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## Introduction

On December 26, 2004, in the Indian Ocean, a tsunami was triggered that killed over 230,000 people. The magnitude of loss in human life and physical property makes the 2004 tsunami one of the greatest natural disasters in the history of the world. I visited several coastal towns in India that had been devastated by the tsunami. As I stood on the shore looking out across the Sea of Bengal, I was overwhelmed as I thought about the 230,000+ people who had died. As I contemplated the tremendous loss of human life, the Lord reminded me that there is a spiritual tsunami in the world every day. Every 24 hours between 150,000 and 250,000 people in the world die, and their souls go out into eternity. God has created us with a physical body that will last only a few years on earth and a soul that will live forever in either heaven or

hell. Like many of the people who died in the 2004 tsunami, most people do not think about the ending of their lives on earth or make preparations for eternity. Most people are consumed with their short physical life on earth and give little thought to where they will spend eternity. What will I wear? Where will I go today? What will I eat? How can I earn more money? Whom will I spend time with? How can I entertain myself? Most people's time is consumed with the here and now. It is hard to overestimate how foolish and costly this mistake is. Even those of us who live the longest will live just a few short years. Many of us will live much shorter lives than we anticipate. However, once we die physically, our souls will dwell eternally either together with God in heaven or separated from God in hell. This book was written to help people prepare for eternity. Will you

invest a few minutes preparing for your eternity by reading this book and responding to the biblical truth revealed in its pages? The content of this book is taken from the Bible and reveals the truth of God about how we can be saved from our sins and prepared for eternity.

In the following pages you will learn the biblical truth about

- Why all people need to be saved.
- How God has made our salvation possible.
- Why anyone can be saved.
- What salvation really is.
- How we receive God's gift of salvation.

The biblical truth revealed in the next few pages has the power to change your life and your eternity. Keep reading and learn how your greatest need and God's greatest gift are the same thing!



## **CHAPTER ONE**

### *ALL PEOPLE NEED TO BE SAVED*

**Key Verse:** “Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?”  
II Corinthians 13:5

#### **I. We need a biblical understanding of why we need salvation.**

A. All people need to be saved because sin and its destruction have entered the world.

1. Adam and Eve were the first humans God created. God put them in a place called the Garden of Eden where they lived in a perfect relationship with Him. God gave Adam and Eve clear instructions concerning what they could and could not do. Satan tempted Eve to

disobey God by eating forbidden fruit. Eve yielded to that temptation, listened to Satan's lies and ate the forbidden fruit. Adam joined Eve in her disobedience, and sin entered not only their lives but also the perfect world God had made. In Genesis 3:6, Moses recorded Adam and Eve's sin, "And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat."

2. In I Corinthians 15:22a, Paul wrote, "For as in Adam all die . . . ." Adam's sin did not bring death to just him. Through Adam's disobedience, sin and the death it brought entered the world and passed to all mankind.

B. All people need salvation because sin and its destruction pass to all mankind at physical birth.

1. In Romans 5:12, Paul wrote, “Wherefore, as by one man [Adam] sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned.” Sin came into the world through Adam’s disobedience, and its penalty passed to all mankind through him.

2. In Romans 5:18a, Paul wrote “Therefore as by the offence of one [Adam] judgment came upon all men to condemnation . . . .” Paul states that through Adam’s sin, all mankind has become guilty of sin and is under the same penalty of death that Adam was under.

C. All people need salvation because everyone except Jesus Christ has sinned.

1. In Romans 3:10, Paul wrote, "As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one." When we measure ourselves against Jesus Christ and His perfect word, we know that there are none righteous.

2. In Romans 3:23, Paul wrote, "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God." Scripture teaches that with the exception of Jesus Christ, every person who has ever lived has sinned. We are all sinners and need salvation.

