THE BRIDGE

One of the most effective ways to explain God's simple plan of salvation is by using an illustration called the "BRIDGE TO LIFE."

STEP 1:

GOD LOVES YOU AND HAS A PURPOSE FOR YOUR LIFE.

God wants you to experience peace and life, abundant and eternal.

John 3:16: 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 10:10: The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.



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STEP 2: SIN SEPARATES YOU FROM GOD.

Everyone has chosen to disobey God and go our own way. This is sin, and it separates us from God.

Romans 3:23: For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

Romans 6:23: For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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STEP 3: GOD'S BRIDGE: THE CROSS JESUS IS THE ONLY WAY.

Jesus Christ died on a cross and rose from the grave. He paid the penalty for our sin and bridged the gap between God and people.

John 14:6: Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

Romans 5:8: But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.



STEP 4: OUR RESPONSE: TRUST JESUS.

We must trust Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and invite Him into our lives.

Romans 10:9: That if you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

John 1:12: Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God.

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