

**Are You Sure ?**  
You Can Know For Sure!



*“I knew you before I formed you in your mother’s womb...”  
“Yes, I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore with loving-kindness **have I drawn you.**” (Jeremiah 1:5, 31:3)*

## **Introduction**

You shall know the Truth and the Truth shall set you free. We need to stand free and to know what true freedom is. Life is full of many choices and there is a sure path (Jeremiah 6:16) we can take. We all have to make decisions in various areas of life on a daily basis. Unfortunately there are those things in this life that “appear as one thing” when they are actually something totally different. The truth about something can determine whether we make the right choices in this life. Truth is not something that is relative to just one situation and then changes to fit another situation. Truth is constant, never changing. Having a working knowledge of what Truth really is and how to walk in the Truth will help you to make the right decisions in your life.

As you go through this life you will need to recognize the Truth in order to see clearly so you understand what is truly happening and why. In turn this will help us to understand and reason clearly. We need to be sure of the path (course) we are on and realize that there is only one way meant for us.

## **Are the Decisions we Make that Important?**

Absolutely, the course you’re on, the decisions you select will lead you somewhere eventually. There used to be a saying that all roads (paths) lead to Rome. This is not true! All roads do not lead to Rome. Some roads are dead ends. Other roads or paths in this life *seem to be* right but end up a waste of time. Some roads in this life lead people down paths (Jeremiah 18:15) they may wish they had never taken (regret, sorrow, even death). The stark reality is that we go through “this” life only once. **That is a vital statement.** We all want the best for our lives and others. Most people go through

life trying to stay up with *their perception of “life”* and trying to get it right along with the flow (ways) of humanity and its challenges. Sometimes our decisions can tend to weigh us down even when they are not all that serious. That is not to say that some aren't !

### **The Right Plan (Course) for Your Life and How to Find It, Get to It, and Live in It**

Like a car going down the road, we don't want to end up in a ditch or as they say with boats, shipwrecked! That is what this message is about, finding and staying “in” that sure path for your life. Wouldn't it be sad to be thinking that things are really going well and believing things are okay when actually you could be headed straight for trouble?

### **From Here to There**

It is important to **start out** on the right path. Then it is important to **stay on** the right path. Finally it is important to end up at **the correct and final destination point**. (2 Tim 4:7) If you start in a straight line and your destination is a few miles up ahead and you get off just *one degree* then you will end up quite a ways from your intended destination and most likely not finish the course.

### **How I came into the Right Path and How I “Know” It!**

You might say at this point, “How do you know this?” A change so pervasive and strong came into my life when I was about five and a half years old. I experienced something so life enriching and powerful that I have to share and help others know that Truth. Ever since then, I have walked in the Truth, experienced Truth and found out that Truth is a Person. He is very real! He desires us to have *a loving, and caring relationship with Him*. Truth has a Name, His Name is Jesus. It is in a relationship with God's Son, Jesus Christ, that we experience and learn about Him. He is committed in His love and faithfulness toward us. Literally and

figuratively speaking, it is God Who places and keeps our feet on His path in life. He is the One Who designed and created your life, He knows all of the situations and circumstances you will ever encounter. He has a plan on how to deal with each situation or circumstance that arises. He is in control of His creation. When you hook up with Him, then you are on the correct path! (Psalms 119:35, 119:105, and Proverbs 2:9) He desires to bless you, enrich you, causing you to prosper in all areas of the life He has designed for you. He desires to help you, and encourage you. Those that find Him and enter in with Him will never be sorry.

### **Awakening to Truth (God is the Truth)**

There is only one True Truth. Even God's Word to us declares that God is Light and in Him is no darkness (deception or lies). When a person has the Truth opened up to them; then they can say the Truth has been revealed. True revelation can only come through *those who have a relationship with God through Jesus Christ*. The Truth will not only reveal new aspects about God but He will also open up new insights, wisdom, and revelations about life, self, and others around you and the way you perceive. Things will change because the touch of the Creator changes all who choose Him. This will happen because you are being transformed into His likeness.

### **Why does this Occur?**

We were originally made in His likeness, and in the likeness of His Precious Son, Jesus the Christ. We are of His design and He knows what is best for each of us. Notice I said He knows what is best for each of us. Usually we think we know what is best for us (this is called **pride**). When we think that way then we get in trouble! That is why the human race is so far away in their relationship with God, instead of knowing God, they are seeking "paths to enlightenment" but leaving God their Creator out of their thinking (their life), being blind themselves but think they truly see. They are those who continue stumbling down a mental path of self

deception. We think we “have to” do things our way because we think we know best. In all actuality we simply need to come to God for all our needs. We need God *all the time!* It is God’s persistent love for us and mercy that helps us endure the hardships of this life.

