



HOW SHALL WE THEN LIVE?

One Rule, One Gate, One Way

Matthew 7:12-14

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“Do to others whatever you would like them to do to you. This is the essence of all that is taught in the law and the prophets.”

Matthew 7:13

“You can enter God’s Kingdom only through the narrow gate. The highway to hell is broad, and its gate is wide for the many who choose that way.”

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“But the gateway to life is very narrow and the road is difficult and only a few ever find it.”

HOW TO BECOME A FOLLOWER OF JESUS

REALIZE ... that God has a loving plan and purpose for your life.

Jesus said, “I came to give you a full & satisfying life.

(John 10:10)

God loved the world so much that He gave his only Son (Jesus) so that everyone who believes in Him will not perish but have eternal life.

(John 3:16)

RECOGNIZE ... that sin separates us from God and His plan for our lives.

There is a problem ... our sin has separated us from God.

(Isaiah 59:2)

All of us have sinned and the wages of that sin is death ... eternal separation from God in Hell.

(Romans 3:23 & 6:23)

REPENT ... of your sin by asking Jesus to forgive you.

Forsake your sinful ways and evil thoughts. Return to the Lord.

God will show you mercy and forgive you freely.

(Isaiah 55:7)

Confess your sins to Jesus. He is faithful and just to forgive your sins and to cleanse you from all wickedness.

(1 John 1:9)

RESPOND ... to Jesus by surrendering your life to Him as your God and Savior.

As a Christian, Christ is alive in me. Therefore, my life today is all about faithfully following the Son of God, who loves me and gave Himself up for me.

(Galatians 2:20)

Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved. Only Jesus has the power to save! His name is the only one in all the world that can save anyone.

(Acts 4:12; 16:31)

Following Jesus starts with a prayer like this:

Dear Lord Jesus ... I believe that you alone are God and the only one who can save me from sin. I ask you to forgive me for my sin. I surrender my life to You and I ask You to be my Savior and God. Please help me to live this life faithfully following You and bring me home to Heaven when I die. Thank you, Jesus, for loving me like this ... Amen.

If you have placed your faith in Jesus today, NCFE wants you to know how happy we are to hear that! Please reach out to the church office to let us know of your decision to follow Christ. NCFE has some free materials (including a Bible) that we'd like to give to you to help you in your first steps as a Christian.