



# “The Question That Stops Christians in Their Tracks”

2 Corinthians 5



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## Greg Koukl vs. Deepak Chopra


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“So, You’re Saying that Anyone  
Who Doesn’t Believe Just Like  
You, Is Going to Hell?”

- Do you think people who commit moral crimes ought to be punished?
- Have you ever done any wrong things?
- ‘By the way, are either of you interested in a pardon?’

“Deepak Chopra Meets Greg Koukl: THIS is How You Defend Christianity”  
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**Unfortunately, it's just  
a little more  
complicated than that!**

# The “Question”



“So, You’re Saying that Anyone  
Who Doesn’t Believe Just Like  
You, Is Going to Hell?”



Do you believe I am lost?

- This is usually an attempt to prejudice an audience.
- This may be a sincere question.
- This may be from another faith.
- This may be from an agnostic.
- This may be from a sectarian.
- This may be from a Christian.

# You Are Asking the Wrong Question!

- It does not matter what *I believe*.
  - *My opinion* is no better than anyone else's.
  - *My opinion* will not affect your condition.
- You need to know what the Scriptures say!
- Because *I am not your judge* (2 Corinthians 5:10).





# The (Modern) Socratic Method

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**Questioner**  
**Teacher**  
**Facilitator**  
**Coach**  
**Manager**



## Elicitation

What is a square, my friend?

## Undefined Answer

I'm not sure.

or

## Hypothesis

A square is a shape with four sides.

## Examination

I see. And are there any other shapes with four sides? What about a door?

## Response

Yes, a rectangle has four sides.

or

## New Hypothesis

Then I suppose a square is a shape with four sides of equal length.



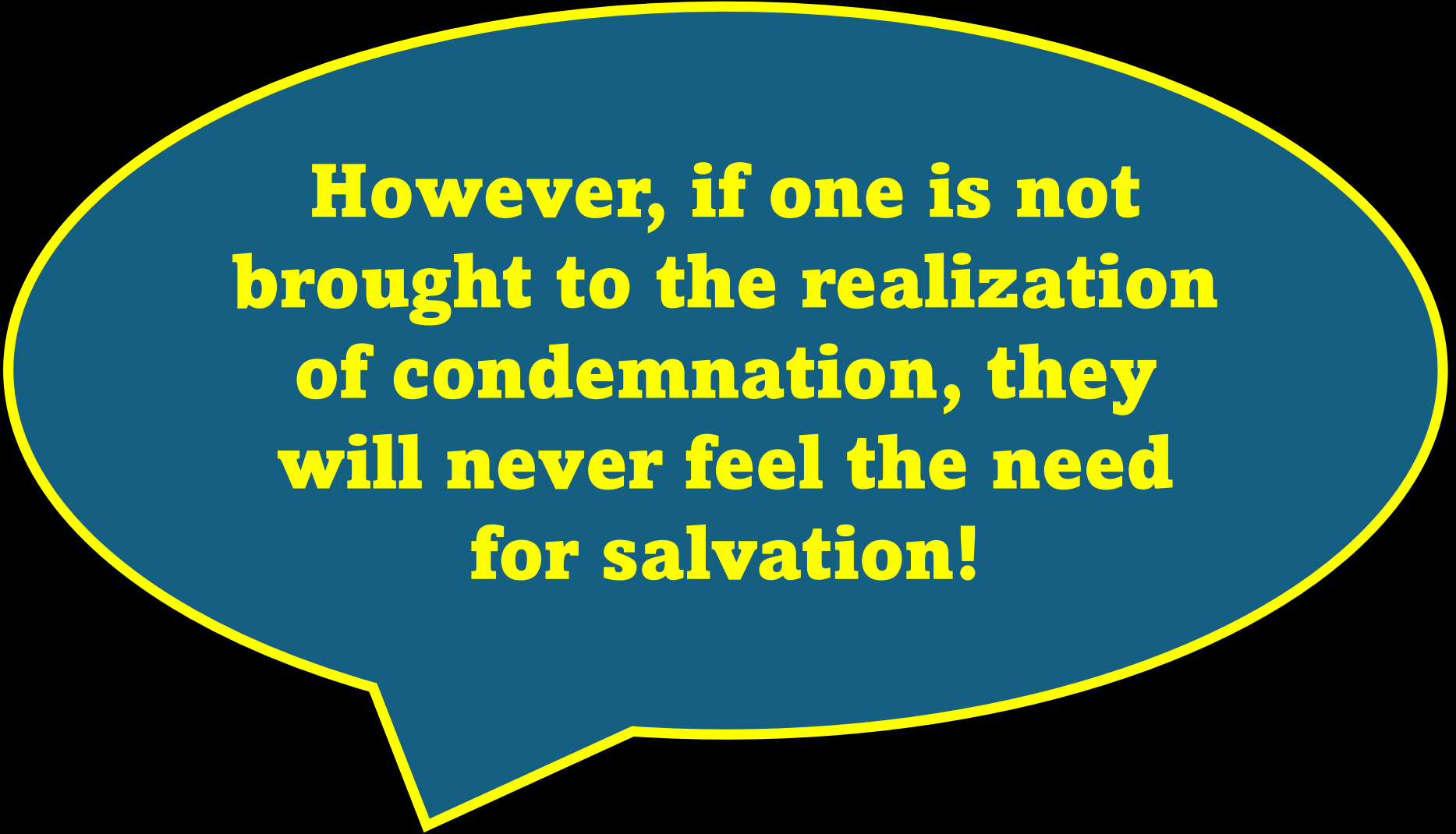
**Interlocutor**  
**Student**  
**Participant**  
**Client**  
**Employee**

# What Do the Scriptures Say?

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- Do you believe in God? (Psalm 19:1; Romans 1:18-20; Genesis 1:1)
  - Do you believe the Scriptures? (Hebrews 1:1-3; John 16:4-15; 2 Timothy 3:16-17)
  - Do you believe Jesus is the Son of God? (Romans 1:1-4)
  - Do you believe in heaven? (John 14:1-4)
  - Do you believe in accountability? (Acts 24:25)
  - Do you believe in hell? (John 5:28-29)
  - What did Jesus say about condemnation? (Matthew 7:13-14; 21-23)
  - What did Jesus say about salvation? (Matthew 28:18-20)
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**However, if one is not  
brought to the realization  
of condemnation, they  
will never feel the need  
for salvation!**



A conceptual image showing a person standing on a long, straight path that recedes into the distance. The path is flanked by dark, swirling clouds on the left and bright, golden light on the right. In the upper right, a large, glowing question mark is superimposed on the sky. The overall mood is one of contemplation and inquiry.

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- ❖ The “Question”
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- ❖ The Socratic Method
- ❖ What Do the Scriptures Say?