The help or revelation God gives us is to see and understand what is also missing in our lives or where we fall short. We are then able to realize “*the condition that our condition is in!*” This revelation from our Heavenly Father is not given to us to condemn us or beat us but as a loving Father He helps us see our need, where we fall short and need His help, which without, we would never be able to make it! Our true need is to come to Him and embrace Him and all He has for us, Him and Life Eternal through His Son Jesus Christ. Our Heavenly Father dearly loves us! Yes, He loves and cares for you! Even when we were in darkness (ignorance) and opposed to Him, He loved us and gave His life for us! *That my friend is True Love!*

### **We Are Not So Perfect After All**

Revelation will always affect our realization. Most people perceive everything going on in their life as good, good enough, close enough, near perfect, or perfect. Either way it is common for most people to settle for what seems to work well or is comfortable. Being comfortable or being at ease can be a major deception. Falling short of a mature or complete outcome by thinking you are “close enough to what it should be” is essentially saying “Well that’s good enough for me” or “that’s the way it should be.” Our perception about the way life is going can be a lie that we readily accept. For example, “Everything seems to be flowing smoothly so why upset things by changing it now!” Most people think that if life is going good it has to be a “God thing!” Wrong!

## **How An Enemy of Our Soul Is Allowed to Creep In**

Many people believe there is a God and for them that is “good enough.” No, it is not enough! To just believe there is a God does not insure anything except that God “is” or “was” in their thinking somewhere, somehow, at sometime and I will deal with Him later when I have the time, things are okay, “I’m okay”, or “I am too busy for this stuff now.”

Friend, I have lived long enough to see people make that mistake. Things can so easily drive you away from God and His Truth: distractions, accidents, weddings, and even a death of a loved one. ***You don’t know the day, the hour, minute or second your life can be taken from you!*** The Truth is that God’s Word tells us that there is more to just believing that God “is”. *God tells us in His Word*, “Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe, and tremble.” (James 2:19) When all is said and done, these devils, or fallen angels, deceiving and lying spirits sent out to deceive mankind by God’s enemy satan, ***are not*** going to be in Heaven with God, they will be in a place set aside for them by God and this is not a good place to be!

## **The Spiritual Realm is Real**

The spiritual realm is a real unseen existence, alive and active. There is a war going on of satan, and his demonic spirits (evil), against God, and His angels, and praying saints (good). This war is for the possession of your soul (mind, will, and emotions) and dominate the unredeemed spirit of that person. ***nsurreive y be!***

Lie #2 There is no God or Devil.

Lie #3 There is no Heaven or Hell.

Lie #4 The Bible was just a book written by men.

Lie #5 Religion was thought up by a man or men to control the masses.

Lie #6 Man evolved.

Lie #7 I believe some of the Bible is true and I don't take it so literal; I am okay.

Lie #8 I can get to Heaven on my own good behavior or merit.

Lie #9 I am good and I will be good and help others. (This is called "works.")

Lie #10 I believe in God but I don't think I need to ask Jesus into my heart, because there are many ways to Him.

Lie #11 I believe there is a God. I believe in God. This "cross" or "Jesus" thing is not for me.

Lie #12 I believe in God, and His Son and what Jesus did. I am good, and that is good enough!

Lie #13 I believe Jesus was just a Prophet sent by God.

Lie #14 How can Jesus' Blood save anyone? ...that's a bloody religion. Do you expect me to teach my children that?

... it's God's fault, what kind of God would..., and the list goes on!

The devil gives people excuses and reasons to believe God does not exist or that He is afar off. The devil is also trying to persuade people into thinking they don't need God or that He is a weak God.

The devil, Lucifer, is a created being, a fallen Cherub (angel), who became twisted on the inside. "How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! How art thou cut down to the ground, which weakened the nations!" (Isaiah 14:12) The only power the devil has is the power you give him over yourself by believing his lies. These lies are like a trap, or a snare that take people captive. The devil, the enemy of God, and his evil followers on this planet are always trying to draw you and me away from our Heavenly Father, a relationship with Him, and His plan for our lives. Most people don't even realize when they are deceived or ensnared, that is how slick (devious) the devil is. The most dangerous thing I see in people that allows this deception to occur is pride. ***Pride is blindness to God and the reality that we need Him!*** Pride tells us that we can do things without God's help or intervention. **That is dangerous.** Through pride we become blinded, set in our minds and hearts to go another way (stiff necked), with a bad attitude (hard-hearted) and rebellious (against or opposing God). When blinded like that we can believe a lie or think we are okay even when we are not. **God is the turning point**, the turning around place, is in Him! We need God's help! We need God!

### **The KEY**

*As for me and you, the key is to know and have a relationship with our Heavenly Father. **This is not an option**, nor an opinion, but Truth (which is greater than a fact)! Experienced Truth!!!* We must realize that God is real and He has thoughts, feelings, power, and is pure love. God is pure in thought, intent, and motive! He is for us! He is telling you "I truly love you, come to me." God loves us and knows best for us. Anything else is a lie rejecting Him.

