



SALVATION GUIDE

NOTE TO PARENTS AND GUARDIANS

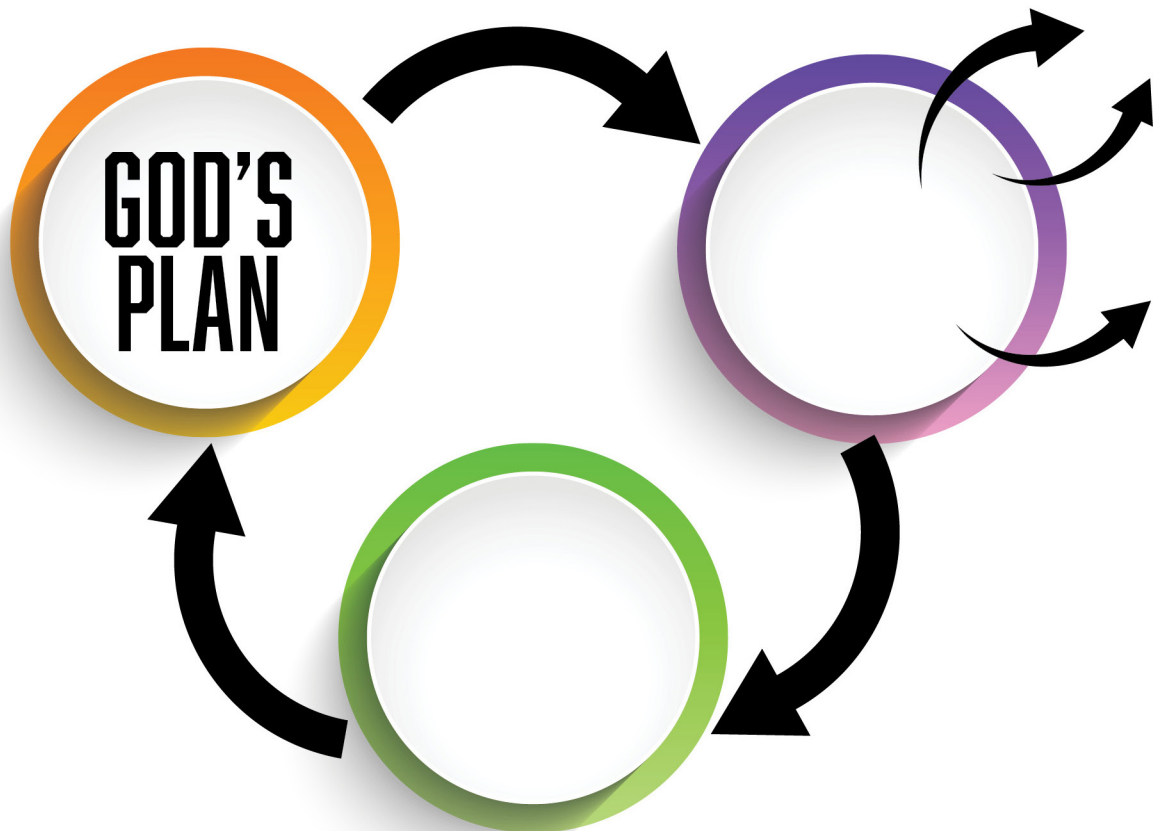
What an exciting time it is when your child expresses interest in following Jesus! It brings feelings of joy and excitement, but it can also make you feel nervous. You might be asking yourself, “How do I do this? What do I say? What if I can’t answer all their questions?” We’ve all been there, and this guide was created for you!

The goal of this guide is to give you (a parent/guardian) a tool to walk your kids step by step through the Gospel in a clear and engaging way. Included here are some typical questions along with corresponding Bible verses to help you lead your family in a discussion of what it means to move forward as a Christ follower. The Bible teaches us that nothing makes God happier than when one of His children decides to follow Him!

So, remember:

- It’s not about being good enough or having all the answers.
- We are not saved by praying a prayer—we are saved by putting our faith in Jesus as our Savior.
- Prayer is simply a way of expressing our trust in Jesus for all He has done on our behalf.

