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Journey with God

A LITTLE GUIDE
TO HELP YOU TAKE THOSE FIRST FEW STEPS



New Birth.

STEPPING INTO YOUR NEW LIFE

"Jesus answered and said to him, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God."

John 3:3

By accepting Jesus as your God, believing that He died on the Cross for you & was raised from the dead (proving He is God) & praying the "sinners prayer," all your sins are forgiven and your spirit (your inner-most being) is renewed & you become a 'child of God.' This means your eternity is secure, you go to Heaven & you have a new life. Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come! (2 Corinthians 5:17).

When you make the decision to give your life to Jesus, to make Jesus your Lord & Saviour you secure your eternity.

You are spirit, your spirit is who you are, your spirit is what makes you you. You also have a soul (your emotions & feelings etc) and you (your spirit) lives in a human body. As people we all sin & the price for sin is death (eternal death & torment in hell) but Jesus made a way for you to have eternal life (in Heaven, where there will never be any hurt pain, sadness or anything bad ever again). When you breathe out your last breath on earth, your flesh (body) remains on this earth, but your spirit lives on for all eternity. By making Jesus Christ your God, your Lord & Saviour, you secure Heaven as your spirit's new address for eternity. One single choice & your entire future and eternal existence is secured to be spent in the very presence of God!

The Bible - which is given to us by God Himself, the very Word of God - teaches us that Jesus Christ is the ONLY way. It is only by believing in Jesus as your God, and by then calling on Jesus' Name by praying the "sinner's prayer" that you can become a child of God and thereby know that when you leave earth, you will go to Heaven.

Jesus says: "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, no one comes to the Father except through me." (John 14:6 - Book of John Chapter 14, verse 6).

By believing that Jesus is who He shows us He is & by praying the "sinner's prayer" you are "re-born." This 'New Birth' experience is a spirit experience, whereby a change happens from in your inner most being. All your sins are completely forgiven, your past is erased from you & you are made completely new. 'A new creature.' (2 Corinthians 5:17). You are now a 'child of God.' You belong to God.

Because you are now a child of God, God has sent His own Spirit, the Precious Holy Spirit to come & live on the inside of you. This Precious Holy Spirit is God Himself, which means Almighty God now lives on the inside of you. You will never again be alone and the Precious Holy Spirit will teach you all things about Jesus & He will guide you & help you with everything you need to do. The Holy Spirit will also teach you & help you to understand what the Word of God says. So be sure to always ask the Holy Spirit to help you understand what you are reading. When you read the Bible.

From this day on, your life is changed, you now represent Jesus where ever you are. And wherever you go, God will always be

with you. God will never abandon you. God will guide you in everything that you do. All you need to do is pray (talk to God about everything & anything) & then follow the way He guides you.

In Him (in Jesus) you now have redemption through His Blood that was shed on the Cross, this means you now have complete forgiveness of all your sins. Not because of anything you did, but because God loves you & because you chose to accept Jesus. (Ephesians 1:7). You no longer need to try to earn or obtain redemption, you have it. But what does this mean? It means you have been redeemed from:

- **sin** - you don't have to die & go to hell because of the sins you have committed
- you never have to be **cursed** or live in any bondage ever again. The Bible teaches us that "Who the Son sets free is free indeed" (in the Bible, in the book of John, Chapter 8, verse 36). You simply have to live by & do what the Word of God guides you to do. This also means that the devil's power over your life has been broken. The devil lost his dominion & power over your life the moment you accepted Jesus as your Saviour & became 'a new creature.' (2 Corinthians 5:17).

... PRAY ...

Heavenly Father, thank You for making it possible for me to become a child of God. Thank You for forgiving all my sins & for renewing & restoring me.

In Jesus' Almighty Name.

Amen

... SINNER'S PRAY / PRAYER OF REPENTANCE ...

*Dear Lord Jesus,
I know that I am a sinner,
& I ask for Your forgiveness.
I believe You died for my sins
and rose from the dead.
I turn from my sins
& invite You to come into my heart & life. I
want to trust & follow You
as my Lord & Savior.
In Jesus Name
Amen*

NAME:

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DATE OF MY NEW BIRTH:

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Almighty God.

THE PRECIOUS HOLY TRINITY

*"The Mighty One, God the Lord, Has spoken and called the earth
From the rising of the sun to its going down."*

Psalms 50:1

There is only ONE God. God created all that is. We as humans, with our limited human capacity can never fully fathom or understand God. But thank goodness for this, because a god who can be fully understood by man is definitely NO god worth following & worshipping.

Now, even though there is only ONE God, God is revealed to us in 3 parts. We call these 3 'parts' of God the Holy Trinity. These 3 Holy 'parts' are:

God the Father

God the Son (Jesus Christ)

God the Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit lives in you & helps you (the Holy Spirit helps you with all things, even to pray). It is through Jesus that you are saved & have redemption. Jesus made it possible for you as mere human, to experience the Presence of God & to be able to talk directly to God the Father, in prayer, because God the Father now sees you as pure - washed in the Precious Blood of Jesus (that was shed for you on the Cross).

