

Australian Communities Survey: What Do People Believe?

Hi. We're from a non-profit organization called Soldiers of the Cross. Recently, our new Prime Minister, Julia Gillard said she did not believe in God and that Australia is no longer a Christian nation. We are wanting find out if this is true.

We are taking a survey of what people in different communities believe and will be posting the results on our website at www.soldiersofthecross.com.au/survey. Would you honor us by giving a few minutes of your time?

DEMOGRAPHICS:		Person 1	Person 2	Person 3
Gender: (Male/Female)				
Age: (<20, 21-40, 41-60, 61-80, 81+)				
Location: (<i>Please specify Town and State</i>)				
SURVEY QUESTIONS:				
1.	What do you believe happens when someone dies? (A) Heaven or Hell (D) Nothing (B) Some other kind of afterlife (E) Other (<i>Please specify</i>) (C) Reincarnation			
2.	Do you believe in a God? (Yes/No) (<i>If no, then ask remaining questions using the hypothetical 'if', eg. "If there is a God, does God...."</i>)			
3.	Does God care about right and wrong? (Yes/No)			
4.	Are God's standards the same as the world's? (Yes/No)			
5.	Will God punish sin? (Yes/No)			
5a.	(<i>If No</i>), Do you think God is unjust that He wouldn't do at least what an earthly judge would do? (Yes/No)			
6.	Is there a Hell? (Yes/No)			
7.	Is there a Heaven (Yes/No)			
8.	Do you get to Heaven or avoid Hell by living a good life? (Yes/No)			
9.	What do you think is the purpose of the Ten Commandments? (A) To help us live a good life (B) To show us our sin (C) Both (D) Neither (E) Other. (<i>Please specify</i>)			
10.	How many of the 10 Commandments can you name? Exodus 20 (<i>Please tick</i>)			
	1. No other gods but God			
	2. Do not create idols			
	3. Do not misuse God's name			
	4. Keep the Sabbath day holy			
	5. Honor your father & mother			
	6. Do not murder			
	7. Do not commit adultery			
	8. Do not steal			
	9. Do not lie			
	10. Do not covet (greed/jealous)			
11.	Do you think you have kept the Ten Commandments? (Yes/No)			
	Let's look at them to see if that's true. (<i>Some questions may need explanation, please feel free to do so as necessary</i>)			

SURVEY QUESTIONS <i>(continued)</i> :		Person 1	Person 2	Person 3
12.	Have you ever told a lie? (Yes/No) <i>Keep in mind: This includes any untruth, white lies, fibs, exaggerations, etc.</i>			
13.	What do you call someone who tells lies? Revelation 21:8 <i>(Correct answer - A Liar. Please specify their answer)</i>			
14.	Have you ever stolen anything, regardless of its value? (Yes/No) <i>Keep in mind: The value, size, and amount don't matter? Copying homework, cheating on a test, taking someone else's credit are other examples.</i>			
15.	<i>(If yes)</i> , what do you call someone who steals things. 1 Corinthians 6:9-11 <i>(Correct answer - A Thief)</i>			
16.	Have you ever used God's name as a curse word? (Yes/No) As in, 'Oh my G..', etc.			
	That's called blasphemy. <i>(Explain further if necessary)</i>			
	Jesus said ""You have heard that it was said, 'Do not commit adultery.' But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart. " Matthew 5:27-28			
17.	Have you ever lusted before? (Yes/No)			
18.	The Bible says that if we hate our brother, we are a murderer. 1 John 3:15			
19.	Have you ever hated someone in your heart? (Yes/No)			
	<i>(Insert person's name)</i> , you just admitted to being a <i>(insert commandments broken, eg, a liar, a thief, a blasphemer and an adulterer and murderer in your heart)</i> . These are only 5 of the Ten Commandments.			
20.	If God judged you by the Ten Commandments, would you be: Innocent or Guilty ?			
21.	Where do you think you would go? (Heaven or Hell)			
	<i>(If Heaven)</i> , is this because they think God will just forgive them. If so, explain that we can't get to Heaven just because we are sorry and hope God will just forgive us. We do need to be sorry and repent, but there is still a punishment to be paid. The Bible says that the 'Wages of sin is death' Romans 6:23. That is how much God hates sin. That is why we deserve Hell.			
22.	For Christians who answer this survey, please note here. <i>(But make sure first)</i>			
23.	<i>(If Hell)</i> Does it concern you that if you died today you would go to Hell? (Y/N)			
24.	Did you know it's not God's desire to see anyone go to Hell? (Yes/No) (Ezekiel 18:23, 32, First Timothy 2:3-4, Second Peter 3:9, John 3:16-17)			
25.	Would you like to know how God has made a way for us to be forgiven and delivered from our sins so we can go to Heaven? (Yes/No)			
(If Yes), explain the Gospel (John 3:16 "God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him will not perish, but have everlasting life"). God loved us so much, that He sent His Son, Jesus Christ, to take our punishment of death upon Himself by dying on a cross 2000 years ago, shedding His blood. Then He rose from the dead on the third day to prove that He had accomplished this and had defeated sin and death. What we need to do is repent of our sins against God (and name them) and believe and put our trust in Jesus Christ as Lord (ie. Master or Boss) and Saviour, in that we are made right with the Father only through Him (John 14:6). Then God will give His Holy Spirit to live within you and make you a new person on the inside. Then read your Bible daily and obey what you read, pray and find a Bible-believing church to go to.				
26.	Do you think you need to do that? ie. Repent and put trust in Jesus (Yes/No)			
27.	Would you like to do that now? (Yes/No) If yes, allow them to pray and then pray for them. If no, encourage them not to leave it too long. No-one knows when they are going to die.			

Thank you for your time in completing this survey.