

How do I accept Jesus as my Lord and Savior?

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How do we come into a personal relationship with Jesus as our Lord? We must do 3 things: **Repent** of our sins, **Believe** the “good news”, and **follow Jesus**.

What is ‘The Gospel’, the “Good News” of Jesus?

¹⁴ Later on, after John was arrested, **Jesus** went into Galilee, where he **preached God’s Good News**. - Mark 1:14 NLT

The gospel is God’s good news (Mark 1:14–15)
that through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, (1 Corinthians 15:3–4; Romans 4:25)
we are called to repent of our sin (Luke 13:3; Acts 3:19)
and believe that He died and rose to give us new life. (Romans 6:4; John 11:25–26)
Through faith, we are forgiven and set free from sin’s power, (Romans 8:1–2; Ephesians 1:7)
made new by His Spirit, (Titus 3:5–6; 2 Corinthians 5:17)
and invited to follow Jesus as Lord in daily surrender and joy. (Luke 9:23; Philippians 2:9–11; John 15:10–11)

What does it mean to “repent”?

¹⁵ “The time promised by God has come at last!” he announced. “The Kingdom of God is near! **Repent of your sins and believe the Good News!**” - Mark 1:15 NLT

Repentance is the deliberate choice to change your mind, leading to a new relationship with God. (Isaiah 55:6-7, Joel 2:12-13)

To repent means to willingly turn from sin and stop doing what is against God’s commands for our life. (Ezekiel 18:21-23)

What is “sin”?

²³ For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God’s glorious standard. – Romans 3:23 NLT

Sin is the rebellion in every heart that refuses God’s divine instructions. (Romans 3:23, 8:7, Jeremiah 5:23)

Sin resist God’s love and chooses self over His truth and commands. (James 1:13-16, John 3:19, 1 John 2:4)

How do I ask Jesus into my life? We pray a “prayer of salvation”.

Prayer of Salvation

Dear Jesus,
I know I have sinned and done things my way instead of Yours. (2 Corinthians 7:10)
I believe You died on the cross for my sins and rose again to give me new life. (Romans 5:8, 1 Corinthians 15:3-5 & 15:20-22)
I confess my sin, and I turn from it today. (Acts 20:21, Romans 10:9-10)
Please forgive me, change my heart, and help me to follow You. (Psalm 51:10, 1 John 1:9)
I give You my life to be my Lord and my Savior. (Romans 12:1-2, Galatians 2:20, Matthew 11:28)
Thank You for loving me and saving me. (Isaiah 53:5, John 3:16)
In Jesus name I pray, Amen.