

Child's version

Receive Christ— Understanding Four Truths from the Bible

The Truth about God, Sin, Jesus Christ, and Our Response

The Truth About God

God's plan of salvation begins with recognizing that God is the Creator of all things. God made the heavens and the earth and creatures. (Genesis 1:1). God has all authority over his creation. He is the one who gives life and breath to every living thing. (Acts 17:25-26). God is holy. He is unique, different from us, pure and perfect. We are not. (Isaiah 6:3).

The Truth About Sin

God is perfect and holy. **God cannot be near sin**. He has never done wrong things, but we do. (Romans 3:23). Our **sin separates us from God**, so we would never be able to live in heaven with him. (Isaiah 59:1-2) **We are guilty when we break a rule or a law.** There are **consequences for sin**. (Romans 6:23). **Unless** we are **made right with God**, we will not live with him in heaven when we die. **Sinners live in a place called hell**, separated from God.

The Truth About Jesus Christ

Since there was **no other way** to be **made right with God**, the Bible tells us that God made a way. "For God so loved the world, that he **gave his only Son**, that whoever **believes in him** should not perish but have eternal life" John 3:16 ESV).

Jesus never sinned. He willingly took our place and gave his life to pay the penalty for our sins. We deserved to be punished, but Jesus took our punishment for us. He endured God's just anger for all people's sins. (1 Timothy 2:5-6).

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The Truth About Our Response

All people must decide how to respond. God gives us a choice. We can choose him, or we can choose to reject God and the gift of his Son. If we choose God, we are admitting our sin against God. We then choose to trust in God. God requires us to repent. We choose to stop doing what is wrong, and we live right.

How will you respond?

Will you receive Jesus Christ as your Savior from sin to be Lord of your life? If you would like to receive Jesus, listen to this verse from Romans 10:9, "If you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised him from the dead, you will be saved."

Acknowledge these truths and pray this prayer:

Admit your sin. Choose to turn from it (repent). Believe Jesus died for you on the cross and rose from the grave. Invite and receive Jesus into your heart and life.

Father,

I have sinned against you. I am sorry, and I choose now to stop living in sin. I believe that you died in my place for my sin. I believe you conquered death when you rose from the grave. I invite you now; please come into my heart and life to be my Savior and Lord. I want to live for you. I want to know you more. I will serve you as you lead me. Thank you for the gift of Eternal life.

~In Jesus' Name, Amen.

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