EACH ONE OF US HAVE A STORY!



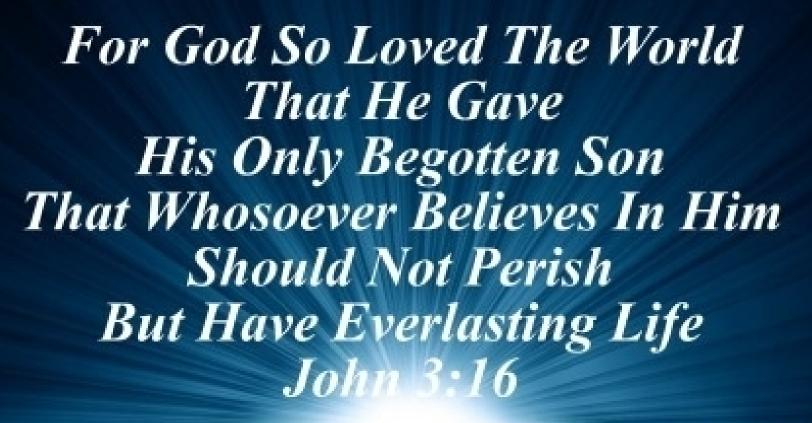
PRESENTED BY QUESTIONS GOD. COM FINDING ANSWERS TO LIFE'S QUESTIONS! GO HERE NO MORE "I'll Do It Tomorrow." NO MORE "Buts ..." NO MORE "I Can't." NO MORE "It's Too Hard." NO MORE "I'm Too Tired." NO MORE "Waiting For It To Get Easier" NO MORE "Putting It Off" NO MORE "I Don't Have Enough Money" NO MORE "I'm Not Good Enough" NO MORE "I Would If I...."

NO MORE EXCUSES

WHAT EXCUSES ARE YOU MAKING FOR NOT KNOWING GOD PERSONALLY?

WHAT KEEPS US FROM KNOWING GOD?









GOD IS LOOKING FOR THE DISCONNECTED & DISCONTENTED

Our Former Condition (Dead)

"You were dead in your trespasses and sins, in which you formerly walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, of the spirit that is now working in the sons of disobedience. Among them we too all formerly lived in the lusts of our flesh, indulging the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, even as the rest" (Ephesians 2:1-3).

We were Dead in our sins:

Walking after the world, Satan, and the flesh

How can we bridge this gulf?

GOD'S RESPONSE

3. JESUS CHRIST

IS GOD'S ONLY PROVISION FOR OUR SIN.
THROUGH HIM ALONE WE CAN
KNOW GOD PERSONALLY
AND EXPERIENCE GOD'S LOVE AND PLAN.

Jesus is God's only provision for man's sin.

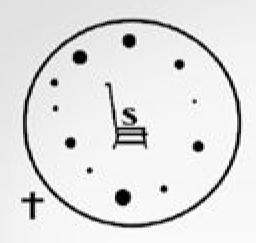
- He died in our place But God proves His own love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us! (Romans 5:8)
- He rose from the dead ...that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴ that He was buried, that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures. (1 Corinthians 15:3-4)
- He is the only way to God Jesus told him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me. (John 14:6)

OUR RESPONSE

WE MUST INDIVIDUALLY RECEIVE JESUS CHRIST AS SAVIOR AND LORD; THEN WE CAN KNOW GOD PERSONALLY AND EXPERIENCE HIS LOVE AND PLAN.

SELF DIRECTED LIFE—CHRIST DIRECTED LIFE

These two circles represent two kinds of lives:



Self-Directed Life

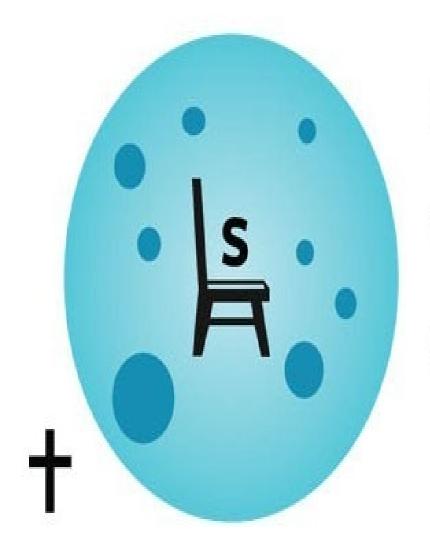
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- Interests are directed by self, often resulting in discord and frustration