## **The Truth, the Whole Truth and Nothing but the Truth!**

You can not just have a part of God's Word or Truth. We must have the entire Truth. *Just to believe that God is, is not enough!* God's Word to us states, "**As you believe in your heart AND confess with your mouth that Jesus Christ is Lord, then you are saved.**"

To be "saved" means that a conversion or *a God-produced change* takes place in a person due to Jesus Christ being received into your heart. I truly believe that there is a higher percentage of church members who believe that they are truly saved yet lack a true conversion.

*This is extremely important!*

*When you receive Jesus Christ into your heart, His character, and the power of God, will bring change into your life! Sometimes it is experienced and seen quickly and at other times it is not as evident.*

**Conversion** - *a state of change taking place in our heart or spirit-man, through the Spirit of God, in which we born in this world, separated from God due to sin, becoming awakened or "made alive" to God through the intervention of His Holy Spirit in our lives, moving us to repentance, that is, we turn from our old sinful nature and turn to God. The Holy Spirit helps us to see our need to receive Jesus Christ as Savior who takes away our sins and Lord to help us live a life right before and unto God. The Holy Spirit helps us at this point, by an act of faith (believing and trusting God) on our part, to ask Jesus Christ into our heart (inner man), therefore giving our lives to and receiving Jesus Christ as our Savior and Lord.*

After receiving Jesus Christ into your heart a "desiring" to remain in that relationship with Him will come alive or exist in you.

Therefore you will “know” He lives in you! So please take your time reading this booklet.

You say that you believe? Then you are in a wonderful position or place! Rejoice in that, but do not stop reading. Let God’s TRUTH confirm that to you as you read.

**Who You Are and How a Person can be Separated From God and Not Realize it!**

You are a spirit being in a body

*away from Him, acknowledge we need Him, and ask His Son Jesus Christ into our heart, which will allow that connection in our lives, then we will start to shine with God's Life and Light!*

“The **spirit of man** is the candle of the Lord, searching all the inward parts of the belly.” (Proverbs 20:27). What do candles do? Like light bulbs, they are meant to bring light to the room they are in. Light, in this case, brings revelation of what is in the room and understanding can then take place. Just like a light being turned on in a darkened place, you will then see and understand exactly what is before you concerning God and this world. Ignorance (darkness) flees when God's Light comes in.

### **Let's Take it From the Top!**

Here is the problem. When we are born, we are born in our human nature separated from God and the Truth of God, due to a spiritual fall or separation of Adam, the first man, from God; therefore our minds from one generation to the next, are corrupt, shaped by sinful (separating from God) tendencies. There is a veil of this sinful blindness or darkness that keeps us from seeing and understanding the Truth. Darkness can mask Truth out if we don't know Truth. We therefore can not perceive the Truth on our own. When we belong to God through Jesus Christ, *the Spirit of God helps to order and direct our thoughts. However, on our own, with misguided minds (with wrong or bad perceptions), we think we are okay.* We think we can do anything right, apart from God, but in all actuality, we are deceived. We must have God, (like a light in a dark room) in us to even begin to understand how far off base we are or how bad we have missed what is really going on. God is not coming to us to condemn us but to reveal Himself and invite us to share with Him in His most wonderful Life and Light. Without the Truth and Light of God we will not understand why the world – those people fallen or separated from God, act and do the things they do. If you listen to what people say you can clearly hear their

words justifying their actions and giving a clear broadcast of the darkened heart and mind they live in. God didn't make us robots. Instead, God gave us a choice, and it is up to each one of us to walk with Him or apart from Him. Thank God He didn't leave us, nor forsake us in that condition, but has provided **a way back** to our Heavenly Father through His Son Jesus Christ. *Jesus said, "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life: no man cometh unto the Father, but my Me."* (John 14:6)

### **God Made A Way!**

Jesus is the Way back to our Heavenly Father. The Word of God clearly states that our life is hid in Him. So if you want to find your purpose and fulfillment in this life, you can only find it in a relationship with our Heavenly Father through Jesus Christ. In God's eyes, **everybody has value and worth**. We must realize that we are God's creation and He loves us. He has also given us great potential, a purpose, and has a plan for our lives. Even if you were conceived outside of marriage; you are **not an accident!** *The Lord tells us through His Word, "I knew you before I formed you in your mother's womb..."*, Jeremiah 1:5. "Yes, I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore with loving-kindness have I drawn you..." (Jeremiah 31:3).

*The first step in finding His purpose and plan for your life is to go to Him!*

***The way to God is through His Son, Jesus Christ. "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)

***It is that simple!*** For many people that is too simple. Most people "feel" they are not worthy and therefore do not want to go to God or cry out to Him. Others are blinded by pride and don't even

realize it (self-sufficient not wanting to acknowledge a need for help). That is the fallen nature of mankind lying to you. ***The truth is that you are God's precious creation and He longs for you to come to Him!***

Other people feel or reason that they have to work to *earn* entrance into Heaven or some way “qualify” to get on “God’s good side” so He will allow them into Heaven. **That is not God’s way and it will fail!**

God tells us very clearly that He loves us. He then tells us that ***all*** have sinned and fallen short of His glory. Yes, even at one point in time, I, the person writing this booklet, was lost in sin, separated from God, but yet while Jesus was on the cross **He counted it (you and me) as joy set before Him to die** on that cross, for my sin and yours, which separated us from Him (Jesus) and God the Father.

