

## Are you ready to make Jesus your LORD and MASTER, right now?

If so, here is a simple prayer to help you put into words what you are feeling inside.

“Dear Lord Jesus, I believe You are the Son of God and died to forgive me of my sins. I know I have sinned. I ask you to forgive me. I turn from my sins, and I receive You as my Lord and Savior. Thank You for saving me. I want to live for You the rest of my life. Amen.

**Mentor:** At this point, ask the child, “What were you asking Jesus when you prayed this prayer?” If his/her answer indicated an understanding of trusting Christ, then proceed. If not, go back over the material to find what the child does not understand. If you discern the child is not ready to make this commitment, encourage him for taking a step of seeking to know more about God. Assure him of God’s love for him, give him the material and ask him to discuss it with his parents, Sunday School teacher or pastor. Pray with him/her.

Do you have Jesus in your life now?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

### If Yes, Congratulations!

Welcome to God’s family.

Look at the promise God gives you so you can know you have eternal life. “...whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life...He has crossed over from death to life.” (John 5:24 NIV)

**Read 1 John 5:11-13 from the Bible**

Today’s Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**This is your new birthday, for you have been “Born Again**

## Jesus IS Eternal life

What do I do now?

- Pray daily (Luke 18:1)
- Read the Bible daily (Acts 17:11)
- Be baptized to confess your trust in Jesus (Acts 2:41)
- Attend church and Sunday School where the Bible is taught (Hebrew 10:25)
- Tell others about your faith in Jesus (Acts 4:32-33)

**Mentor:** please complete the information below and cut on line. Give that portion to the appropriate staff or teacher! Give the pamphlet to the child for review! Thank you!



Child’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Decision made: \_\_\_\_\_

Today’s Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Mentor’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

## Older Children’s Response Pamphlet

Church Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

*...A guide for helping a child enter into a relationship with Christ!*



## How to Answer When Jesus is Calling Me!

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Hello! My name is: \_\_\_\_\_

What is your name? \_\_\_\_\_

I'm glad that you want to make a decision today! Why do you think God wants you to come to Him?

**Mentor:** If they answer, "to be baptized", this is not a guarantee they are ready to be saved or have been saved. A lot of time children identify baptism with salvation. They may come saying they want to be baptized. This does not mean they are ready for baptism. It is key that the child understands what sin is, and that they are sinners. However, they may not realize this until they have heard the Gospel. Proceed carefully with dependence on the Holy Spirit.

Now, Let's take a look at what the Bible, God's Word, has to say! It tells us why and how we should come to Him.

### God Loves You!

#### You are Special to God!

"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

God created you to have a special relationship or bond with Him. But that bond has been broken by what the Bible calls **sin**.



### AND, Sin is BAD NEWS!

What is sin? Sin is; wanting my way instead of God's way.

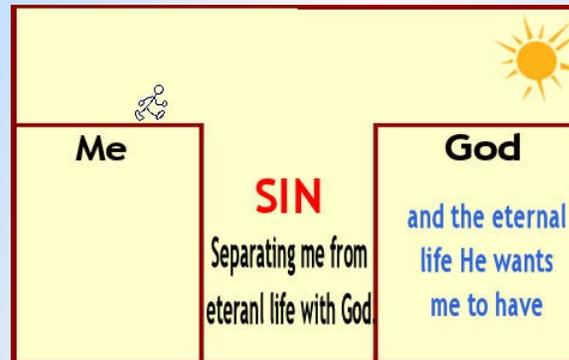
Can you name some sins?

Have YOU sinned?

Romans 3:23 "All have sinned..."  
Romans 6:23 "The wages of sin is death..."

Our sin separates us from God for all eternity. Sin is like a deep, wide ditch. We are on one side and God is on the other. Because of our sin, we cannot cross over the ditch to God. Sin is choosing our way instead of God's way. We must realize that although our sin may hurt us and others, all sin is against God!

The Bible says, "You (God) are the only one I have sinned against. I have done what you say is wrong. (Psalm 51:4 NCV)



#### Mentor:

Please Explain the illustration and Scriptures above. Then proceed to the next illustration and scriptures. Don't go on until you are sure they understand!



### BUT, God has GOOD NEWS!

Remember John 3:16 (Read from your Bible)

Who is God's only son?

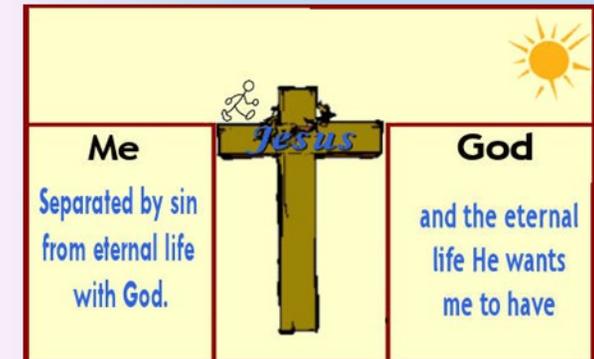
What did He do for us?



Jesus is God who came to earth to die on the cross and rise from the dead for our sins. Jesus is the only way across the wide ditch to God.

"There is one god and only one way human beings can reach God. That way is through Jesus Christ" (1 Tim. 2:5 NCV)

It is not enough to know what to do. We must respond to Jesus by trusting Him to save us.



### How do we go across the bridge to God?

1. Turn around: As sinners, we have control of our lives. We are going in the wrong direction. We must stop and turn toward God. This is called repentance.
2. We Must put our trust in Jesus, this means: Believe Jesus is the Son of God who died on the cross for your sins and rose from the dead. Be willing to give Jesus control of your life.

**God's Word tells us,** "that if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you you'll be saved; for with the heart man believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation".

(Rom. 10:9-10)