
Coming Home To God

Devotion 7

All Ages

January 28 – February 1

How to Come Back to God

The whole Creation to Christ story is summarized in one verse: **“For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes [trusts] in him shall not perish but have eternal life.” John 3:16**

To come back to God, you must put your faith (trust) in Jesus. To do that, we must turn from our old sinful life and ask God to forgive us. **“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.” 1 John 1:9** He is a treasure worth joyfully giving your life to gain!

Therefore, to return to God you must repent (turn from) your sins and believe in Jesus as your new Master.

Prayer: God wants you, your family and friends to return to Him. To return, you must believe in your heart and confess . . .

“God, I know you love me, but I have sinned against you.

However, Jesus is the perfect sacrifice for my sin. I believe and trust in Jesus to take my punishment.

I confess I have sinned and am sorry. God please forgive me.

I put my trust in You Jesus and ask you to lead me back to God.

I agree to joyfully obey You as my Master from this moment on as I read the Bible.

Thank you for my new and eternal life as your child.”

Assurance

If you truly turned back to God, you are now God’s child. You have a brand new life! The Bible says:

“I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life.” 1 John 5:13 (MEMORY VERSE)

No matter what happens, you are now God’s child forever! He wants you to rest assured that you have a new life and nothing can separate you again!

It is important now to meet with other believers, read God’s Word and pray to Him regularly to grow in your new relationship with God.

God’s plan is not only to bring you back but to bring back you family and friends *through you*. God is waiting for your whole family to believe in Him. Go home and tell your family and friends this good news. God loves them too! **Think of the names of at least five people you want to tell this story to this week. Whom do you think most would like to hear this?**