Jesus has made the Way (Path) back to God the Father. ***For this very reason God so loved you that He sent His only Son Jesus Christ as the perfect (substitute) sin offering to die on the cross for you and me.***

...“I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by Me.” (John 14:6)

***Only Jesus’ life sacrificed and His Blood could make atonement (pay in full) for our sins before our Heavenly Father! This was the only acceptable sacrifice acceptable to God the Father for our sins. This selfless act of love on God’s part, through His Son, made a Way for us back to Him so we could once again enter into a relationship with Him. He so longingly desires for us to be with Him!***

Jesus Christ made it possible for you and me to become accepted back into a place of fellowship with God, our Heavenly Father. ***Our part is to accept this gift of His love.*** Jesus paid the only acceptable price for our sins, so that we would no longer be separated by those sins from our Heavenly Father. It is now up to us individually to receive that ***gift.*** (Romans 5:18)

God did not plan to have you come on this earth just to watch you grow old and die. God cares about you! You are His creation! He desires a relationship with you here and now. ***Yes. I said a relationship! Yes, it is possible; I speak from that relationship even now, because that is where I live, move and have my being, which is in that relationship with Him!***

*“Looking unto Jesus the Author and Finisher of our faith; Who for the joy that was set before Him [that is you and me] endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.”* (Hebrews 12:2)

### **The Feeling of Unworthiness in His Presence**

Sometimes we realize God’s awesomeness and we “feel” unworthy to be in His Presence or to go to Him, due to His true love and character. The truth is that when we become His dear children through Jesus Christ, we are made worthy and restored to Him. God desires us to do more than just ask Jesus Christ into our heart and become converted. We are to continue in an ongoing relationship with Him. Even in maintaining our relationship with Him, He knows that we need His help and He is faithful to us to supply it! **This is not a come to Him “one time” deal!** He desires for us to grow closer to Him, getting to know Him through an ongoing and continuous basis. As we mature and grow in Him many things in our lives will be seen for what they truly are, but remember, God already knew that those things were in your life before you chose to give your life to Him. Our Heavenly Father

wants to reveal things to us so that we can see the lies that we have been told and believe. He wants us to be set free in areas of our lives where we are deceived (believe a lie and thinking we are okay). In other words, we come to Him and exchange whatever the darkness is, for the Truth and receive a fresh new way of thinking and living causing you and me to be changed, therefore coming closer to Him. He has taken the first step! It is now up to us to respond by taking the next step by accept this gift of Eternal Life through Jesus Christ.

### **Is Hell real?**

Yes! Most people do not take God seriously enough at His Word and that is sad. I was walking along one day and God quickly brought back into my mind an incident of a man who had driven his car to a wooded area. The man got out of his car, went up into the woods, and using a gun, killed himself. The man had a history of drugs and work-related problems. I was walking along the street where I lived one day, and I asked the Lord, “Is the man in Hell, Lord?” The Lord clearly and recognizably said, “Yes”. At that moment, I was looking down toward the sidewalk and God gave me a vision of a dark hole. I saw this man stretching upward, trying to reach up and get out of this pit. Pain soared up out of this opening from him. This man was in pain! Fear and torment were easily seen on his face. I was allowed to experience a slight measure of it myself, it was horrible! I saw fire race up through him. The man screamed. The agony of the moment raced ever so briefly through me! Just as fast as I saw it and experienced it, it went away, and more was to come. A feeling of dread as to what might come next followed. I was left without words. I asked the Lord if this man had ever asked Jesus Christ into His heart. And the Lord said, “No”. The man had been led down this darkened road through drugs and self-means (ideas and choices). The man was in excruciating torment. I remember thinking, “Oh God, if he had only asked Jesus Christ into his heart as his Savior and Lord,

and had that relationship in his life, then he would not be there today.” *Physically we live this life only once and death marks the end of it. We each need to have our own relationship with our Heavenly Father through Jesus Christ! Those that do not follow God through receiving Jesus Christ as their Savior and Lord, AND do not do (obey) His will are the same people who are actually saying to God that they desire to do their own thing. They are therefore **in rebellion** against Him, and are following the way of the devil.*

All of this is plainly depicted throughout God’s Word in Psalms 9:17. God’s Holy and Righteous children will not be subject to the same place in eternity as **the children of wrath**. The children of wrath are those who will experience God’s wrath in a place set aside for them, the devil and his kind, a place called Hell and the Lake of Fire! They have chosen it for themselves; no one forced them into opposition against God. We have all been given a **free will** by God and the right to make our own decision (choice); to receive Jesus Christ as our Savior (Who takes away our sins), and Lord (Who leads us in Life Eternal).

