

MISUNDERSTANDING THE MESSAGE

Introduction – Christianity is accused of being a life-denying and escapist ideology. Supposedly it is only concerned with saving your soul and you going to heaven when you die.

3 John 2

1 Thessalonians 5:23

A. God created everything including our humanity.

Genesis 1:27-28, 31

B. God became fully human in Jesus.

Colossians 1:15-20

C. *Resurrection* in Greek literally means *being raised bodily*.

John 20:24-29

Philippians 3:20-21

Conclusion – It is actually some forms of Greek philosophy, Eastern religions, and secular ideologies that are life-denying and escapist. Even the future hope of Christians is more “earthy” than it is usually understood.

2 Peter 3:13