3. In Exodus chapter 20, Moses told the Israelites about the Ten Commandments God had given him on Mt. Sinai. Every person who examines himself in light of the Ten Commandments has his sin revealed. In Exodus 20:7a, Moses wrote, "Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain . . . ." However, we have all blasphemed God's name by using profanity. In

Exodus 20:8, Moses wrote, "Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy." None of us have kept every sabbath day holy. In Exodus 20:13, Moses wrote, "Thou shalt not kill." In the New Testament Jesus said anyone who hates another person has already broken this commandment. In Exodus 20:14, Moses wrote, "Thou shalt not commit adultery." Jesus said if we look on another person with lustful thoughts, we have already committed adultery in our hearts. In Exodus 20:15, Moses wrote, "Thou shalt not steal." No one has gone his whole life without taking something that does not belong to him. I have mentioned only a few of the commandments, and they have revealed us to be blasphemers, Sabbath breakers, murderers, adulterers, and thieves at heart. We are all completely sinful. Because we are all completely sinful, without the salvation of Jesus Christ, we will

stand guilty and condemned when we are judged by Jesus Christ.

4. In James 2:10, James wrote, “For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all.” The law is like a chain made of many individual links. A chain is considered broken if only one link breaks. We are guilty of breaking all of God’s law even if we break only one commandment.

D. All people need salvation because the penalty for sin is death, and since we are all sinners, we are all under a death sentence.

1. In Romans 6:23a, Paul wrote, “For the wages of sin is death . . . .” The Bible teaches that the penalty for sin is death. God’s holiness and justice demand that sin be punished.

2. In James 1:15, James wrote, “Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth

forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death." The result of all unforgiven sin is death. The Bible does not view some sins as small or insignificant. All sin is rebellion against God's holy Word and perfect will and the penalty for all sin is death.

3. In Revelation 20:11-15, John wrote, "And I saw a great white throne, and him [Jesus] that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, stand before God; and the books were opened and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged ever man according to their works.

And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.” God is keeping a perfect record of all our sins. If we do not confess, repent, and receive forgiveness for our sins before we die, God will judge and punish our sins. The punishment for all unforgiven sinners is eternal torment in hell.

E. All people need salvation because our sin keeps us from being in God’s family.

1. In I John 3:10, John wrote, “In this the children of God are manifest, and the children of the devil: whosoever doeth not righteousness is not of God, neither he that loveth not his brother.” A lost person’s unforgiven sin is a daily reminder that he is not a child of God. The Word of God



teaches that all unsaved people are children of the devil.

2. In John 8:44a, Jesus said, "Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do." Jesus told the religious Pharisees, who thought their spiritual father was God, that in actuality their father was Satan. The Pharisees believed their religious devotion and spiritual heritage made them children of God, but Jesus said they were children of the devil. All unsaved people are children of the devil.

**CHAPTER TWO**  
***GOD HAS MADE OUR SALVATION***  
***POSSIBLE***

A. God sent His Son, Jesus Christ, to pay the penalty for mankind's sin.

1. In John 3:16, Jesus said, "For God so loved the world, that he [God] gave his only begotten Son [Jesus], that whosoever believeth in him [Jesus] should not perish, but have everlasting life." Mankind is not capable of atoning for his own sin, so God sent His son, Jesus Christ, to do what man could not do.

2. In I John 4:10, John wrote, "Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he [God] loved us, and sent his son [Jesus] to be the propitiation for our sins." God demonstrated His love by sending Jesus Christ to be the perfect sacrifice for our sin. Jesus was sinless and thus able to pay our sin debt on the

cross because He had no sin debt that needed to be paid for himself.

B. Jesus Christ died on a cross and shed His blood to pay the penalty for sin.

1. In Luke 9:22, Jesus told His disciples, "The Son of Man [Jesus] must suffer many things, and be rejected of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be slain, and be raised the third day." Jesus Christ came to earth with His face set unwaveringly toward the cross. Jesus knew and proclaimed that He must suffer, die, and be raised from the dead.

