

# Salvation

Salvation is made possible by the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Without Jesus, a person is separated from God and His unconditional love, grace and mercy for all eternity. Without Jesus, you will live in a place called hell for eternity. However, God loved you so much that He made a way for your sins to be paid for and forgiven, and for you to be saved. (John 3:16).

Everyone, except Jesus, has sinned. Paul, who wrote the book of Romans, said in Romans 3:23, "For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God's glorious standard." You cannot be good enough on your own to save yourself, even if you think you are a good person. In Romans 6:23, Paul states, "For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord." Jesus calls us to confess our sin, turn from sin (which is called repentance), and turn to God for forgiveness. Acts 3:19 says, "Repent, then, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord."

Paul wrote in Romans 10:13-19, "If you declare with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. As Scripture says, 'Anyone who believes in Him will never be put to shame.' Because of this promise, we are offered something so much better than the bondage that comes with sin. We are offered true and real freedom through Christ.

The reason God has placed us on earth is to come to know Jesus Christ and live a life devoted to Him. Jesus is God and the only way to have true freedom in life. If you recognized that you don't have a relationship with Christ, He wants to save you.

If you have questions or want to talk about what this means for you, please call your local NewSpring Church office or you can email us at [care@newspring.cc](mailto:care@newspring.cc).