God has given all *who chooses to come to Him* through His Son, Jesus Christ, **Eternal Life**. This brings all of humanity to the place where each of us must individually make a choice to receive Jesus Christ into our heart. We each have a free will to choose or not to choose Eternal Life (with God). We choose Eternal Life by asking His Son, Jesus Christ, into our heart!

**John 3:16 clearly states, “For God so loved the world that He gave His Only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him shall not *perish* but have Eternal Life.”**

Perish means to die, death, spiritual death, being separated from God eternally. Thank God that it is not His desire for us to be

separated from Him. Instead God so loved us that He made a Way back to Himself through Jesus Christ.

Psalms 49:8 says, “For a soul is far too precious to be ransomed by mere earthly wealth. There is not enough of it in all the earth to buy eternal life for just one soul, to keep it out of hell.”

### **Some Major Stumbling Blocks, Pit Falls, and Wrong Beliefs about “Getting Into Heaven”**

#### **First**

*Many do not believe God at His Word, and that Jesus Christ is alive even in the flesh, today.*

God, through His Word to us, clearly states that Jesus Christ appeared after His death and resurrection to: Mary, two men on the Damascus road, to the disciples in a room, and to countless others. Was this just as a spirit? **No!** Did He actually come in the flesh? **Yes!** Let’s look at the evidence recorded in God’s Word.

Thomas, a disciple of Jesus Christ, was not with the other disciples the first time they saw Jesus after the crucifixion and resurrection. When the other disciples reported the appearance of Jesus to Thomas, he doubted this occurrence! When Jesus appeared a second time to the disciples, “doubting Thomas” was there and not only saw Him but also TOUCHED the nail-scared places in Jesus’ hands. Thomas commented saying, “**My Lord, my God!**” (John 20:28). Wow! You cannot ask for any greater witness or testimony than that! Jesus resurrected and alive in the flesh! Many other people also saw Him ascend into the clouds out of sight.

#### **Second**

*Many have not confessed Jesus as their personal Savior, the One True awaited Messiah. He came in the flesh, died on the cross, and God raised Him from the dead: spirit, soul, and body.*

As you believe in your heart and confess with your mouth then you will be saved, that is, born into the Kingdom of God as His dear son or daughter. It only takes simple childlike faith (belief and trust) to enter into God's Kingdom.

### **Third**

*Many think they are good and that they have done good works, therefore God will let them into Heaven on that basis.*

"I am good." There are tons of people who for various reasons think that because of their right standing (reputation) in the community, by being a member of a church, rightfully justifying their actions before themselves with good deeds or works they have done "for God", that they are in good-standing with God. These people think they will be in Heaven one day. They may even think that God wouldn't dare do anything but accept them. **WRONG! *This is a wake up call folks!*** Just because you do good works or think you are the way you should be ***it is not enough.*** You might be saying "I did this..., I did that..., I prayed..., I talk with God..., and I have this understanding with God..., I will make God..., I have a certain degree from this Seminary, I was ordained by Pastor Billy, I was an Elder at ..., or I was a Deacon at ..., or I was a Bishop at ..., I cut the grass at church, or I helped widow Jenkins." **Sorry**, that will not get you into Heaven. (Titus 3:3-7)

### **Fourth**

*Many think that by reading the scriptures they can obtain an entrance into Heaven.*

The Holy scriptures of God are from the Spirit of God. God by His Holy Spirit breathed the scriptures into men who have penned the various books of the Bible for over thousands of years. Just picking up God's Word and reading the scriptures does not change your heart. That would be like trying to obtain entrance into Heaven

through “intellectual ascent”, which is also a type of “works” or trying to gain entrance into Heaven by “doing” something good (i.e., to achieve your way into Heaven). The Word of God clearly states that man’s own righteousness is as dirty rags. (Isaiah 64:6) God’s Word says in John 5:37-40, “And the Father Himself, which hath sent me, hath borne witness of me. Ye have neither heard His Voice at any time, nor seen His shape. *And ye have not His Word abiding in you: for whom He hath sent Him ye believe not* ye search the scriptures *for in them ye think ye have eternal life* and they are they which testify of me. **And ye will not come to Me, that ye might have life.**” (That “life” means **Eternal Life in the Heavenly Father, through His Son, Jesus Christ.**) One of the purposes of the scriptures is to testify of Him. The Word of God was designed to be received into your spirit, and that can only take place by the aid of God’s Spirit, the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit quickens (makes understood) what God is speaking to us in our mind. The process works like this: the Holy Spirit communicates to our spirit-man who in turn communicates to our mind (soul) the things of God. (God’s revelation and understanding then comes forth.) “*The spirit of man is the candle of the LORD, searching all the inward parts of the belly.*” (Proverbs 20:27)