2. In Colossians 1:20-22, Paul wrote, "And, having made peace through the blood of his [Jesus'] cross, by him [Jesus] to reconcile all things unto himself [God], by him [Jesus] I say whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven. And you, that

were sometimes alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now hath he [Jesus] reconciled in the body of his [Jesus'] flesh through death, to present you holy and unblameable and unproveable in his [God's] sight." Jesus Christ laid down His body on a cross and allowed men to take His life so He could die for mankind's sin. Jesus Christ shed His innocent blood so there would be an agent that could cleanse the stain of our sin.

C. Jesus Christ rose from the dead victorious over sin and death.

1. In Matthew 28:5-6, Matthew wrote, "And the angel answered and said unto the women, Fear not ye: for I know that you seek Jesus, which was crucified. He [Jesus] is not here: for he [Jesus] is risen, as he [Jesus] said. Come, see the place

where the Lord [Jesus] lay.” Three days after Jesus Christ’s burial, some women came to anoint Jesus’ body with burial spices. They found the stone in front of Jesus’ tomb moved away and an angel seated on the bolder. The angel told the women that Jesus had risen from the dead just as He had promised He would. Jesus is alive! We can live only because Jesus Christ lives.

2. In I Peter 1:3, Peter wrote, “Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his [God’s] abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.” Jesus Christ died for our sins, but if He had stayed dead, we would still have no hope. We can be born again and have victory over sin and death only because of Jesus Christ’s resurrection.

D. Jesus Christ offers sinners a chance to receive salvation as a free gift.

1. In Romans 6:23, Paul wrote, “For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.” The gift of salvation cost God everything and is offered to sinful mankind as a free gift.

2. In John 1:12, John wrote, “But as many as received him [Jesus], to them gave he [Jesus] power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his [Jesus’] name.” We must all make a choice to receive Jesus Christ by faith or reject Jesus Christ and the salvation He offers.

3. In Romans 10:13, Paul wrote, “For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord [Jesus] shall be saved.” God is willing to receive,

forgive, and save every person who will call on the name of Jesus Christ through faith.

## CHAPTER THREE

### *ANYONE CAN BE SAVED*

A. The Bible teaches that whoever places his faith in Jesus Christ will be saved.

1. In John 3:16, Jesus said, "For God so loved the world, that he [God] gave his only begotten Son [Jesus], that whosoever believeth in him [Jesus] should not perish, but have everlasting life." God does not love just certain people, but all people. God sent His son to die for the sins of all people. The Lord offers eternal life to everyone who will place faith in Jesus Christ.

2. In John 3:17, John wrote, "For God sent not his son [Jesus] into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through him [Jesus] might be saved." God's desire in sending Jesus Christ was that the whole world might be saved through Him. The Bible teaches that many



people will reject God's free gift of salvation, but that is not because God does not want them to be saved.

B. The Bible teaches that whoever calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

1. In Acts 2:21, Peter proclaimed, "And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord [Jesus] shall be saved." Peter believed that every person who heard his sermon at Pentecost could call on the name of Jesus and be saved. Preachers and hearers of God's Word today can still have confidence that God will save whoever will call on the name of Jesus through faith.

2. In Romans 10:13, Paul wrote, "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord [Jesus] shall be saved." Paul stated with confidence and without qualification that

whoever calls on the Lord Jesus Christ through faith will be saved. We can have confidence that if we call on Jesus Christ for salvation, He will hear our prayers and save our souls.

C. The Bible teaches that Jesus Christ died for all people.

1. In II Corinthians 5:14, Paul wrote, "For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one [Jesus] died for all, then were all dead." Jesus Christ came to earth to die for the sins of all people. It is possible for all people to be saved because Jesus Christ died for all.

2. In I John 2:2, John wrote, "And he [Jesus] is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world." Jesus sacrificed His body and shed His blood for the sins of the whole

world. We can be confident that Jesus Christ paid the debt for all sin.

D. The Bible teaches that Jesus Christ came to earth to save sinners.

1. In I Timothy 1:15, Paul wrote, "This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief." Paul taught that Jesus Christ came to earth to save sinners. Since we are all sinners, it is logical to believe that Jesus Christ came to save us if we will allow Him to do so.