Let’s dive in together!



GOD'S PLAN

The whole Bible tells us that God wants to have a close relationship with you. God would go so far as to send His only son, Jesus, to die for you as the ultimate sacrifice for your sins. His plan not only promises us eternal life in heaven, but it also promises us a fulfilling life here on earth - a life that's a part of the family of God. God adopting you into His family through Jesus has been His plan all along!

In the Bible, we read that God had a perfect design from the very beginning of history. God's design was for us to have a perfect relationship with Him.

LOOK INTO THE BIBLE:

"So he decided long ago to adopt us. He adopted us as his children with all the rights children have. He did it because of what Jesus Christ has done. It pleased God to do it."

Ephesians 1:5 NIV

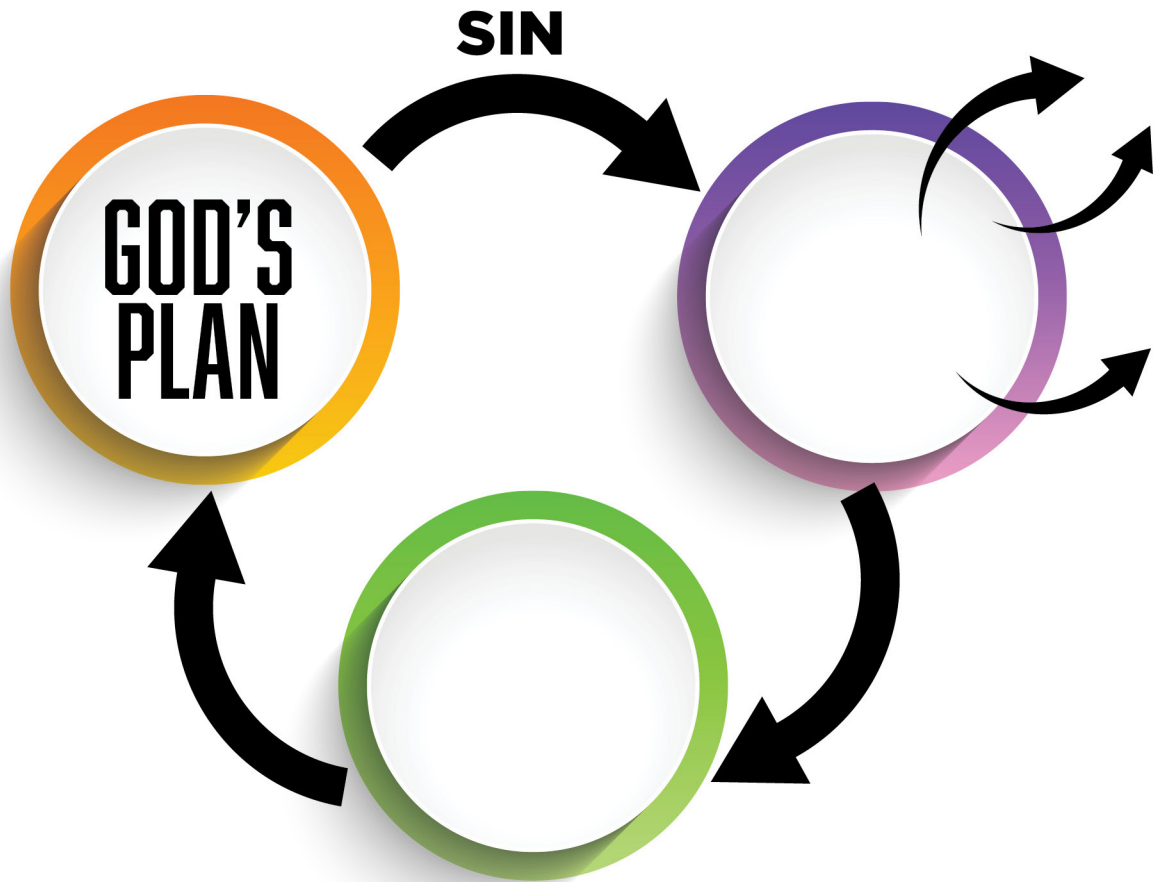
LOOK INTO THE BIBLE:

