

## WE MUST START WITH GOD

God IS, and He is real, true, holy, righteous, and just. The almighty creator of the universe. He created mankind (human beings) by the deep intellect of his genius to have a relationship with Him because He loves us.

**"In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth."** Genesis 1:1

**"Unto thee it was shewed, that thou mightest know that the LORD he is God; there is none else beside him."** Deuteronomy 4:35

## WHAT IS SIN?

Sin is missing the mark God set for human beings. A failure to obey and a corruption of the soul. That which we were not to do, we did.

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## HOW DID WE GET LIKE THIS?

When God created the first man (Adam), giving him commands to obey, Adam disobeyed and sinned (Genesis 3:6,7), and as a result from then on all mankind was separated from God and in sin (Romans 5:12).

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**And also, "Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned"** (Romans 5:12)

**And again, "If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us."** (1 John 1:8)

## WHO IS JESUS?

Jesus is God the Son come down to us from the Father to save mankind from sin. He is the savior of our souls come to rescue us from sin and hell, and bring us back to God.

**"But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."** (Romans 5:8)

**“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.”**  
(John 3:16)

**“For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.”** (Romans 6:23)

## **WHAT IS THE GOSPEL?**

The gospel means "good news" and it is this, that God sent Jesus to come into the world to save us from sin and hell and bring us back in right relationship with God. You must simply believe in your heart and mind that Jesus Christ is real, lived on earth, died, was crucified, buried, and rose from the grave as payment for your sin.

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**“And we are witnesses of all things which he did both in the land of the Jews, and in Jerusalem; whom they slew and hanged on a tree: Him God raised up the third day, and shewed him openly;”** (Acts 10:39-40)

**“For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: [it is] the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.”** (Ephesians 2:8,9)

## **HOW DO WE BECOME SAVED?**

You must come to realize and admit you are separated from God and in sin. No one is good enough to be saved on their own merit. No matter how much good we do, we all still fall short of God's requirements. Why? Because you have sin and are in sin and it separates you from God and from obtaining salvation which is eternal life. You must realize the penalty for your sin.

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**"And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire."** (Revelation 20:14-15)

Salvation is simply believing in Jesus Christ and putting your faith (fully believing with your whole heart and mind) that Jesus Christ paid for your sins.

**"In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began"** (Titus 1:2)

**"Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ."** (Romans 5:1)

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**"The LORD is nigh unto all them that call upon him, to all that call upon him in truth."** (Psalm 145:18)

**"That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation."** (Romans 10:9-10)