

## How to become a Christian

The Bible tells us that there is one thing that separates us from God; that one thing is sin. The Hebrew and Greek words translate sin as a transgression. To transgress means "to step across" or "to go beyond a set boundary or limit."

1 Iohn 3:4

Whoever commits sin transgresses also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law.

But we have to remember that we are all human beings and that we have all sinned. We have all missed the mark and fallen short in one aspect of our lives or another.

Romans 3:23

For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God.

As we learn from reading and studying our Bibles, there is no big for small sin. Sin is sin and we are all guilty of it.

Some people think that going to church every Sunday and paying their tithes alone will guarantee them a place in Heaven. This could not be farther from the truth. There is no amount of money nor good deed that can pay someone's way into Heaven. Heaven is something you cannot earn, it's a free gift. It's God's grace that allows you to come to Him

Although we are born in sin, God loves us all the same. He made us, we are his children.

Romans 5:8

God demonstrates His own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

The price for your salvation was paid in full by Jesus Christ when he was crucified for your sins and mine. It is not something that you can earn. It is a free gift from God.

*Titus 3:5* 

*He saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of His mercy.* 

It is by the Grace of God and by His Mercy that we are saved from our sin and transgressions.

Ephesians 2:8-9

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God not by works, so that no one can boast.

When Jesus died on the cross and was brought back to life by God, He paid the way for you and me to have eternal life and to have a personal relationship with God. We can go to him ourselves with all of our problems. We can develop a closer, spiritual walk with our Father.



John 3:16

For God so loved the world that He gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish, but have eternal life.

All of this can be yours if you accept the precious gift that God has placed before you. If you are ready to accept God into your life, there are a few things that must be done. You have to realize that this is a life changing commitment. Here are the things that you will need to acknowledge to begin your Christian walk.

I acknowledge I am a sinner in need of a Savior - this is to repent or turn away from sin.I believe in my heart that God raised Jesus from the dead - this is to trust that Jesus paid the full penalty for my sins. I confess Jesus as my Lord and my God - this is to surrender control of my life to Jesus. I receive Jesus as my Savior forever - this is to accept that God has done for me and in me what He promised

If this is your sincere desire, and you are ready to receive Jesus into your heart as your personal Lord and Savior, let's go to God in prayer

Kind and Merciful Father,

I am a sinner and in need of salvation. I know that I am not worthy of your Grace and your Mercy but I come to you as humbly as I know how asking you for your forgiveness. I believe that Jesus died and rose from the grave so that I might have everlasting life. I am asking you to please come into my life and make me a new creature. Forgive me, save me, I place my life in your hands. Amen

If this is your prayer and you have accepted Christ into your life, please contact us so that we can celebrate your new life with Christ and encourage you. There may be questions that you have and you may have the desire for additional guidance. We are here for you.