### **Fifth**

*By my own merit or ability.*

***Our righteousness (right-ness before God) without Jesus Christ is as dirty rags.*** (Isaiah 64)

We need to see that our righteousness (rightness) is as dirty rags before God. The only Righteousness acceptable to God comes through Jesus Christ by means of His shed Blood. As the verses above in John 5:37-40, infers, we desperately need to go to Him; the One Who has Life and is Life. Do not let your personal problems with God and His Word hinder you in going to Him. We

need to accept Him at His Word and know that He has our best interest at heart! In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God and the Word was God (John 1:1). God and His Word are inseparable! The Word is as much a part of Him as Jesus His Son and His Holy Spirit is. The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us, the Son of God, Jesus Christ. (John 1:14) Only through Jesus Christ and His Blood can we be deemed as right before God.

**How to Move Past Any Stumbling Blocks,**  
**KNOWING you can have Eternal Life!**

It is written in God's Word to you and me in *1 John 5:13*, **that you can know** you have (now) *Eternal Life*.

That means exactly what it says "**you can know**" or you can be sure that once you ask Jesus Christ into your heart, He is there and with you! This restored relationship only comes through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Savior. There is no other way back to the Father, but through His Son. Only through Jesus Christ can a man's life be redeemed. God tells us this in His Word and God is not a liar, unlike man. He does what He says. He is Who He says He is. (Hebrews 6:18) God is love. (1 John 4:16)

You can absolutely trust God! I have experienced that during 100% of my relationship with Him in these last 42 plus years *and so have countless others* who have experienced His Mercy, His Faithfulness, and Loving Kindness!

***If you truly desire Him and seek Him, He will not turn you out!***  
Wow! What a statement!!!

(1) There is no rejection or messing up! God is not looking for a chance or excuse to "whack" you. Get rid of that earthly thinking!

When that type of thinking arises just know that it does not come from God.

(2) Don't worry about making a mistake. God looks at and knows your **heart**. He loves you dearly. So, don't argue with Him! Dear child, God loves you and through Jesus Christ He has made a clear-cut way to back to Him. There is no other path, way, or whatever you might call it, back to the Heavenly Father. (Hebrews 12:13)

***There are no excuses for not coming to Him!***

“For He saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured (helped) thee: **behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.**” (2 Corinthians 6:2)

### **How to ask Jesus Christ into your heart:**

**First, by an action of faith.** We go to God, believing and trusting that He is all that He has said He is, and will do for us all He has said He will do through His Son, Jesus Christ.

**Second, by acting upon that belief.** (“a step of faith”) In accordance with your faith, we **believe** and **trust** God, and ask Jesus Christ to come into your heart. (He will just as He has promised!)

You can receive Jesus into your heart now by praying and trusting God at His Word. God knows the desire of your heart and is ready to come and live in you and through your spirit. He will not turn you away. This is the way to taste and see, and know (and continue to know) that the Lord is good!

I ask you to get in a place now, where you will not be disturbed, so you can get quiet in the privacy of your own mind with Him.

**How do you know He is there with you?** He is omni-present, which is an attribute of God. He can be with someone in China and be with you here at the same moment in time. Trust me, I know what I am telling you. It's a God thing!

Be determined to block out all interferences, get still, quiet, and serious with God. ***Tell God you are serious about what you are about to pray.*** Will He hear you? Absolutely! He loves you, you are His creation. He has been waiting on you to come to Him and He is listening to you right now!

**If you have already asked Jesus Christ into your heart:**

Even if you have previously prayed a prayer asking Jesus Christ into your heart, asking Jesus into your heart again is not wrong before God. ***I encourage you to say the following prayer*** and say it with ***meaning in your heart*** (sincerely or in your best effort). This will only strengthen you in Him because it demonstrates your commitment to the Lord. (That is your faith and heart's determination!)

**Please Pray with me Now Focusing your heart's desire to be His Kingdom child!**

Heavenly Father, I come to You now, I acknowledge You as God, creator of Heaven and Earth.

Heavenly Father I confess that I am a sinner. I have sinned against You.

I believe in my heart that Jesus Christ is Your Son and You sent Your Son to Earth, and that he was born of a virgin.

I believe that Jesus Christ is the One true sacrifice for my sins.

I believe that Jesus Christ was crucified on a cross as a sacrifice for the sins of the world, sins which have blinded me and separated me from You.

I believe, Heavenly Father, that You sent Jesus Christ to personally die for me.

I believe Jesus Christ, Your Son, took upon Himself all of my sins and the sins of all mankind.

I believe Jesus, who knew no sin, became sin for me that I may receive Eternal Life.

I believe Heavenly Father; You raised Jesus Christ from the dead and He is alive and well, seated at Your Right Hand in Heaven.