2. In Luke 19:10, Luke wrote, "For the Son of man [Jesus] is come to seek and to save that which was lost." The sole purpose of Jesus Christ's coming to earth was to provide a way for sinners to be saved. Jesus Christ is still seeking out sinners who need salvation.

E. The Bible teaches that Jesus Christ desires for all people to be saved despite the fact that not all will be saved.

1. In II Peter 3:9, Peter wrote, “The Lord [Jesus] is not slack concerning his [Jesus’] promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.” The Bible teaches that not all people will receive Jesus Christ and be saved. However, that does not change the fact that God desires all people to be saved. If we fail to receive God’s free gift of salvation that is not God’s will, but ours.

2. In Luke 13, Jesus used an interesting analogy to describe the passion with which he pursues the lost. In Luke 13:34, Jesus proclaimed, “O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, which killest the

prophets, and stonest them that are sent unto thee; how often would I [Jesus] have gathered thy children together, as a hen doth gather her brood under her wings, and ye would not!" Jesus longed to save the people of Jerusalem like a hen wants to protect her chicks under her wings. Jesus was willing to save the people of Jerusalem, but they were not willing. Jesus Christ passionately desires to save all people, but some people will not accept His free gift of salvation.

## CHAPTER FOUR

### *WHAT SALVATION REALLY IS*

A. Salvation is the person and work of Jesus Christ.

1. In Luke chapter 2, Jesus' parents took Him to the temple to be circumcised. The aged priest, Simeon, was ministering and received Jesus into his arms. As Simeon looked at Jesus, he began to pray. In Luke 2:30, Simeon prayed, "For mine eyes have seen thy [God's] salvation." Simeon declared that when he saw Jesus, he was looking at God's salvation. Salvation is not a religious philosophy or spiritual fairytale, but the person and work of Jesus Christ.

2. In Acts 4:12, Peter proclaimed, "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name [except Jesus] under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." Peter realized there was no

salvation without Jesus Christ because He alone is salvation. There is no other religious founder, teacher, institution, or church that can provide salvation. Salvation is available only through a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

B. Salvation is being born again spiritually by the power of the Holy Spirit.

1. In John 3:3, Jesus told the religious leader, Nicodemus, “. . . Verily, verily, I [Jesus] say unto thee, except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.” Nicodemus mistakenly thought Jesus was speaking of being born a second time physically. However, Jesus confirmed that He was speaking of a supernatural birth made possible by the Holy Spirit.

2. In I Peter 1:23, Peter wrote, “Being born again, not of corruptible

seed, but incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever." We cannot be born again physically or through human effort because we are sinful. God's perfect word reveals the work of God the Holy Spirit, and we can be born again only by His perfect work and power.

C. Salvation is entering God's family and becoming His child.

1. In John 1:12, John wrote, "But as many as received him [Jesus], to them gave he [Jesus] power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his [Jesus'] name." When we place our faith in Jesus Christ for salvation, He brings us into His family and makes us God's children.

2. In Romans 8:14-15, Paul wrote, "For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God."



For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father.” Before we receive Jesus Christ as Savior, we are enemies of God and children of the devil. After we are saved, we are children of God, and the Lord is our Heavenly Father. Salvation allows us to know God as daddy.

D. Salvation is receiving the grace of God rather than the justice our sin deserves.

1. In Acts 15:11, Paul wrote, “But we believe that through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ we shall be saved, even as they.”

2. In Titus 2:11, Paul wrote, “For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men.”

Although many reject His grace, Scripture teaches that God has made His grace available to all men. When

God offers His grace and sinful man receives it by faith, he is receiving God's unmerited favor rather than His just punishment for his sins.

3. In Ephesians 2:8-9, Paul wrote, "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast." Salvation is not something man earns through his own efforts, but man receives salvation because of the unmerited favor of God, given to sinful man through faith in Christ. By exercising our faith, we are not working for our salvation. We know this because in Ephesians 2:8-9, Paul contrasts faith with works. Paul says we receive God's grace and salvation not by works which we have done, but by placing our faith in Jesus Christ.