God created a world...Read Genesis 1:1, 11, 20, 24
God created people...Read Genesis 1:26-31

TALK ABOUT IT:

How do we know that God values people? (1:28)
How does God feel about His creation? (1:31)

In Genesis, we read about God's close relationship with mankind. God desired a close relationship with Adam and Eve then, and He desires to have a close relationship with us now. God loved you before you were even born. He created you in His image, and He loves you right now.



SIN

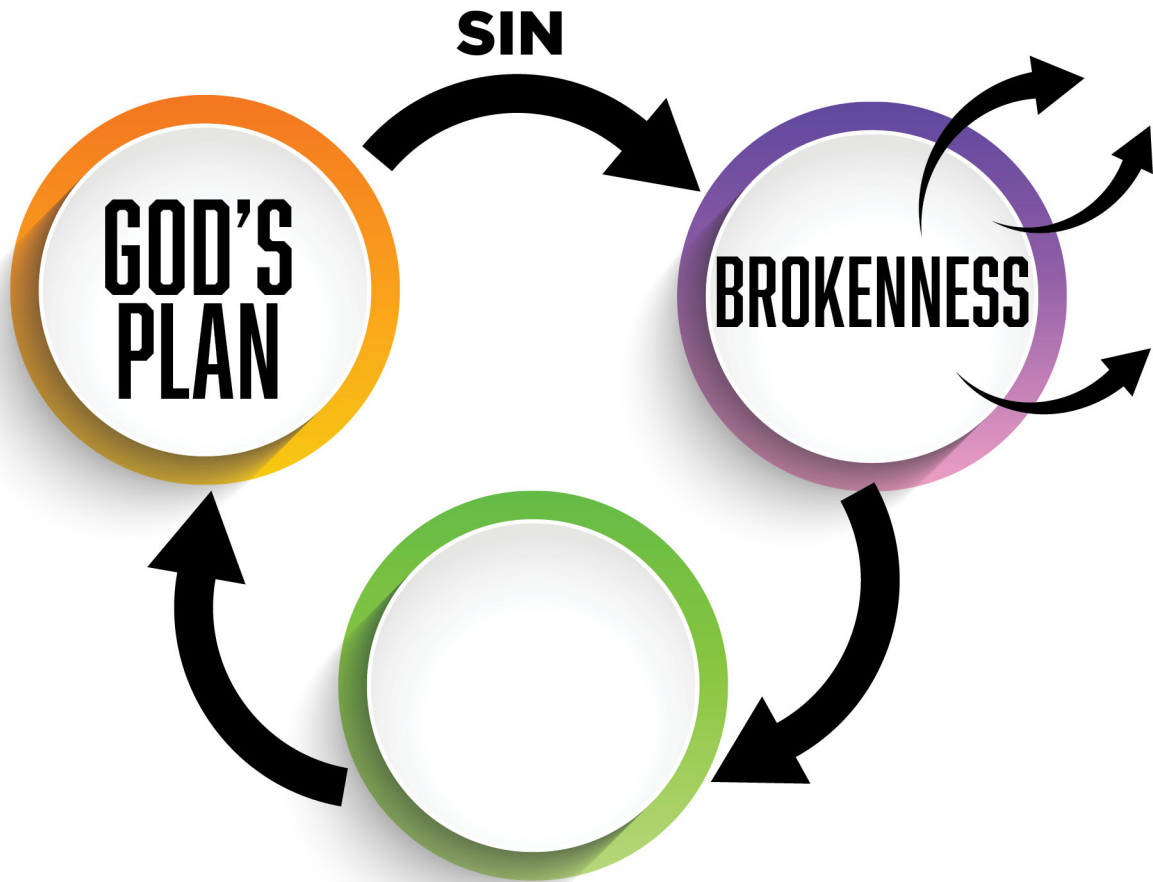
Unfortunately, there is something that separates us from Him, something that keeps us from being with Him forever: it's called sin. It's the stuff we do wrong. Sin keeps us from living out the life that God wants for us.

