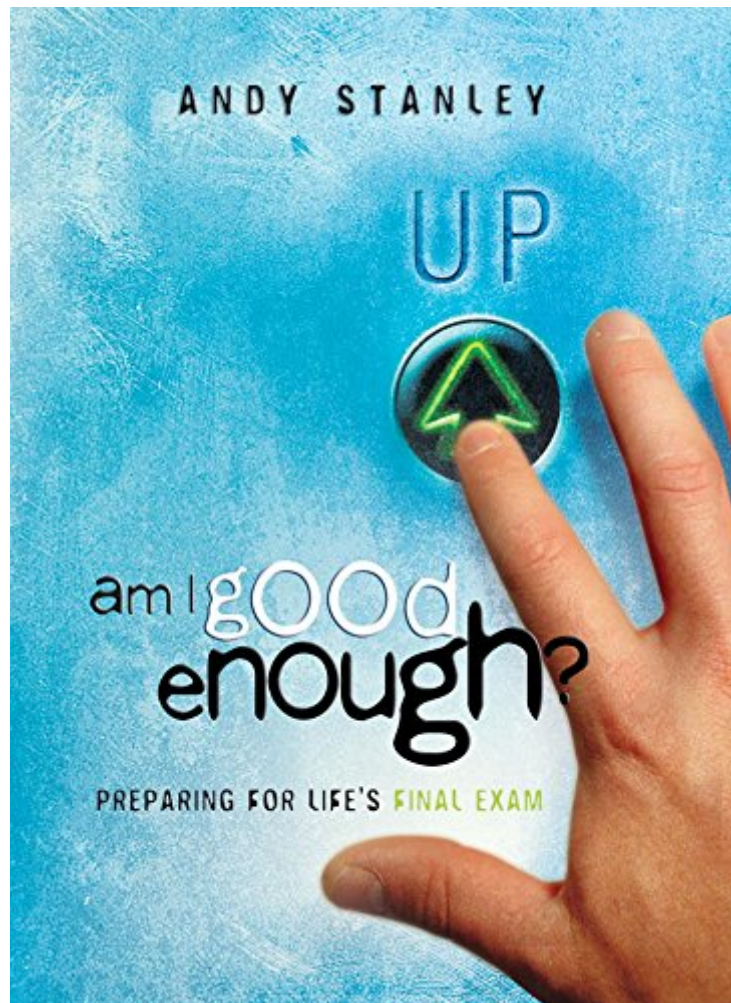


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Synopsis

I Ask Myself Every Day...âAm I Good Enough?â Christians claim that Jesus is the only way to heaven. But how could a good God, who created the entire universe in all its diversity, be so limiting? Is Christianity unfair? Isnât it more fitting to believe that good people from any religious or nonreligious background go to heaven, rather than people from one particular belief system? Maybe not, says Andy Stanley. In this updated edition of the bestselling book, teen readers will find out why Jesus taught that goodness is not even a requirement to enter heavenâand why Christianity is beyond fair. Andy Stanley leads the next generation of young people to a grateful awareness of Godâs enormous grace and mercy. If only good people go to heaven, would I make the cut? If Christianity is true, why is God so narrow-minded? And why arenât the answers obvious?! They are. Find out why being âgood enoughâ has nothing to do with heavenâs requirements, and why God is, in fact, not fair at all. Story Behind the Book Andy Stanley has a heart for families and a special place for todayâs youth. Having served for many years as a youth and young adult pastor at a large church in Atlanta, his greatest goal was to lead a young person to Christ. With the success of his book How Good Is Good Enough and its acceptance as a widely used evangelistic tool, it was a natural step to refine this important question for the youth of today. Andy wanted to write a text that was aimed right at the heart of todayâs young culture and put a cover on the book that would interest and attract them to it. Todayâs youth are constantly looking for assurances in a crazy world. They get that assurance by learning that it is not how good you are, but that you are forgiven. From the Hardcover edition.

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If you accept the premise that there is an afterlife, this book is an interesting read. For those who do not accept such a premise, you may want to look elsewhere as there is no argument for the afterlife found here. This book assumes you believe in an afterlife and then addresses the different worldviews (or after-world views) associated with that belief. The author makes an excellent argument for the unfairness of the "good people go" belief as there is no standard by which one can measure what is good among most of those who hold this view. The author further argues that the Christian worldview suggests that the Bible does tell us what is good and furthermore that we cannot achieve it with perfection. The end of this argument is that, since we cannot be perfectly good, the only way God could be fair was to ask one thing of us: believe on me and my Son and be saved in spite of your imperfections. Of course, the biblical teaching would go on to say that the free gift of salvation should not be used as an excuse to do wrong just because we are redeemed by the gift of God, but this book does not continue past the initial acceptance of God's gift. For a fresh view on preparations for eternity or for a reasoned argument for why all religions can't be correct, this book is an excellent starting place.

I have used this book for our high school leadership team at my church. It is awesome! Fantastic questions are being brought up, and the students are learning more and more about God's grace in their lives.

Andy Stanley takes a step by step walk through the basics of what Christianity is. He takes the time to show how it is different from all other religions and how it makes sense.

This is a small book, but it makes a huge impact! Andy Stanley writes with wry humor at times, but he gets to the heart of the matter in a wonderful way. He leaves the reader to make up his own mind, but what he has to say, is something that every person who believes in the "good people go to heaven" theory needs to read. Good people don't go to heaven...forgiven people go to heaven.

There ARE no good people, for all fall short of the glory of God. Andy explains in detail why this theory, which has been around forever, is so flawed. How do you measure goodness? You can't, because none of us have been given anything to measure it by! This book is a gem, one of the most thought provoking and enjoyable books I have ever read. If you're already a Christian, use this book to reach out to others. If you're not...well, read it and make up your own mind. Realize that you're banking your eternity on a theory which just doesn't hold up.

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