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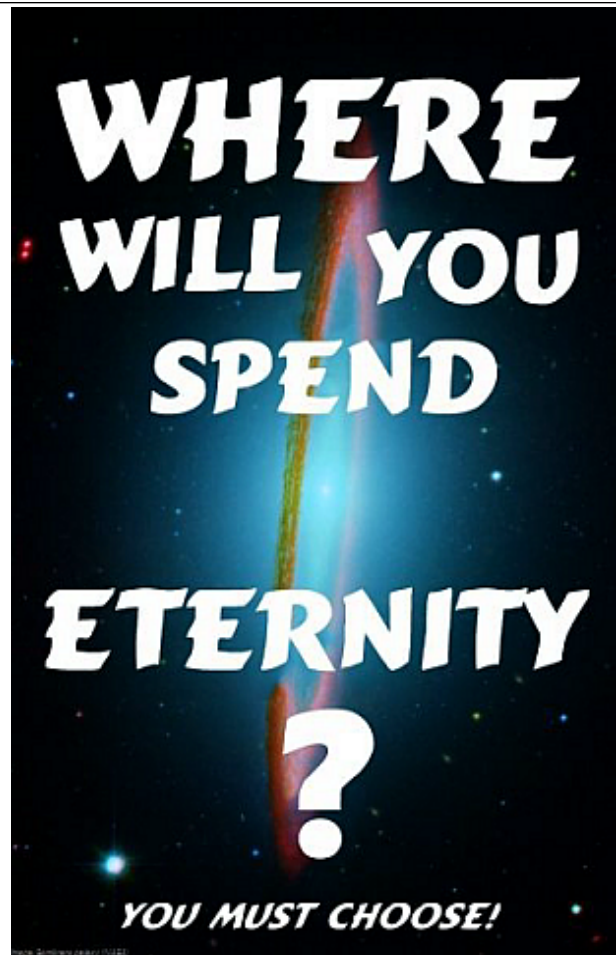
Now is the time for **salvation**, (2 Cor. 6:2) — while you are yet breathing. Neither your church or good deeds can save you, and the Lord Jesus said, "Ye must be **born again** (born spiritually) to be with God. Decide today to **believe** in the Lord Jesus with **all your heart**, and be **cleansed** from **all your sins**, and be made **alive** within, and thus have a **new life following Him**. (Jn. 3:3,7; Acts 15:7-9; Eph. 4:22-24)

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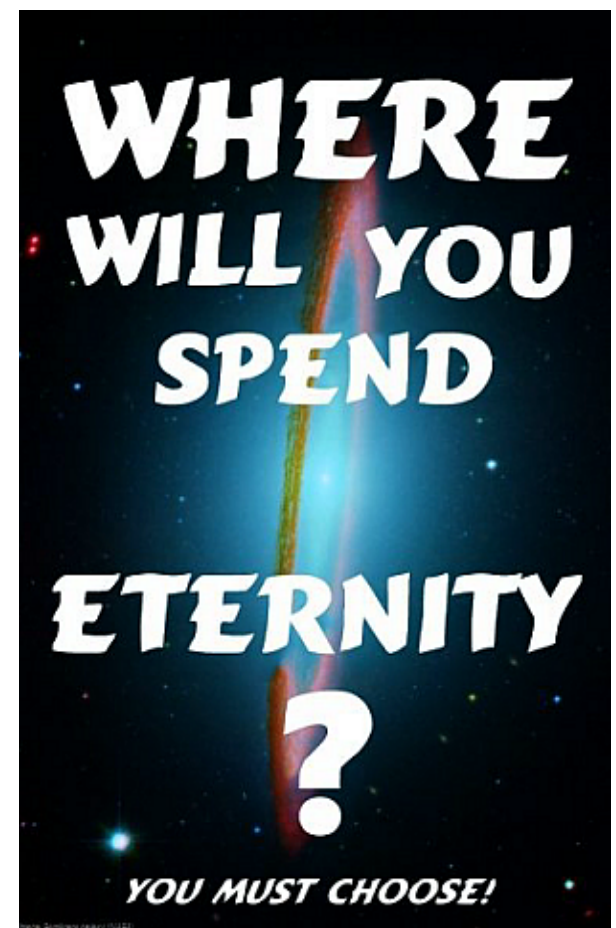
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