

How to Become a Christian

Many people believe they are Christians because they were born in a Christian culture, go to church regularly, try to do their best, or live a good life. However, the Bible teaches that these things cannot make you a Christian. You become a Christian by simply taking these two steps:

- Acknowledge that you (along with all people) have sinned and fallen short of God's standards. ROMANS 3:23
- Personally believe that Jesus Christ, who was God in human flesh, died for your sins on the cross and rose again. I CORINTHIANS 15:3, 4

You may express your belief through prayer, asking Jesus to come into your life, and receiving Him as God's gift to you.
JOHN 1:12, ROMANS 6:23, REVELATION 3:20

"For it is by grace you have been saved through faith ...it is the gift of God; not by works, so that no one can boast."
EPHESIANS 2:8, 9

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Sermon Notes

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God Has Come to Help! The God Who Seeks and Saves Luke 7:11-17



God Pursues

Soon afterward, Jesus went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd went along with him. As he approached the town gate, a dead person was being carried out—the only son of his mother, and she was a widow. And a large crowd from the town was with her.
LUKE 7:11-12 (NIV)

- He's at the right _____.

Contextual Connections: Contrasts

- He's there at the right _____.
- Challenge: Trusting in God's _____.

God is Love

When the Lord saw her, his heart went out to her and he said, "Don't cry." Then he went up and touched the coffin, and those carrying it stood still. He said, "Young man, I say to you, get up!" The dead man sat up and began to talk, and Jesus gave him back to his mother.
LUKE 7:13-15 (NIV)

- God _____ our situation. v. 13

Biblical Connections: Widows and orphans

- God responds in _____. v. 14

- God deals with _____. v. 15

Theological Connections: Consequence of sin

- Challenge: Trusting Jesus as _____.

God is Worthy of Worship

They were all filled with awe and praised God. "A great prophet has appeared among us," they said. "God has come to help his people." This news about Jesus spread throughout Judea and the surrounding country.
LUKE 7:16-17 (NIV)

- The people _____ God. v. 16

Historical Connection: Elijah and Elisha

- The news of Jesus _____. v. 17

- Challenge: Making the connections

God's love and your life...

Jesus: Lord or prophet?