

Would You Like to Know
GOD
Personally?

Going to heaven is as simple as ABC!



A = Admit

1. Admit that you have sinned.

- *Romans 3:23 ... all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God*

2. Admit that all the good things you do will not get you to heaven.

- *Titus 3:4-5 ... God showed us his kindness and love by saving us, not because of the good things we did, but because of his mercy.*



B = Believe

1. Believe that God loves you.

- *John 3:16 For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.*

2. Believe that Jesus died for your sins.

- *Romans 5:8 ... God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.*
- *1 Peter 3:18 For Christ died for your sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God.*

3. Believe that God wants you to go to heaven.

- *John 14:1-3 ... believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for*

you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.

- 2 Peter 3:9 The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

3 C = Call

1. Call on God.

- Romans 10:13 Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

2. Call for God's mercy (repentance).

- Luke 18:8-14 ... To some who were confident their own righteousness and looked down on everybody else, Jesus told this parable: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood up and prayed about himself: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men--robbers, evildoers, adulterers--or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get.' "But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, 'God, have mercy on me, a sinner.' "I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."



3. Call for God's salvation (faith).

- Acts 16:29-34 The jailer called for lights, rushed in and fell trembling before Paul and Silas. He then brought them out and asked, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They replied, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved--you and your household." Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all the others in his house. At that hour of the night the jailer took them and washed their wounds; then immediately he and all his family were baptized. The jailer brought them into his house and set a meal before them; he was filled with joy because he had come to believe in God--he and his whole family.

You Can Receive Christ Right Now by Faith Through Prayer

(Prayer is talking with God)

God knows your heart and is not so concerned with your words as He is with the attitude of your heart. The following is a suggested prayer:

"Lord Jesus, I want to know You personally. Thank You for dying on the cross for my sins. I open the door of my life and receive You as my Savior and Lord. Thank You for forgiving me of my sins and giving me eternal life. Take control of the throne of my life. Make me the kind of person You want me to be."

Does this prayer express the desire of your heart? If it does, pray this prayer right now, and Christ will come into your life, as He promised.

How to Know That Christ Is in Your Life

Did you receive Christ into your life? According to His promise in Revelation 3:20, which says, "Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with him, and he with me"; where is Christ right now in relation to you? Christ said that He would come into your life and be your friend so you can know Him personally. Would He mislead you? On what authority do you know that God has answered your prayer? (The trustworthiness of God Himself and His Word.)

The Bible Promises Eternal Life to All Who Receive Christ

"The witness is this, that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. He who has the Son has the life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have the life. These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, in order that you may know that you have eternal life" (1 John 5:11-13).

Thank God often that Christ is in your life and that He will never leave you ([Hebrews 13:5](#)). You can know on the basis of His promise that Christ lives in you and that you have eternal life from the very moment you invite Him in. He will not deceive you.

An important reminder...

Do Not Depend on Feelings

The promise of God's Word, the Bible - not our feelings - is our authority. The Christian lives by faith (trust) in the trustworthiness of God Himself and His Word. This train diagram illustrates the relationship among fact (God and His Word), faith (our trust in God and His Word), and feeling (the result of our faith and obedience) ([John 14:21](#)).

The train will run with or without the caboose. However, it would be useless to attempt to pull the train by the caboose. In the same way, we as Christians do not depend on feelings or emotions, but we place our faith (trust) in the trustworthiness of God and the promises of His Word.

Now That You Have Entered Into a Personal Relationship With Christ

The moment you received Christ by faith, as an act of your will, many things happened, including the following:

- * Christ came into your life ([Revelation 3:20](#) and [Colossians 1:27](#)).
- * Your sins were forgiven ([Colossians 1:14](#)).
- * You became a child of God ([John 1:12](#)).
- * You received eternal life ([John 5:24](#)).
- * You began the great adventure for which God created you ([John 10:10](#); [2 Corinthians 5:17](#) and [1 Thessalonians 5:18](#)).

Can you think of anything more wonderful that could happen to you than entering into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ? Would you like to thank God in prayer right now for what He has done for you? By thanking God, you demonstrate your faith.



To enjoy your new relationship with God...

Suggestions For Christian Growth

Spiritual growth results from trusting Jesus Christ. "The righteous man shall live by faith" ([Galatians 3:11](#)). A life of faith will enable you to trust God increasingly with every detail of your life, and to practice the following:

- G** Go to God in prayer daily ([John 15:7](#)).
- R** Read God's Word daily ([Acts 17:11](#)) - begin with the Gospel of John.
- O** Obey God moment by moment ([John 14:21](#)).
- W** Witness for Christ by your life and words ([Matthew 4:19](#); [John 15:8](#)).
- T** Trust God for every detail of your life ([1 Peter 5:7](#)).
- H** Holy Spirit - Allow Him to control and empower your daily life and witness ([Galatians 5:16,17](#); [Acts 1:8](#)).