**I now repent (turn) from my sins and choose to follow and obey Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior. I ask You Jesus Christ to be the Lord of my life and to lead me in all areas of my life. Jesus Christ I receive You as my Lord and Savior with all my heart and believe that You are my King and My God.**

Lord Jesus Christ, fill me with Your Holy Spirit, and use my life as a willing vessel. Heavenly Father, I ask that my life glorify You.

Thank You Heavenly Father for my salvation by faith in Jesus Christ and the Truth of Your Word,

In Jesus' Name, Amen (so be it)!

**For those who just can't seem to say that prayer, try saying this prayer first:** "Heavenly Father, I come to You and ask You in Jesus' Name to set me free from any wrong thoughts, fear, doubt, unbelief, believing any lies, any lies of the enemy, the devil, or demonic spirits, any thoughts that I have that are

hindering me now in coming to You. I ask You, Father God, to deliver me now of all hindrances to becoming Your born-again Kingdom child, in Jesus Christ's Holy Name. I resist the devil and all his demonic spirits must flee and leave my presence. Lord God, remove the lies and the hindrances and help me so I can say the above prayer of salvation in earnest from my heart! I ask You to force out, drive out, and bind all evil things far away from me, in Jesus' Name. Amen."

Now, go back and **choose to** say the prayer before this last one, with all of your heart, soul and being!

**If you prayed the prayer asking Jesus Christ into your heart as your Savior and Lord, and you meant it, then you need to realize that the Living God, Creator of Heaven and Earth now lives within you! That is awesome! God is awesome!!!**

**After saying the Salvation Prayer, thank God for what He has done for you!**

Thank You Heavenly Father, God. I love You, and thank you Jesus, and thank you Holy Spirit. Thank You. Lord thank You for all that You have done for me by making me Your son/daughter through the shed Blood of Jesus Christ. Thank You, Lord Jesus for taking all of the sins, the guilt, the shame, and the weight of all burdens of those sins from my shoulders. Cause me Lord to live and move in Your ways, to hear and know You all the days of my life, and walk with You in Your Righteousness forevermore! Lord Jesus Christ, teach me what it means to abide (live) in You, and You in me, no matter what this world (fallen/corrupt life) or the devil throws at me. Your "Will" be done in and through my life as a light, so other people may come to You and know You!

Continue to praise Him! Get some praise and worship CD's or music and celebrate Jesus!

## **Nail it Down**

The next best thing you can do is to immediately talk to someone, or call someone, another believer in Christ, and tell them what you have just done! The Word of God tells us to tell others. This allows you to confess the Name of Jesus before man, and it also strengthens you in Him.

Write what you just did on a piece of paper, date it, sign it, put it in a special place, and go out and celebrate it!

Note: The devil will come either sooner or later and try to get you to believe you didn't become God's child or that this was not real to begin with. The devil will use anybody or anything to do this!

Not everybody is going to agree with or like what you just did, and there are reasons for that. **Don't let that stop you!** They need to hear it. It might be the very testimony they have waited for, or that God uses you to bring them into His Kingdom. However, if at first they don't agree, don't be discouraged. They have been living in darkness a long time. It is not up to you to change that. That is the work of the Holy Spirit!

You are a new creature in Christ, celebrate, rejoice and be glad. Then go forth and **never** deny Jesus as being Your Savior and Lord.

## **Assurance of Salvation**

I am going to pray for you the reader, "Heavenly Father, I ask You in the Name of Your Son Jesus Christ, to continue to affirm this new believer in Christ with a strong sense of Your Presence in and upon their life. I ask You Lord to reveal to each of these who asked Jesus into their hearts, that their sins are as far from them as the East is from the West, gone, never to return to them again. I ask Lord that Your Holy Spirit speak to, minister, and guide each one

of these people in a definite way, according to Your plan for their lives. Heavenly Father, I pray that You grant them a deep inner peace and resolve in their entire being, that they can know that they have entered an Everlasting Blood Covenant with You, a covenant where You said You would never, never, never, leave them nor forsake them. (Hebrews 13:5-6) Also Father, teach them to know they can depend on You. Lord, I ask that Your Kingdom come and Your Will be done in each of their lives. Heavenly Father, strengthen them, cause them to Hear and Know Your Voice, keep them from all harm and tricks of mankind, keep them from the Devil and his fallen angels, teach Your Kingdom children, and grow them in Your love, wisdom, power, and by the leading of Your Holy Spirit. Lord God, place within them strongly, the desire to become a praise and a glory unto You all the days of their lives. Lord, empower them to praise and glorify You, in Jesus Christ's Holy Name, I ask all of these things according to Your Will and Your Word in the Book of John, Chapter 14, verses 13 and 14), amen (so be it !).”

*Now start getting acquainted with God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit, His Word, and His Ways.*

- (1) Read His Word (Start in the Book of John, one chapter a day).  
Pray: Lord Jesus, reveal to me what I am reading in Your Word.
- (2) Pray (communicate with Him). Set aside a time for just you and Him! Talk to Him as you go through your day. He is interested even in the small things in your life!
- (3) Have fellowship and communion with Him. Love Him with all your heart, soul, mind, strength, and obedience.

