

RECEIVING ETERNAL LIFE

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

Here's how to begin an eternal relationship with Christ...

- 1. **Heaven or salvation is a free gift**, it is God's Grace and it cannot be earned of deserved.
 - Romans 6:23 For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Ephesians 2:8-9)
- 2. **Because man broke the Commandments of God**, mankind is condemned and cannot save himself.
 - Romans 3:23 ...for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ... (Matthew 5:17-19)
- 3. God is Merciful but Just, and must punish sin.
 - Exodus 34:6-7; 1 John 4:10
- 4. **Because God so loved mankind, He sent His Son, Jesus Christ**, to pay for the penalty of our sin through death on the cross.
 - Numbers 21:8; Isaiah 53:4-8; John 3:14-15
- 5. It requires little faith.
 - Romans 10:9-10; Hebrews 11:1, 6; Acts 16:31
- 6. When you receive Christ...
 - Your sins were forgiven and you received Eternal Life.
 - You became a child of God and you began the journey for which God created you.
- 7. Assurance of salvation...
 - 1 John 5:13 I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life.
 - John 1:12 ... to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God...
 - 2 Corinthians 5:17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!
 - Hebrews 13:5 Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you...

A sample prayer...

Dear Jesus, I know that I'm a sinner and I need Your forgiveness for going my own way. I believe that you shed Your blood and died on the cross for me and I believe that you rose from the grave victorious over death! I invite You to come into my life as my personal Savior. Take away my sin and be the Lord of my life. Fill me with your Holy Spirit so that I can serve you with my whole heart! Thank You for giving me eternal life! Amen

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