LOOK INTO THE BIBLE:

Man disobeys God's rules
Read Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-11, 3:23;
Isaiah 59:2

TALK ABOUT IT:

- What was God's only rule in the garden? (2:16-17)
- What did Satan tell Eve would happen to her if she ate the fruit? (3:5)
- How did Adam and Eve act when they heard God approaching? (3:8)
- How was Adam and Eve punished for disobeying God? (3:23)
- What happens when you disobey the rules?



BROKENNESS

Since God is Holy and Perfect, He cannot stand sin. Sin separates us from the relationship God intended to have with us. When we choose sin over obeying God, it leads us to a place of brokenness. Some things we might choose instead of God are lying, hurting other people’s feelings on purpose, doing things for the wrong reasons.

TALK ABOUT IT:

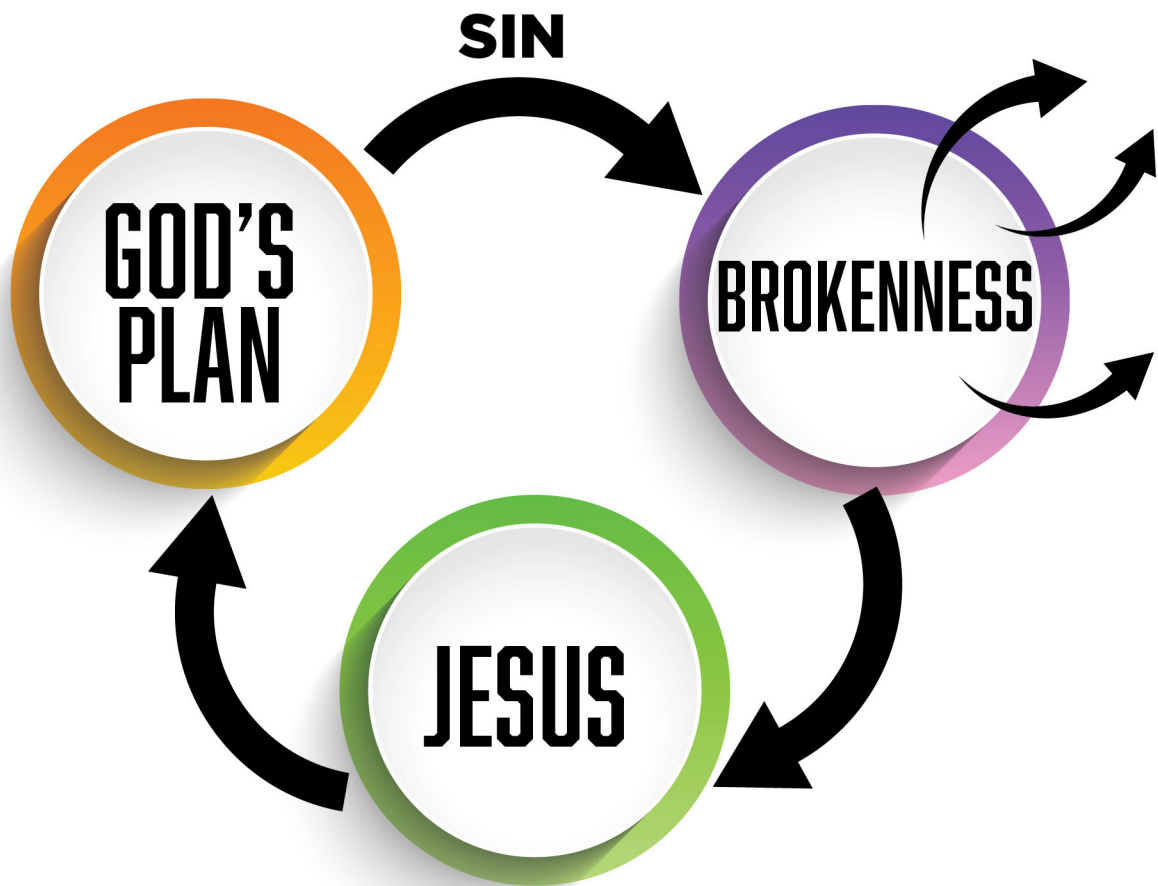
- What is sin?
- Have you ever sinned? When?
- What are some things in your life that you choose instead of obeying God?
(Add those things to the arrows moving away from Brokenness in the picture above)
- What is the problem with your sin?

