



NEW BELIEVER'S  
GUIDE TO FOLLOWING  
✝ JESUS

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# Welcome to the Family of God



## Introduction:

Welcome to the journey of faith! If you have recently accepted Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior, you have made the most important decision of your life. Following Jesus is a lifelong journey of growing in faith, love, and obedience to God. This guide is designed to help you understand the basics of your new faith and provide practical steps for spiritual growth. You are not alone—God is with you, and many other believers are walking this journey alongside you.

# Chapter 1: Understanding Salvation

## What Is Salvation?

Salvation is the gift of eternal life that God offers through Jesus Christ. It is not something we can earn through good works, but a free gift given by God's grace. The Bible says in **Ephesians 2:8-9**, "For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast."

## The Gospel Message in Simple Terms

The gospel is the good news that:

1. **God loves you** – "For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life." (**John 3:16**)
2. **Sin separates us from God** – "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." (**Romans 3:23**)
3. **Jesus died for our sins** – "But God demonstrates His own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us." (**Romans 5:8**)
4. **We must receive Jesus by faith** – "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." (**Romans 10:9**)

## Assurance of Salvation

Once you have put your faith in Jesus, you can be sure of your salvation. **1 John 5:13** 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." Your salvation is secure because it is based on God's promise, not your feelings.

# Chapter 2: Growing in Your Relationship with God



## How to Pray and Talk to God

Prayer is simply talking to God. You don't need fancy words—just speak from your heart. Jesus gave us a model for prayer in **Matthew 6:9-13** (The Lord's Prayer). Some key aspects of prayer include:

- **Praise** – Thank God for who He is.
- **Confession** – Ask for forgiveness for sins.
- **Requests** – Pray for your needs and for others.
- **Listening** – Be still and let God speak to you.

## Reading and Understanding the Bible

The Bible is God's Word and our guide for life. Start by reading the **Gospel of John** to learn more about Jesus. Here are some tips:

- Set aside time daily to read.
- Ask God to help you understand.
- Apply what you learn to your life.

## The Role of the Holy Spirit

When you became a believer, the Holy Spirit came to live in you. He helps you grow in faith, understand Scripture, and overcome sin. **John 14:26** says, "But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you."

# Chapter 3: The Importance of Christian Community



## Why Church Matters

Being part of a church is vital for spiritual growth. The Bible encourages believers to gather together: **Hebrews 10:25** says, "Not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another." A church provides worship, teaching, fellowship, and opportunities to serve.

## Finding Fellowship and Accountability

Christian fellowship strengthens your faith. Surrounding yourself with other believers helps you stay encouraged and accountable in your walk with Christ. Join a Bible study or small group where you can learn and grow with others.

## Serving Others

Jesus taught that serving others is a key part of following Him. **Mark 10:45** says, "For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many." Look for ways to serve in your church and community.



# Chapter 4: Living Out Your Faith



## Overcoming Temptation

As a believer, you will face temptation, but God provides a way to resist. **1 Corinthians 10:13** says, "No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it."

## Developing Godly Habits

Spiritual growth requires discipline. Make prayer, Bible reading, and fellowship a daily habit. **Colossians 3:16** says, "Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly."

## Sharing Your Faith with Others

Jesus commands us to share the gospel with others. **Matthew 28:19-20** says, "Go and make disciples of all nations." Look for opportunities to share what God has done in your life.



# Chapter 5: Trusting God in Everyday Life

## Facing Trials and Challenges

Life will have difficulties, but God is with you. **James 1:2-3** encourages us to consider trials as a way to grow in faith: "Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance."

## Relying on God's Promises

God's Word is full of promises to strengthen and encourage you. **Isaiah 41:10** says, "Do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you."

## Living with Purpose

As a believer, your life has meaning and purpose. **Ephesians 2:10** says, "For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."

# Conclusion



## Encouragement for the Journey

Your walk with Christ is a lifelong journey. Keep seeking Him daily, growing in faith, and living for His glory.

## Next Steps for Continued Growth

- Continue reading the Bible and praying daily.
- Get involved in a church and Christian community.
- Share your faith and serve others.
- Trust God in every area of your life.

Stay encouraged—God is with you every step of the way!



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