is actually and totally true? **What if** it were written by men who were inspired by the Holy Spirit, men who honored God by obeying Him and recording His Words as instruction and inspiration for us? **What if** all He said is true and a worldwide flood did occur? Evidence of that event is found on every mountain top in every country all over the earth! **But what if** this really was a punishment for man’s sins?

But what if, as many people believe, that God really has what Christians call the “Rapture”, where not all people will die, but be changed instantly as they are caught up to Heaven? Sounds crazy to many, **but what if it is true?!!**

But what if the Bible predicts a fiery finish for this earth? How then, will that affect you? **What if** Heaven and Hell are real locations and after death, one or the other will of them will be your future destination? **BUT WHAT IF YOU CHOOSE TO IGNORE THAT POSSIBLY?** Someday you will not have to ask, but will know for sure!

1 Cor.15:51- 52 CEV “I will explain a mystery to you. Not every one of us will die, but we will be changed. It will happen suddenly, quicker than the blink of an eye. At the sound of the last trumpet the dead will be raised. We will all be changed, so that we will never die again. Verses 57-58 “But thank God for letting our Lord Jesus Christ give us the victory! My dear friends stand firm and don’t be shaken. Always keep busy working for the Lord. You know everything you do for Him is worthwhile!”

With every New Year, we pause and reflect on what has been good and effective for us, and what has caused us hurt, confusion, dismay or misery in some way! Whatever is within our own power to change, we need to make an effort to do so. Some things are beyond our control and may not be pleasant to deal with, **but God can help us by granting us wisdom and strength and courage to face the future as we put our trust in Him!** Begin the New Year and each new day by thanking the LORD that He really does exist and is ready and able to help us to enjoy His Blessings and Presence in our lives!

In His Service, Blessings! Mary Mayko
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