On our own, we can’t do anything about this. We need God to step in and help. But because God loves us, He made a way for all of us to live with Him forever.

LOOK INTO THE BIBLE:

“When you sin, the pay you get is death. But God gives you the gift of eternal life. That’s because of what Christ Jesus our Lord has done.”

Romans 6:23 NIV



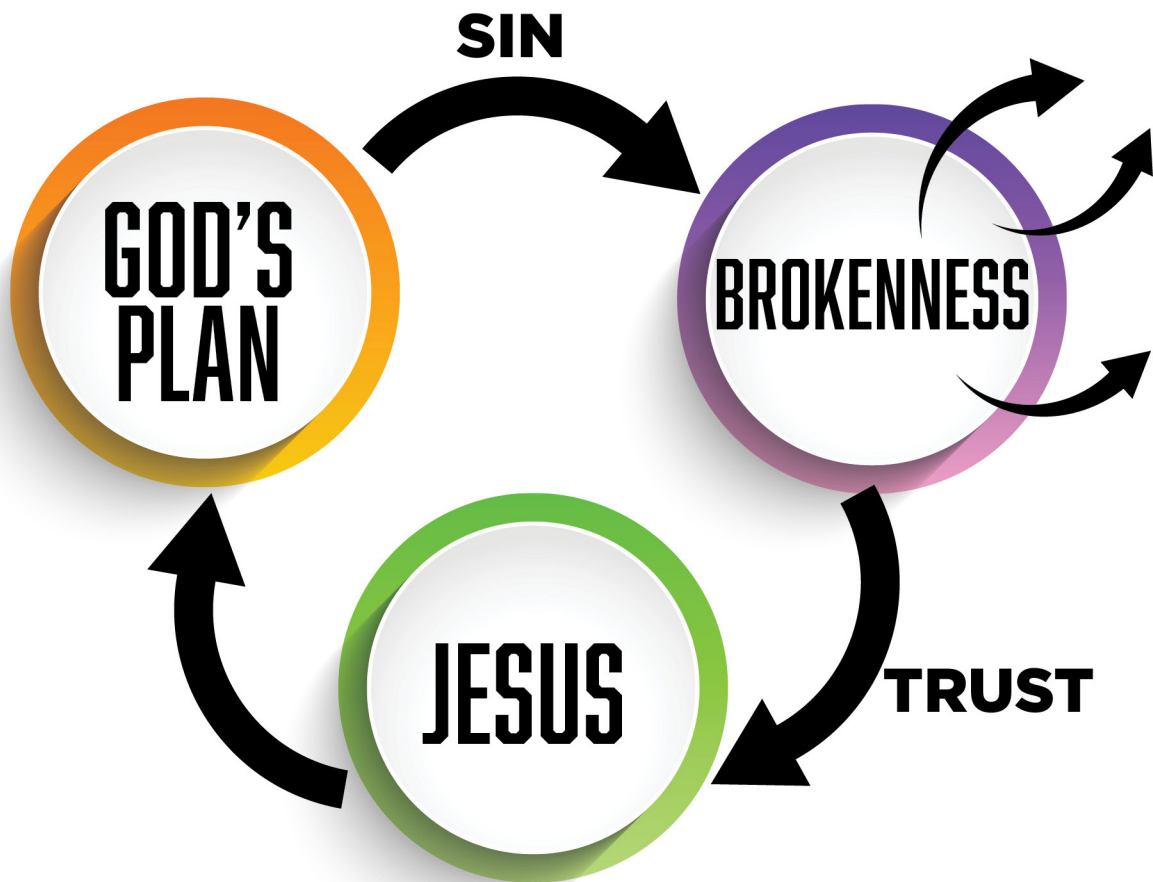
JESUS

God gave the most important, valuable, and perfect thing He had for us. He knew that our sin would keep us from living with Him forever. We were apart from God and would stay that way, but because God loved us, He gave His son to fix that relationship. Jesus came to make a way for us to be in God's story.