(4) Fellowship with other true believers. Father God has other children we can fellowship with. (Other brothers and sisters in Christ!)

(5) Study the Word to prove yourself and be approved unto the Lord, so you may walk in His precepts, principles, and ways as He reveals them to you. (1 Corinthians 2:13 and 1 John 2:27)

(6) Share Jesus and your experiences with others.

### **New Beginnings**

You are now “born again” into the Kingdom of God, restored to Him. When this occurs, the Spirit of God, the Holy Spirit, enters into you when you relinquish your spirit to God through the act of believing God, turning from your sinful nature, to trusting God, and then by an act of faith, asking Jesus Christ into your heart as Savior and Lord of your life. This allows God’s Holy Spirit to come into you and place the seal of God’s redemption upon your heart (inner man).

### **Feelings**

Some people do feel something at this point and some people don’t. *Don’t worry about that!* **If you meant it then don’t question it!** What you have to really come to terms with is that **now you have Him “in” you!** It is settled, a “done deal”. You have been in this world a long time operating and being tuned to worldly ways of thinking, feeling, and doing. I call that “**the flesh.**” Realize this, our walk with God is not about our thoughts - logic or rationalization, what we do for a living, and it is not about our feelings. Our walk now is to be focused in **a faith-based realm** wherein we have a “trust and obey” relationship with our Heavenly Father. It may take some time to get your thinking, feelings, and emotions turned around, or ordered by God’s Ways, Word and Spirit, **but they will come with God’s help**, as we diligently seek

Him. *Give yourself time!* I have been there and I am still walking by faith. This is not a fast or speedy “microwave” process. ***Give yourself and God time.*** I know what I am talking about!

### **DO NOT WORRY! (Matthew 6:25-34)**

(Worrying is a sin anyway.) I know what I have experienced in my walk with the Lord! You will want to get more of the Word in you, and spend more time in prayer with Him. You will want to spend more time with His children (other believers in Christ, your new family, your brothers and sisters in Christ). Your target or goal is to get to know Him and spend more time in His Presence. Allow Him to bring change in Your Life.

*Just as the natural person needs natural food to grow; now you will want to **feed your spirit-man** spiritual food and drink to continue to grow.* Feed before Him in prayer on the Book of John. Ask Him to reveal His Word and Himself to You! Ask Him questions and keep a journal, expectantly waiting for His answers. Even today I thirst and hunger for more of God. The Word of God says you will find Him if you seek Him with all your heart, all your soul, and all your being. God desires you to draw near to Him, and in doing so, He promises to draw near to you! In doing so you will continue to grow into the likeness of His dear Son, Jesus Christ. God will reveal Himself to you.

### **What If I Sin Again After Asking Jesus Into My Heart?**

After becoming one of His dear children you will still make mistakes and get into sin. Hopefully you will not sin as often as time goes and you mature in Christ. Just in case you do then know that the Word of God in 1 John 1:9 says, “If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” Once we confess our sins, they are gone, never to be remembered by God (Jeremiah 31:34). He will never

grace is sufficient. We are not to deliberately sin. He will deal with you and deliver you from that. Ask the Lord to take all the guilt and shame, wrong memories, and urges away from you. He loves you!!! He will never, never, never, leave you nor forsake you! So, don't bring up past confessed sin that has been forgiven. All you are doing is beating yourself up. God has cast forgotten it. He might be saying to you, "What are you talking about?" If you have confessed your sin **with true regret** (a true repentant heart). He has already forgiven you, and He wants you to **forgive yourself** !

### **It is Written**

God's final authority on the matter is given to us through His Word in 1 John 5:13 as follows: "These things have I written unto you that believe on the Name of the Son of God; *that ye **may know that ye have Eternal Life**, and that ye may believe on the Name of the Son of God.*" See, there it is! **You can know!** Very plain and very straight forward. Now receive that Truth, and believe on the Name of the Son of God. and receive Him into Your heart. *After asking Jesus Christ into your heart, He now lives within you. You can now walk confidently knowing for sure that He is in you! Jesus said, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all our soul, and with all your mind,' This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'" (Matthew 22:37-39) We need to always continue to ABIDE in Jesus Christ by seeking Him through (1) prayer, (2) fellowship with other believers where God is the center of attention (we are the "church") this should include praise and worship, (3) time with Him in His Word (the Bible), (4) telling others about Him – what experiences we have had with Him (witnessing), (5) Praise and Worship of the Lord – a time when we exalt God from our heart! God desires an on going and growing relationship with us! This is the place, in Him, you are to "be" from now on, and not stray from! Jesus Christ is our resting place in God! Finally, continue to believe in, trust in, lean on, rely on, and cleave to the Lord Jesus Christ with all of your heart growing in Him. (Proverbs 3:5-7)*

Jesus said, "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by Me." (John 14:6)

