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The third word to say is 'Please'. The reason Jesus came into the world was to pay the penalty of our sin. The Bible says that all we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned, every one, to our own way, but God laid on Jesus the evil deeds of us all. When Jesus suffered on the cross, He was carrying on Himself everything that would cut us off from God, keep us out of heaven, and condemn us to hell. But Jesus died and rose again from the dead to offer us new life. **God is life** and will give you His eternal life if you ask Him.

Today, would you sincerely pray these three words? Will you turn from what is wrong in your life, from going your own way, and ask Jesus to be your Lord and Saviour? Ask him to take you through life, through death, and into eternity with Him. To quote the what3words tag-line, you will 'never get lost again'.

God is not located in a 3-metre square somewhere on planet earth! Heaven and earth cannot contain Him, yet He is willing to live, by His Holy Spirit, within your life. 'Sorry'; 'thank you' and 'please' are the most important words to pray because they determine your eternal destination. Heaven or hell depend on whether you have trusted in Jesus to forgive your past and be Lord of your life. Today, take these three words to God in prayer.

1. Hosea 14:2
2. Luke 18:13

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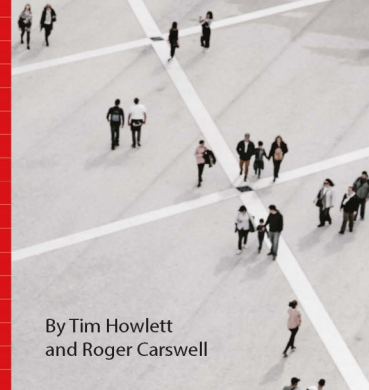
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/// what three words?



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Did you know that the world has been divided into 57 trillion squares, each measuring 3 metres square and each having three unique words to locate them?

For example, the door of 10 Downing Street is slurs.this.shark, the top of the steps at Stormont is shots.volunteered, events, and the Angel of the North is penned.handicaps.nearly. If you move 3 metres to one side you will have a totally different set of words! This concept is used by emergency services. Its tag-line is 'Never get lost again'.

Words are important.

For every word in *Mein Kampf*, the thick volume written by Adolf Hitler, 123 people died in World War II.

If you have ever stood at the front of a church next to your future spouse and said the words, 'I do' or 'I will'; you will know they changed your life for ever.

And if a judge ever says to you, 'I sentence you to...' you will realise how important words can be.

Centuries ago, a Bible prophet speaking to the nation of Israel said, 'Take words with you, and return to the Lord.' So, what words does God want to hear?

God is not interested in pious prayers, vainly repeated, with little meaning. The words God hears and acts on are simple, though life-changing. There are three of them:

///thankyou

First, we can say to God, 'Thank You'. Though life can be tough, God is always good. We can thank Him for life, health, friends and family, food, and the beauty of the world around us. Most of all we can thank Him that He knows all about us, yet loves us. The Bible teaches that **God is love**.

///sorry

Then we need to say to God, 'Sorry'. Sorry is the hardest word to say. I can't pronounce the railway station name in Anglesey, Llanfairpwllgwyngyllgogerychwyrndrobwlllantysiliogogoch. But saying sorry to God, for neglecting Him, ignoring Him, living as if He were dead, can be even harder! Jesus once told the story of two men: one was deeply religious; but when he prayed, he told God how good he was. The other was a corrupt man, who bowed and prayed, 'God be merciful to me a sinner!'. It was that prayer that God heard and answered by forgiving him. The Bible teaches that **God is light** and knows all about us.

