

# How to Become A Christian

You're not here by accident. Jesus loves you, and He wants you to have a personal relationship with Him. There is just one thing that separates you from God. That one thing is sin. Sin is things you have done on purpose that are wrong.

Students tend to divide themselves into groups - good people and bad people. But God says that every person that has ever lived is a sinner, and any sin separates us from God. That includes you and me.

*"For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God." Romans 3:23*

According to our culture, people should be punished or rewarded according to how good they are, and it might be hard for you to understand how Jesus could love you when other people don't seem to. But I have great news for you! Jesus DOES love you! More than you can ever imagine! And there's nothing you can do to make him stop!

Are you thinking that you should make things right in your life before you come to Jesus? Many people feel that way, but that's not what God says!

*"God demonstrates His own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us." Romans 5:8*

For you to come to God you have to get rid of your sin problem. But God says that you can't make yourself right with God by being a better person.

*"He saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of His mercy." Titus 3:5*

It's God's grace that allows you to come to Him - not your efforts to "clean up your life" or work your way to Heaven. You can't earn it. It's a free gift.

For you to come to God, your sin must be paid for. God's gift to you is His son, Jesus, who paid the debt for you.

*"For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Jesus Christ our Lord." Romans 6:23*

Jesus did the time (took your punishment) although you did the crime (committed the sin). God brought Jesus back from the dead and paved the way for you to have a personal relationship with Him through Jesus.

All that's left for you to do is to repent or turn from your ways and accept the gift that Jesus is holding out for you right now.

*"If you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved." Romans 10:9-10*

God says that if you believe in His son, Jesus, you can live forever with Him in Heaven.

*"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." John 3:16*

Are you ready right now? If it is your sincere desire to ask Jesus to come into your life as your boss then talk to God from your heart: He is the only one who can rescue (save) you.

Here's a Suggested Prayer to say aloud:

*"Jesus, I know that I am a sinner and I do not deserve forgiveness. But, I believe You lived a perfect and sinless life. I believe you died for my sins and rose from the grave to prove you are Gods Son. Jesus, come into my life, take control of my life, forgive my sins and save me. I am now placing my trust in You alone for my salvation and I accept your free gift of eternal life. I repent or turn away from my former lifestyle."*

If you have trusted Jesus as your Lord and Savior, please let us know. We want to celebrate what God has done in your life and help you to grow spiritually.