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Psalm 18:30, "As for God, his way is perfect:"

There are many ways which man chooses which are not pleasing to God. The Bible stresses one good way that is strait and narrow, while the bad way is referred to as "**broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction**"(Matthew 7:13). Many religious men say this destruction is eternal hell. However, if this premise was true, and it's not, then man would be entirely responsible for his own salvation. Also, God's mercy and grace would be of non affect. This heresy is not true and never has been. Eternal life is a gift of God.

Paul, In Hebrews 3:10, spoke of a whole generation in the time of Moses which God said, "They do alway err in their heart; and they have not known my ways." If there is any thing we all need to do a better job of, its knowing what pleases God and what He requires of us. A much quoted verse is found in Isaiah 55:8 and then also verse 9, "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts."

In Isaiah 58:2, God told Isaiah to tell His people what their transgressions were, even though "...they seek me daily, and delight to know my ways, as a nation that did righteousness, and forsook not the ordinance of their God." They had some good ways! What then, are some of our ways that do not please God? It could be: when we are jealous, when we lack compassion, when we fail to worship Him, when we speak corrupt communication, when we think and dwell on evil thoughts, when we are covetous, when we don't tell the true, when we rob God of praise or honor or of His glory, when we are unfaithful to God, or our loved ones, or our church. As you can see, this thought can go on and on. Sorrowfully, many of us do not want to admit to our shortcomings and therefore they are never corrected.

Hebrews 6:1 has Paul saying, "...let us go on unto perfection;..." Understanding that we are not going to achieve perfection while on this sin cursed earth, does it give us any right not to seek perfection in the service

of God" Of course not! This is clarified in Romans 6:1, "What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound?"

Perfection is an attribute of God, like being all wise, all knowing, and many others. God is truth! God is love! God is able! God is good! God is at hand! God is Peace! God is just!

Now is a good time for all of us to change our ways that need to be changed. It can be too late to change your ways in this life. Death will take those opportunities from you. The resurrection will make you perfect in a way you have never been nor ever could be if it were not for the grace of a perfect God. We need to work of our ways while remembering that, "As for God, his way is perfect!" *Think About IT!*