

# Fortunately for us, God is nothing like Santa Claus.



God is not checking to see who's been naughty and who's been nice. Why? Because he knows that we've ALL been naughty. He says, "There is not a righteous person on earth who does what is right and never sins."<sup>1</sup> So how does it work with God?

God came up with a solution for our naughtiness. The Bible says that, "God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life."<sup>2</sup> And, "This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him."<sup>3</sup>

God's Son came into the world so that one day, years after his birth, he would be crucified for the forgiveness of our sins and rise to life again. Pretty good deal really. He did all the work. But now each of us must individually take advantage of what he did for us.

If we receive Jesus into our lives, he will wipe the slate clean. He gives eternal life not to those who have been 51% good, but to those who have been 100% forgiven. If you have questions, read the section called "John" in the Bible, or see [EveryStudent.com](http://EveryStudent.com).

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<sup>1</sup> Ecclesiastes 7:20

<sup>2</sup> John 3:16

<sup>3</sup> 1John 4:9