Jesus is the answer to our brokenness and our sin problem. Jesus gave up His life on the cross to pay for our sin. Three days later, Jesus rose from the dead! His resurrection defeated death and makes a relationship with God possible again.

TALK ABOUT IT:

- What did God give us?
- Why did God give this gift?
- What did Jesus do for us?



TURN & TRUST

When you receive a gift, what do you do? You open it. God said you could open His gift through TRUST. Trust simply means to believe.

When we TURN from our brokenness and TRUST in Jesus as the forgiver of our sins and the leader of our lives, we experience freedom in the salvation that He offers. This gift of salvation that God offers us is called GRACE. Grace cannot be earned. It can only be received. When you trust Jesus as your Lord and Savior, you become a part of God's family and receive eternal life.

LOOK INTO THE BIBLE:

*"God's grace has saved you because of your faith in Christ. Your salvation doesn't come from anything you do. It is God's gift."
Ephesians 2:8 NIV*

It's a lot like sitting in a chair. When you sit in a chair, you put all your weight on it. You trust that it will hold you up.

That's what it's like to believe in or to trust in this gift. To open the gift that God gave you, you trust in Jesus with your whole life and rest in the fact that He died and rose again for you.

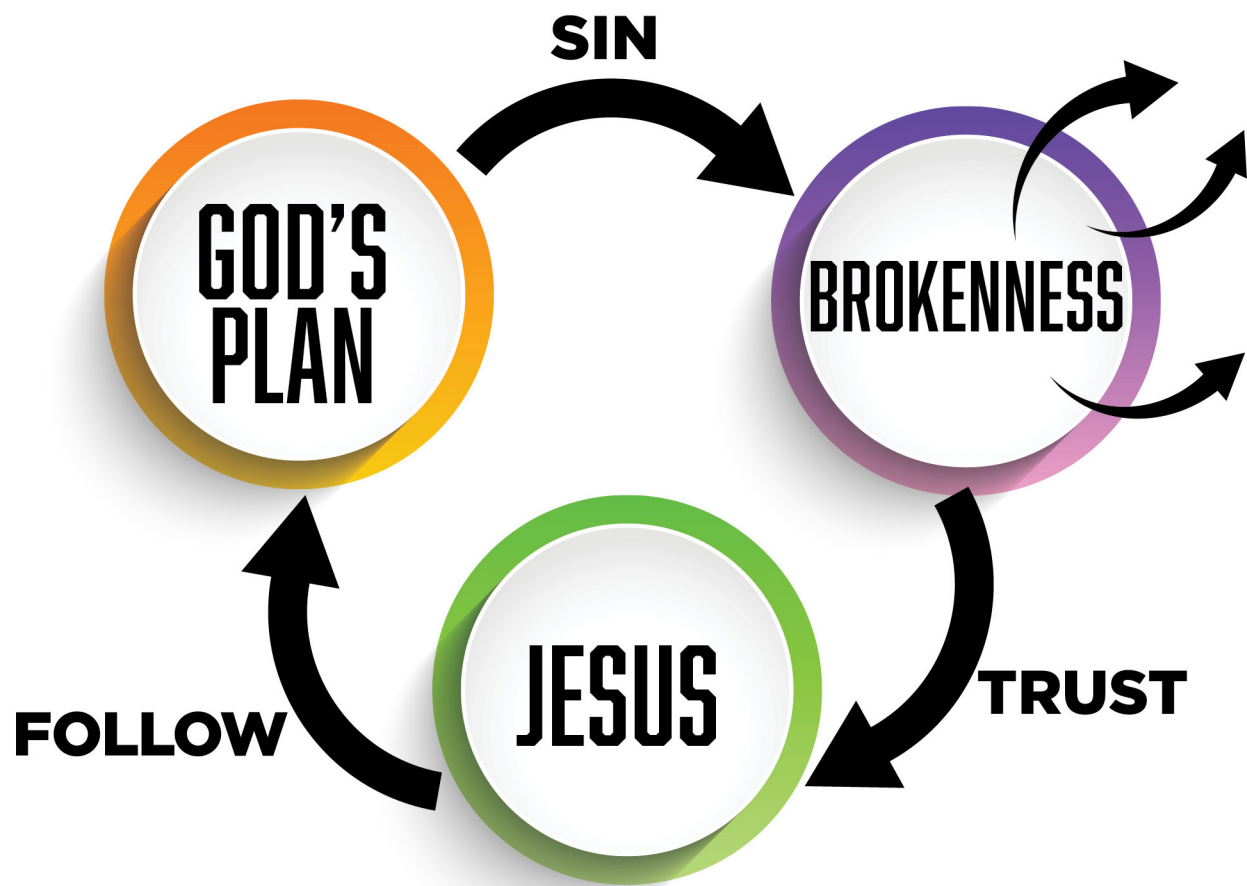
TALK ABOUT IT:

