The Only Door to Heaven Charles Stanley

I. Introduction.

A. Some who think they are open-minded are not as open-minded as they might think.

B. Text: Matthew 7:13.

C. There is only one door to heaven. The way to heaven is only through Jesus.

II. A person will die in eternal separation if he is not born again—there is no exception. (John 3)

A. The new birth is a spiritual experience.

- B. The believer has a new life because of the indwelling of the Holy Spirit.
- C. A person cannot just be good because all of his works are based on the wrong motives.

III. A person must be born again because it is a command.

IV. A person must be born again because of his sinful condition and need for transformation.

V. Jesus wanted people to believe in Him, which means believe that Jesus Christ is God in the flesh. (John 6-8)

- A. Either Jesus is God, or He is a fake.
- B. If a person believes that Jesus is really God, there will be a commitment to Him.
- C. When a person has the Spirit dwelling in him, he will be convicted when he sins.

Application questions:

1. What does it mean to be born again?

2. Why should true belief be accompanied by commitment? Explain.

3. How would you respond to someone who says that people who say there is only one way are not open-minded? Explain.