

The Bible, God's Word, tells us that God our Creator has a plan for your life.

His plan includes having Jesus as your personal Savior. The question is, will you accept or reject His plan for your life? The Bible says God does not want anyone to perish in Hell.

"The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some men count slowness, but is patient toward you, NOT WISHING FOR ANY TO PERISH but for all to come to repentance." 2 Peter 3:9

However, the Bible also tells us that those who sin will perish in Hell.

"But for the cowardly and unbelieving and abominable and murderers and immoral persons and sorcerers and idolaters and all liars, their part will be in the lake that burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death." "And the devil who deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are also; and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever." Revelation 21:8, 20:10

You may ask, who are these sinners? The Bible says that **all** of us are sinners.

"For ALL have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." Romans 3:23

Since our sin dooms us to Hell, God, who does not want us to perish in Hell, has provided a way to escape this horrible end.

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever BELIEVES in Him should not perish, but have eternal life." John 3:16

You may be wondering, how do I become a BELIEVER? The Bible gives us clear answers to that question.

1. **CONFESS** that you are a sinner.

"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." 1 John 1:9

2. **REPENT** of your sins. Repentance means to truly be sorry for your sin and to TURN AWAY from them. If you're unwilling to do this you cannot be saved.

Jesus said; **"..unless you repent you will all likewise perish." Luke 13:3**

3. **ASK** Jesus to forgive your sins and enter your life as your Savior.

"For whoever will call upon the name of the Lord will be saved." Romans 10:13

If you follow this plan that God gives in His Word, and TRUST JESUS to forgive you, then you will become one of the BELIEVERS and you will have eternal life.

"But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who BELIEVE on His name." John 1:12

If you REJECT this plan you will be without hope.

"How shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation?" Hebrews 2:3

"For there is salvation in no one else..." Acts 4:12

Following is an example prayer you can pray to ACCEPT this free gift of salvation that God offers through faith in His Son Jesus Christ.

Dear Jesus,

I know that I am a sinner. I know that I have sinned against God. I'm sorry for the things I have done that have been displeasing to You. Please forgive me for my sin and enter my life today, and help me to live for You according to Your will. Thank you, Jesus, for answering my prayer and saving me this day. Amen.

When you ask Jesus to enter your life, He does. This is done by sending His Holy Spirit to dwell within you. The Spirit will give you the power to live your life for Jesus.

Begin reading your Bible. You may want to start with the books of John and Ephesians. These books help you understand who Jesus is and how to live your life for Him.

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