Christ-Directed Life

- +-Christ is in the life and on the throne
- S -Self is yielding to Christ, resulting in harmony with God's plan
- Interests are directed by Christ, resulting in harmony with God's plan

Self-Directed Life

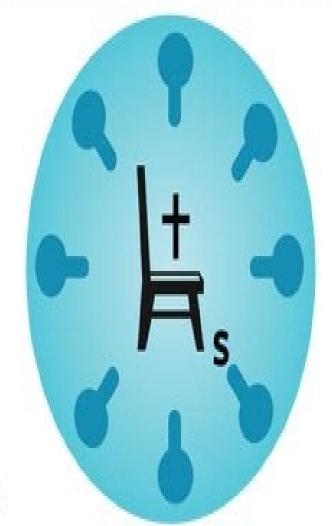


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A LIFE ENTRUSTED TO JESUS CHRIST

Christ-Directed Life

- Love
- Joy
- Peace
- Patience
- Kindness
- Goodness
- Faithfulness



- Life is Christ-centered
- Empowered by Holy Spirit
- Introduces others to Christ
- Has effective prayer life
- Understands God's Word
- Trusts God
- Obeys God

- Which circle best represents your life?
- Which circle would you like to have represent your life?

OUR RESPONSE - DECISION TIME

To receive Christ you need to do 4 things:

- 1) ADMIT your spiritual need. "I am a sinner."
- 2) REPENT and be willing to turn from your sin.
- BELIEVE that Jesus Christ died for you on the cross.
- 4) RECEIVE through prayer, Jesus Christ into your heart and life.

How to receive Christ:

- You can receive Christ right now by faith through prayer!
- God knows your heart and is not so concerned with your words.
- Suggested prayer: Lord Jesus, I need You. Thank You for dying on the cross for my sins. I open the door of my life and receive You as my Savior and Lord. Thank You for forgiving my sins and giving me eternal life. Take control of the throne of my life. Make me the kind of person You want me to be.

The Salvation Prayer

Heavenly Father, I come to You admitting that I am a sinner (Romans 3:23). Right now I choose to turn away from sin, and I ask You to cleanse me, by Your blood, of all unrighteousness. I believe that Your Son, Jesus, died on the cross to take away my sins.

I also believe that He rose again for the dead so that I may be justified and made righteous through faith in Him (Romans 6:23). I call upon the name of Jesus Christ to be the Savior and Lord of my life (Acts 2:21).

I declare right now that I am a born-again child of God (Romans 10:9-10). I am free from sin, and full of the righteousness of God. I am saved in Jesus name. I choose to follow You, and I ask that You fill me with the power of the Holy Spirit (Luke 11:3). In Jesus name, Amen.



YOU MUST MAKE A DELIBERATE CHOICE IN ORDER TO RECEIVE JESUS CHRIST

You can simply talk to God (pray) and express:

- 1. That you are a sinner.
- That the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ is the only solution for your sin.
- 3. That you are placing your trust in Jesus Christ alone.
- Thanksgiving for His forgiveness and the gift of eternal life.

Does this express your desire?

If you sincerely prayed this prayer and asked Jesus to come into your life, you have His assurance of salvation:

"Truly, truly, I say to you, he who hears My word, and believes Him who sent Me, has eternal life, and does not come into judgment, but has passed out of death into life."

