How to **RECEIVE CHRIST**

1. **RECOGNIZE GOD’S PLAN—PEACE AND LIFE**
   God loves you and wants you to experience His peace and life. The BIBLE says ... “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.” John 3:16

2. **REALIZE OUR PROBLEM—SEPARATION FROM GOD**
   People choose to disobey God and go their own way. This results in separation from God. The BIBLE says ... “All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.” Romans 3:23
   “The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.” Romans 6:23, NKJV

3. **RESPOND TO GOD’S REMEDY—THE CROSS**
   God sent His Son to bridge the gap. Christ did this by paying the penalty for our sins when He died on the cross and rose from the grave. The BIBLE says ... “But God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.” Romans 5:8

4. **RECEIVE CHRIST—AS LORD AND SAVIOR**
   You cross the bridge into God’s family when you prayerfully ask Christ to come into your life. The BIBLE says ... “But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God.” John 1:12

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1. Admit your need (I am a sinner).
2. Be willing to turn from your sins, and ask God to forgive you (repent).
3. Believe that Jesus Christ died for you on the cross and rose from the grave.
4. Through prayer, invite Jesus Christ to come in and control your life through the Holy Spirit (receive Christ as Lord and Savior).

**PRAYER OF COMMITMENT**
Dear God, I know that I am a sinner. I want to turn from my sins, and I ask for Your forgiveness. I believe that Jesus Christ is Your Son. I believe He died for my sins and that You raised Him to life. I want Him to come into my heart and to take control of my life. I want to trust Jesus as my Savior and follow Him as my Lord from this day forward. In Jesus’ Name, amen.