Therefore, when you pray; you pray to God the Father, through

the Holy Spirit & in the Name of Jesus. Then God the Father, looks down unto the complete perfection, the pure holiness & absolute righteousness of His Only Begotten Son (Jesus). Knowing that by Him (Jesus), the Price was paid for in full for your redemption & in Him (in Jesus) lies the answer to all your questions & needs.

God honours the redemptive work of His Son, by giving to us, through Him (through Jesus) the desire of our hearts. The Holy Spirit is the "Working Power" of the Trinity. It was the Power of the Precious Holy Spirit that raised Jesus from the dead. It is this same Resurrection Power that now flows through your body healing & sanctifying you...

"The Spirit of God, who raised Jesus from the dead, lives in you. And just as God raised Christ Jesus from the dead, he will give life to your mortal bodies by this same Spirit living within you."
Romans 8:11 NLT

... PRAY ...

God, help me through this day. Help me to hear Your Voice & Your guidance. Help me to understand Your Word.

In Jesus' Name.

Amen

Jesus.

MY LORD & SAVIOUR

*Jesus said: "I am the Way, the Truth & the Life, no one comes to the Father except through me."
John 14:6 (4th Book of the New Testament)*

We live in a fallen world & because of this, our fleshly bodies are corrupted by sin. And the penalty for sin is death. But God loves you so much, that He decided to make a way to ensure that your soul would never be lost. God sent His Son, Jesus to earth in the form of man - so that Jesus could die, on the Cross, in your place, instead of you. By dying in the Cross, Jesus took on Himself your punishment for your sins. This is the greatest gift anyone could ever give you, and it is all free. And then Jesus rose again from the dead on the 3rd day (by the Resurrection Power of the Holy Spirit) & ascended into his rightful place, in Heaven - proving that He is God. Jesus is the very image, the manifestation, of the invisible (unseen) God.

Throughout the Bible (the Word of God) Jesus is referred to by different Names, such as "the Son of God," "Jesus Christ," "Messiah," "the Word," "Emmanuel". The Names all represent & describe different characteristics about Jesus.

Jesus is God. The Bible says in Colossians 1:15 "He (Jesus) is the image of the invisible God. . . " The Bible also tells us, in John 1:1 that: "In the beginning was the Word & the Word was with God & the Word was God."

Colossians 1:16 also tells us that "...by Him (by Jesus) all things were created that are in Heaven & that are on Earth, Visible & invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities to powers. All things were created through Him & for Him."

"For it pleased the Father that in Him (in Jesus) all the fullness should dwell..." (Colossians 1:19)

God is Love, God is so Kind & Good, that He will never force anyone to do anything. That is why God has given each person a free will, to do & choose however he or she pleases. God gives every person a choice, an opportunity to accept this gift that Jesus gave you on the Cross, to choose Jesus as your God, your Lord & Saviour.

"For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."

Romans 6:23

Jesus made it possible for you to choose Life - to spend eternity in the very presence of Almighty God.

Jesus loves you so much!

... PRAY ...

Heavenly Father, thank You for accepting Jesus' death on the Cross as payment for my sins. Thank You Jesus for Loving me!

I pray In Jesus' Name.

Amen

Pray.

SPEAK TO GOD, HE'S ALWAYS WAITING
TO HEAR FROM YOU

*"Watch therefore, and pray always that you may be counted worthy to escape all these things that will come to pass, and to stand before the Son of Man."
Luke 21:36*

Praying is talking to God. God wants to hear from you. In fact, God's Word tells us to "commit all things to God" (Psalms 37:5 & Proverbs 3:6) - this means to talk to God about everything. God is never too busy to hear from you or to help you.

Prayers don't need to be perfect. God's loves & accepts you just as you are.

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When you pray, you can start by saying "Heavenly Father..." & then you can end off the prayer with "in Jesus' Almighty Name. Amen"

However, sometimes a prayer may even be as simple as just one word - "Jesus!" That's fine too. You can pray to God wherever you are, even while you're busy working or walking around town. The secret is just to pray (talk to God) as much as you can, God hears everything. And remember, praying is a conversation with God. Like any good conversation, there are times of talking & times of listening... So remember to also listen to God.

. . . PRAY . . .

2 examples of prayers

*Wonderful Heavenly Father,
Fill me with the knowledge of Your Will
in all wisdom & spiritual understanding;
That I may walk worthy of You, Lord,
Fully pleasing You
Being fruitful in every good work &
Increasing in the knowledge of You God*

*Father in heaven,
Hallowed be Your name.
Your kingdom come.
Your will be done
On earth as it is in heaven.
Give me this day my daily bread.
And forgive me my debts,
As I forgive my debtors.
And do not lead me into temptation,
But deliver me from the evil one.
For Yours is the kingdom &
the power & the glory forever.
Amen.*

(Colossians 1:9-10) & (Matthew 6:9-13)