

## Expect Great Things to Take Place in Your Life!

The change may be gradual or sudden depending on many factors in your life and God's plan for you.

### *For help in experiencing new life*

- Be assured daily of God's love for you
- Unite with a Christian Church to learn more about how you can live for Christ
- Seek out other Christians and discuss your new life in Him
- Read your Bible often, especially the Gospels
- Pray often and ask persons to pray for you

### *In the morning and during the day*

- Offer yourself anew to God
- Thank God for His Presence, love and guidance
- Preview your day, ask for guidance and strength
- Pray for others, write down their names
- Pray about needs in your life
- Meditate on a verse of Scripture or a thought about God

### *Before retiring at night*

- Mentally review the day
- Confess your sins and failures, accept His forgiveness, and forgive yourself
- Commit yourself to God and go to sleep

*Tell Others about your experience with Christ.*

## Daily Assurance

I am a Christian by the grace of God, and my faith in Jesus Christ. His presence is within me with all the power I need to meet the demands of each moment. Because I am A Christian, I will seek to BE Christian in all that I do. I will keep on believing, keep on loving, keep on witnessing, and keep on serving God and other persons. When I fail, or make mistakes, I will ask God to forgive me. And I will forgive myself.

### Personal Record of My Commitment

On this day I make a new commitment to accept the love of God as He comes in Jesus Christ.

I promise to make Him Savior and Lord of my life.

I look to Him as the Source for all my needs.

I will seek to be a growing Christian as I allow Him to guide me in loving and serving others.

My Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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FIRST STEPS TO

# New Life



Have you ever wondered why . . .

Some people always seem to have inward peace no matter how bad things seem to be?

Some people never seem to have inward peace no matter how good things seem to be?

*You can have inward peace  
and a meaningful life by  
knowing and following God's  
way for you.*

## Look at these 5 facts . . .

### Fact 1

## God loves you and wants your life to have meaning.

### This is God's plan for everyone

*"For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life." John 3:16*

### This is God's plan for you (insert your name in the blank)

"For God so loved \_\_\_\_\_ that He gave His only begotten Son that \_\_\_\_\_ who believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life."

## Then Why Doesn't Everyone Have This Meaningful Life?

*Because. . .*

### Fact 2

## We interrupt God's plan for us.

By:

- Ignoring God
- Rebelling against God
- Trying to go it alone

## We bring misery and alienation upon ourselves through sin (refusing God's love, help and guidance).

*"If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves."*  
1 John 1:8

### Fact 3

## Our rebellion brings disorder to life.

We are out of harmony:

- With God
- With ourself
- With others
- With our world

### No one can find adequate meaning by themselves . . .

*"By Grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing it is the gift of God..." Ephesians 2:8*

### Fact 4

## God comes in Jesus Christ to give us life.

*"I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."*  
John 10:10

*"This is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent" John 17:3*

We cannot restore harmony with God while we are in rebellion. We cannot find meaning in life while we are out of harmony with the Source of life. Jesus offers peace and harmony with God

### He died for us

*"God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us." Romans 5:8*

### He forgives our sins

*"If we confess our sins, He who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness." 1 John 1:9*

### He restores our relationship to God

*"In Christ God was reconciling the world to Himself."*  
II Corinthians 5:19

### He gives life and new meaning

*"So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!" II Corinthians 5:17*

### Fact 5

## We can find happiness and meaning in life as we receive and confess Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.

### We can confess Jesus as Savior and Lord.

*"To all who received Him, who believed in His name, He gave power to become children of God." John 1:12*

*"Because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved." Romans 10:9*

## Jesus is ready to give you life now

*"Listen! I am standing at the door, knocking; if you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in to you and eat with you, and you with me."*  
Revelation 3:20

## Are you ready to transfer your trust from yourself to Christ?

### Accepting Jesus Christ and finding new meaning for life includes five first steps:

- Desire new life in Christ
- Admit your sin and need for forgiveness
- Receive God's forgiving love
- Acknowledge Jesus as savior and Lord of your life
- Begin to live for Him in loving concern for others

### You may ask Him to enter your life now. Talk to him in your own words, or use this prayer:

*"Lord Jesus, I need your help. Forgive my sins and give me peace with God and myself. Make your way of life my way of life. Thank you for the new peace and new life you are giving me. In Your name I pray. Amen."*