- What does it mean to trust in something?
- How do you know God loves you?

LOOK INTO THE BIBLE:

*"God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son. Anyone who believes in him will not die but will have eternal life."
John 3:16 NIV*

When you believe in Jesus and trust Him to save you, you begin a new relationship with God that starts right away and goes on forever. Someday we will still die, but we get to spend forever with God in a place that He made perfect.



FOLLOW

After you've put your trust and faith in Jesus as the leader of your life and the forgiver of your sins, God is asking you to follow Him daily.

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When we choose to follow Jesus, God transforms us into a new person. We move from sinful and broken back into God's Design for our lives.

Being a Christ follower isn't about trying to be perfect. It's about following Jesus. There will be days ahead where you mess up or find yourself in a situation you know you shouldn't be in. When we find ourselves in those moments, it's important to know that God hasn't given up on us—all we must do is turn from our sin, trust in Jesus, and continue to follow him.

EXAMPLES OF FOLLOWING JESUS:

- Read your Bible every day
- Pray to God each day
- Worship God in church regularly
- Tell others about Jesus
- Serve others

TALK ABOUT IT:

If you haven't already but want to place your faith and trust in Jesus Christ, you can do that right now! Wherever you are, you can use the Bible verses or the prayer below to tell God you have decided to put your trust in Jesus as the forgiver of your sins and the leader of your life.

LOOK INTO THE BIBLE:

“Say with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord.”

Believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead. Then you will be saved.”

Romans 10:9 NIV

“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 NIV

PRAY

Dear Heavenly Father, I know I am a sinner. I know my sin should separate me from You forever. I believe Your son, Jesus, died for my sins. I accept Your forgiveness for my sin. Thank You for loving me and for giving the gift of Jesus so I could live with You in heaven. Come into my life and be my Savior and Friend. In Jesus' name, Amen.



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WHAT NOW?

We believe that baptism is an important next step for you. Baptism is your way of telling your friends and family, “Hey, I’m a follower of Jesus!”

Baptism is a symbol of being washed clean and having your sins forgiven through Jesus’ death on the cross. This is illustrated by going under the water (Dead to old life, Romans 6:4a) then rising again (New life, Romans 6:4b).

If you believe in Jesus and trust that He died on the cross to save you from your sin, then your next step is to be baptized! Go online or visit the Mosaic app to complete the Baptism Form so that we can celebrate your decision to follow Jesus!

QUESTIONS?

Do you still have questions about becoming part of God’s family? If you would like more information about Mosaic Church, please let us know. We’ll be happy to assist you by answering any questions you may have.

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