

# WHO IS JESUS?



Jesus is God's son. He has always been with God, even before God created the world! When Jesus grew up on the earth, he showed that he was both fully human and fully God. Jesus came to teach us about God's love and how we can be friends with God and live with him forever in heaven. Jesus said that the only way to God is through him. We can learn all about Jesus in the Bible.

## The Life of Jesus

- Jesus was born as a baby to earthly parents named Mary and Joseph. Even as a baby, many people could tell Jesus was special. When he grew up, he traveled around teaching people about how much God loves them. Jesus picked twelve close friends who helped him spread this good news.
- Jesus did amazing miracles that helped people, like making sick people better. He told stories to explain God's messages clearly. He taught that God made each of us with a special purpose. Jesus promised God will always be with us so we can feel safe and loved.
- Jesus also taught that we all sin, which means doing bad things that make God sad. God loves us very much, but he wants us to stop doing sinful things. Our sins create separation between us and God. Jesus came to fix that separation! Jesus offers to forgive all our sins so we can know God. Jesus builds a bridge for us back to God. We just need to believe in what Jesus did for us!
- When Jesus was 33 years old, he died on a cross, and his body was put in a cave with a big stone over the front. But on the third day, he rose from the dead! He returned to life and appeared to his friends before going back to join God in heaven. This shows Jesus has power over sin and death for all who believe in him.

# GOD'S PROMISES

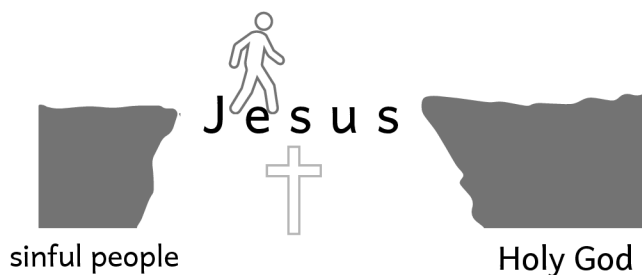
God promises to forgive our sins if we admit we did wrong and tell him we are sorry.

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:9

God also promises that anyone who believes in Jesus will live forever.

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

That means Jesus made a special path so we can be with God. When you confess your sins and put your trust in Jesus, God promises that one day you will live with Him in Heaven forever. He gives us lots of other promises too that you can find in the Bible.



# STEPS TO KNOW GOD

Do you want to be a part of God's family? Here's how....

1. Admit that you have sinned (done wrong things).
2. Ask God to help you turn away from your sins.
3. Believe that Jesus died for you and came back to life.
4. Receive Jesus Christ into your heart through prayer like this one:



Dear God,

I know that I am a sinner and need your forgiveness. I want to turn away from all the wrong things that I have done. I believe that you sent Jesus and that he died for my sins. I ask that Jesus come into my heart and live with me. I trust him as my Savior and Lord. I will follow him with all my heart. In Jesus' name, I pray. Amen.

# NOW WHAT?



If you gave your life to Jesus by praying the prayer on the previous page, welcome to God's family!! The angels in heaven rejoice and so do I! I would love it if you would let me know about your decision. You may email me at: [info@writtenbyhealey.com](mailto:info@writtenbyhealey.com).

Now, you are on a whole new journey! Here are some ways to grow closer to God;

- Tell others about your decision to follow Jesus. Some people may not understand, but others will and will be very happy for you.
- Talk to God through prayer every day. He is always listening and likes it when you talk and spend time with him.
- Read the Bible to keep learning. The Bible will teach you about God, his creation, his promises, Jesus, and the best choices to make in life. If you aren't able to find a Bible, please let me know.
- Go to Church. Church is a place to worship God and Jesus. You will make friends there who love Jesus too. It is like a new family who will be there to help you grow. You can also get baptized there and others will celebrate your decision to follow Jesus.