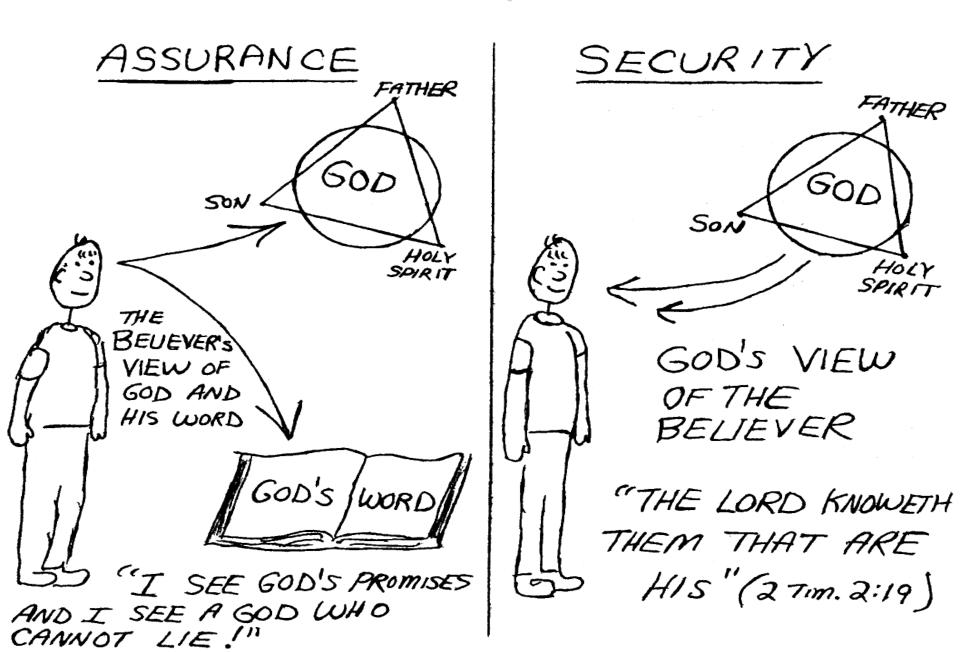
John 5:24



Quit Doubting...Simply Believe!



SIMPLY BELIEVE! / CONFIDENCE



Here's my heart Lord, You are more than enough.



Help me Lord to grow stronger spiritually.

Help me Lord to speak more boldly for You.

Help me Lord to stand strong in my faith.

Help me Lord to be the woman You desire me to be.

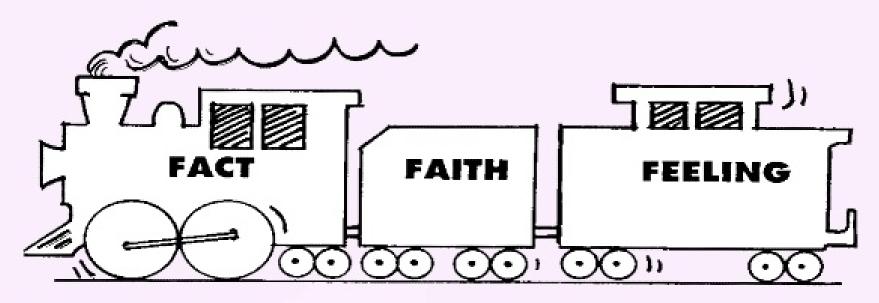
TRUST / FAITH / CONFIDENCE /

WE DON'T LIVE IN OUR REALMOF feelings and emotions, WE LIVE IN GOD'S REALITY CALLED faith.

DOES NOT DEPEND ON HOW YOU FEEL!



FAITH



FACT – GOD and HIS Word FAITH – Trusting God and His Word FEELINGS – The Result of faith and

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The fourth key to unlocking our Great Adventure is being willing to be used by God

Your walk with Jesus Christ depends on what you allow Him to do in & through you.

Heavenly Father, It's time for me to forget the past, forget the mistakes, and focus on what you are doing in my life today. I know you are doing a new thing. You are placing the right people in my life and removing the wrong ones. You are closing old doors and preparing me for new opportunities. The pruning process can be uncomfortable and painful, but I know it's for my good. I trust you. In Jesus' name.

JESUS CHRIST CAME INTO YOUR LIFE...

Revelation 3:20 "Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me."

WHEN YOU
FOLLOW JESUS
LIFE CHANGES
FROM ORDINARY
TO EXTRAORDINARY

My decision

I have decided to become part of God's family by asking Jesus to make my heart new and become Lord of my life. From now on I want to serve God by following His ways and doing what He wants me to do.

Name	• •
Date:	
	Date of the decision (if you know it).



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HOW TO START BUILDING YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

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