E. Salvation is the passing away of all the old things in our lives and our being made totally new.

1. In II Corinthians 5:17, Paul wrote, "Therefore if any man be in Christ [Jesus], he is a new creature; old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new." Salvation is not our turning over a new leaf in our own strength, but it is God making us new people in Jesus Christ.

2. In Galatians 6:15, Paul wrote, "For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation." The good works and religious acts of man have no power to save. Salvation is the work of God and results in a new person who, with a new nature, is a child of God.

F. Salvation is passing from death to eternal life.

1. In John 5:24, Jesus said, “Verily, verily, I [Jesus] say unto you, He that heareth my [Jesus’] word, and believeth on him [God] that sent me [Jesus], hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.” We deserve death because of our sin, but when we place our faith in Jesus Christ and repent of our sin, He gives us everlasting life instead.

2. In John 3:16, Jesus said, “For God so loved the world, that he [God] gave his only begotten Son [Jesus], that whosoever believeth in him [Jesus] should not perish but have everlasting life.” Salvation, which is given to sinners who place biblical faith in Jesus Christ, assures that they will not experience eternal punishment in hell, but eternal life in heaven.

G. Salvation is having peace with God through our faith in Jesus Christ.

1. In Romans 5:1, the Apostle Paul wrote, "Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." Before we receive salvation, we are enemies of God, but through salvation Jesus Christ causes us to be at peace with God.

2. In Colossians 1:20, Paul wrote, "And, having made peace through the blood of his [Jesus'] cross, by him [Jesus] to reconcile all things unto himself [God]; by him [Jesus], I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven." Nothing sinful man does will appease God's righteous justice. By sacrificing His perfect body and shedding His sinless blood on the cross, Jesus Christ made peace with God possible for sinful mankind. When

we place our faith in Jesus Christ alone and repent of our sin, Jesus restores our broken relationship with God.

H. Salvation is Jesus Christ becoming our sin and making us His righteousness.

1. In II Corinthians 5:21, Paul wrote, "For he [God] hath made him [Jesus] to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him [Jesus]." Jesus Christ did not just die for our sins, but He literally was made our sin so that we might be made His righteousness.

2. In Romans 4:3, Paul wrote, "For what saith the scripture? Abraham believed God, and it was counted unto him for righteousness." Abraham did not become righteous by keeping God's laws and commandments. Abraham placed

faith in God and his faith in God was credited to him as righteousness. Mankind, by human works, can produce only human righteousness, but God's perfect righteousness is given to us when we place our faith in Jesus Christ and are saved.

**CHAPTER FIVE**  
*HOW WE RECEIVE GOD'S GIFT OF  
SALVATION*

A. We must be willing to yield our lives to the drawing and convicting of the Holy Spirit.

1. In John 6:44, Jesus said, "No man can come to me [Jesus], except the Father [God] which hath sent me [Jesus] draw him: and I [Jesus] will raise him up at the last day." Sinful man does not seek God, but God seeks after sinful man. When we sense through the Holy Spirit that God is drawing us, we need to respond positively to His call.

2. In Revelation 3:20, Jesus proclaimed, "Behold, I [Jesus] stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my [Jesus'] voice, and open the door, I [Jesus] will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me [Jesus]." Have you felt the Lord knocking at the door of your heart?



Have you invited Jesus Christ to come into your life and save you?

B. We must place our faith in Jesus Christ alone as our Savior and Lord.

1. Paul wrote in Romans 10:9-10, "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him [Jesus] from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." Faith is trust, and we must place our trust in Jesus Christ alone for salvation. We must believe that Jesus Christ is our only hope for salvation.

2. In Acts 16:30-31, the jailer asked Paul, ". . . Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" Paul gave the jailer a simple and clear answer in the next verse. In Acts 16:31, Paul told the jailer, ". . .

Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.”  
When we ask what we must do to be saved, the Lord gives us the same answer that Paul gave the jailer. Place your faith in Jesus Christ and you will be saved.

C. We must confess our sin to Jesus Christ and ask for forgiveness.

1. In I John 1:9, John wrote, “If we confess our sins, he [Jesus] is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” Notice this verse begins with the word, *if*. God will forgive and cleanse every person no matter how sinful, but we must confess our sins and ask God for His forgiveness.

2. In Proverbs 28:13, Solomon wrote, “He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall

have mercy.” Until we are willing to confess and turn away from our sin, we will not be saved. However, God will have mercy on all people who confess and repent of their sin.

D. We must repent of our sin and turn from our sin to Jesus Christ.

1. In Luke 13, Jesus emphasized twice in these verses the necessity of repentance. In Luke 13:3 Jesus said “I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.” Again in verse 5, Jesus repeated, “I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.”

Repentance is a change of mind that results in a change of action and direction. Have you allowed God to change your way of thinking and acting and thus change the direction you are going in life? Have you repented of your sins?

2. In Acts 3:19, Peter preached, “Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord.” As we confess and turn away from our sin to Jesus Christ, He forgives our sin and never holds them against us again.

E. We must pray to Jesus Christ with a sincere faith and a genuine repentant spirit and ask Him to save us.

1. The way we talk to God is through prayer. Reading a rote prayer without meaning what we say has no power to save our souls. However, if we will call on Jesus Christ through sincere faith and a genuine repentant spirit, He will hear and answer our prayers. If you are willing to place your faith in Jesus Christ alone for salvation, you

can do that right now through prayer. You must humble yourself, confess, and repent of your sin. Pray using your own words to express your thoughts and heart to God. Use the following suggestions to guide you in your prayer.

- a. Thank God for revealing Jesus Christ as your Savior.
- b. Thank God for showing you your sin and your need for a Savior.
- c. Confess that Jesus Christ is God and that you know that He died on the cross for your sins.
- d. Confess that Jesus Christ rose from the dead and is alive.
- e. Confess your sins to Jesus Christ and ask for forgiveness. Take time to list your sins by name.
- f. Tell the Lord that with His help you are turning away from your sin and that you

are going to follow His will  
for your life.

- g. Ask Jesus Christ to give you His gift of salvation. Tell Jesus that you are placing your faith in Him alone for salvation.
- h. Thank Jesus Christ for hearing and answering your prayer.
- i. Thank the Lord for allowing you to be His child and ask Him to help you grow in your new Christian life.

## Conclusion

If you prayed and repented of your sins and placed your faith in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, let me be the first to welcome you to the family of God. You have made the best and most important decision of your life. However, please know that the Christian life is not easy. In fact, Jesus said that everyone who follows Him can expect to suffer and be persecuted in this life. Jesus does not save us just so we can be happy on earth. Salvation brings forgiveness of sins and the firm assurance of eternal life in heaven. The things of this world can produce momentary happiness, but only the Christian life produces a deep abiding joy that transcends worldly circumstances. As a Christian, you will still face problems, suffering, tragedy, and temptation. Although Jesus Christ does not remove us from the harsh realities of this life

after salvation, he does promise to walk with us through our trials. Now that you have accepted Jesus Christ as your Savior, it is important that you begin to grow spiritually. You need to pray and read your Bible daily. Find a strong Bible teaching and preaching church and begin to attend services regularly. The pastor or ministry staff will be happy to share with you how to join the church. Tell the pastor you want to be baptized as soon as possible. Join a Sunday School class, cell group, or small group Bible study so you can learn more about the Bible and meet new Christian friends. Start sharing your faith in Jesus Christ immediately with friends and family members who are lost. Give them this book and ask them to read it.



Please write to me and let me know about your decision to accept Jesus Christ as your Savior. I want to rejoice with you and add you to my prayer list. I also want to send you some Bible study material that will help you start growing as a Christian. The material is free; just write to me and request it.

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