

have you
discovered...

LIFE



THERE ARE THREE THINGS EVERYONE IS SEARCHING FOR IN LIFE:

PURPOSE (a desire to have meaning and feel significant)

SECURITY (a desire to have hope and to feel safe)

FULFILLMENT (a desire to be happy and feel satisfied)



Originally, God created us to find life and fulfill these desires in a personal relationship with Him.

Most people don't experience these things fully because they look for them on their own - apart from God.

People seek purpose, security and fulfillment through work, relationships, money, sports or pleasure, but it's temporary and leaves us empty. On our own we are unable to find the life we long for.



*One Verse From The Bible Interprets Our Problem With
God's Solution*

“For the wages of sin is death . . .



WAGES

Something you earn or a payment for work done.

SIN

Disobeying God (missing the mark) and trying to find life apart from Him.

DEATH

Death implies separation. Spiritual death in this life is a lack of purpose, security and fulfillment. In the next life it is an experience of God's eternal punishment in Hell.

The Bible says we can't find life on our own (Prov. 14:12) and we can't work our way back to God (Rom. 3:20). But the next part of the verse offers hope.

but the gift of God is eternal life.” (Romans 6:23)

A gift is something that is free.

The Bible describes God as Holy. This means He is perfect in every way - without sin.

Eternal life is a personal relationship with God that begins in this life and continues forever in heaven (John 17:3).

GOD

GIFT

GOD

ETERNAL LIFE



How can we experience the life that God offers?

“... in Christ Jesus our Lord.” (Romans 6:23)

Jesus said, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.” (John 14:6)

Romans 5:8 says, “But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners Christ died for us.”

Ephesians 2:8-9 says, “For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith - and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God - not by works, so that no one can boast.

How does someone receive this gift and enter into a relationship with God?



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RECEIVE CHRIST THROUGH:

Repent of your sin - turning from your rebellion against God and from trusting in good works to save you.

Trust Christ as your substitute—trusting in Christ's work (his life, death, and resurrection) as the basis of your acceptance with God. “That if you confess with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord” (repentance), and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead (trust), you will be saved. Romans 10:9.

Which circle best represents your life? What is holding you back from trusting in Christ as SAVIOR and LORD?

1. Repent

2. Trust



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The importance of investigation

C.S. Lewis was an Atheist who converted to Christianity after investigating the claims of Christ. He believed there were only three conclusions one could make about Jesus:

Liar ~ He knew he wasn't God, but said He was.

Lunatic ~ He thought He was God, but wasn't.

Lord ~ He was who He claimed - the Son of God.

Two ways to investigate:

1. Read the Bible cover to cover.
2. Use "Cliff Notes" and a tutor.

Would you be interested in investigating the claims of Christ?

A RELATIONSHIP WITH CHRIST BRINGS:

ETERNAL PURPOSE —Our purpose is to glorify and enjoy God by knowing Him and making Him known (John 17:3, 25-26). This produces a meaningful life.

ULTIMATE SECURITY—God promises to love you and to never leave you (Romans 8:31-39). He also promises to give you a hope and a future (Jeremiah 29:11). This produces confidence and bold living.

LASTING FULFILLMENT—Knowing God and walking in His ways will produce true joy and lasting satisfaction. Jesus said, “ I came that they might have life - and have it to the full” (John 10:10)

If you are ready to place your faith in Christ

Based on God's promise, you can express repentance and trust at any time through praying to God. Prayer is simply talking with God. He is more concerned with attitude of your heart, than the words you say. The following is a suggested prayer;

Lord Jesus, I have sinned by seeking purpose, security, and fulfillment in other things. I deserve eternal death. I want to turn from my sin and trust in you. I believe you died for my sins and rose for my salvation. Take control of my life and give me the life that You promised.

SUGGESTIONS FOR EXPERIENCING LIFE IN CHRIST

Spiritual growth results from trusting Jesus Christ. Committing your life to Christ is an event. Growing in Christ is a process.

Begin reading **God's Word** for guidance and strength.
(Begin in the Gospel of John).

Pray **daily** as you learn to talk to GOD and gain His strength.
Seek out Christian relationships where you can find encouragement. Find a church where God's Word is taught.
Openly **identify** with Christ.

Obey God as you learn what He desires for you to do in each area of your life.

Christ-Centered Life



Resources are available for your spiritual growth.

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