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## OK

# Let's Talk

# What's On Your Mind?

# I. I Must Be At A Crossroads Right Now

## Do I become born-again right now or Should I wait some more?

That's a very good question, a life-changing one. I remember sitting down one day in my apartment and feeling a little empty and unfulfilled. I felt like there was nothing else to life, just the norm like going to school, work, church occasionally, maintaining a relationship, hanging out with friends doing the same thing over and over. Though I was having lots of fun, that day I was feeling different. I started reflecting on my past mistakes (failures) and wondering what on earth I was doing with my life. I would start projects and never finish or go back to them and start another and not finish. At that stage in my life, I just knew I was not pleasing God with my choices. Though I was attending church on Sundays, I was not having any kind of relationship with God. I was attending church for years but did not become born-again. I did not

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receive Jesus as my Lord and Savior. I was deceiving myself thinking I had a relationship with God just because I was attending church and reading a bible which I did not understand at the time. I wanted to understand it but didn't. We did not have all the versions of the bible we have today like the new living translation that a Junior High School child could understand, or at least I didn't know that it existed at the time.

Have you ever heard of the term "ignorance is bliss"? Well, I just knew I had everything under control and figured out. I was lost and didn't even know it. I was deceived and didn't know it. I was selfish in some things I did to others that may have hurt them. Okay it hurt them, but in my defense, I thought I was right at the time. See, blinded by deception, completely in the dark on those things. It's so easy to be blinded about something when you just don't know or take the initiative too. Knowledge truly is power.

Did you know that being saved means born again, receiving salvation?

Did you know that as adults, we are responsible for taking care of our

## physical well-being as well as our spiritual well-being?

Well, I did not know. I didn't know that this could really have a positive impact on the choices I'd make in life and the roads I'd take in life. I didn't know that reading the bible (the word of God) each day feeds your spirit. The word of God is spiritual food for your spirit. Just like you need water every day, you need the word of God. The word of God is wisdom, understanding and light to your soul. I didn't know that not having enough physical rest can affect you spiritually. I also did not know that eating green vegetables and drinking water and exercising regularly helps you spiritually as well as physically too.

As many times as I was going to church, I barely even knew what the word salvation meant. Salvation is defined as being saved, delivered from sin and eternal death. It is a precious gift from God to you. It's the reason why Jesus suffered before and while on the cross. His death was on my behalf and yours.

And after he had appeared in human form, he abased and humbled himself (still further) and carried his obedience

to the extreme of death, even the death of the cross – Philippians 2: 8 AMPC

For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life. God sent his Son into the world not to judge the world, but to save the world through him – John 3: 16, 17 NLT

And who is Jesus? All I remember knowing was, God is love and if you asked me that's what I'd tell you. It's funny looking back, but I really could not even explain to you what that meant. Jesus is our hope. He is the son of the living God. He is my strengthener when temptations come. He is my protector from all harm, all evil. He is my provider who keeps me from lacking anything. He is my way maker who makes ways out of unknown ways for me. Jesus is love. He loves everyone no matter what they look like or where they are from. He is compassionate, calm and full of peace. Jesus is patient and has a sense of humor. Jesus is stern yet very sweet. He wants to give you what your heart desires according to his purpose and plan for your life which is good. The devil, satan, is the one whose plan for your life is destruction of any kind and evil until you are in his chains (in bondage to or addicted to something bad for you) and dead. From the day you are born, the devil starts devising a way to get you on his track, not Gods. See, I didn't know all this before or at least didn't pay attention to it. OK, read this.

And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels,

And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven.

And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.

And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and

the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which

accused them before our God day and night.

And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.

Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabiters of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time.

And when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth, he persecuted the woman which brought forth the man child.

And to the woman were given two wings of a

great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent.

And the serpent cast out of his mouth water as a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away of the flood.

And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up the flood which the dragon cast out of his mouth.

And the dragon was wroth with the woman and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ – Revelation 12: 7-17 KJV

What do you mean the devil? Yes, I had no idea that satan was an angel gone bad in heaven. He was kicked out because of his prideful, vain, selfish ways. He wanted to be God. You're probably saying "What's wrong with that? Well, he wanted to be higher than God and control the kingdom of God himself and everyone on the earth and use them to put forth his evil plans.

The devil tries to get his demons to influence you to do what he wants; not what God wants. It is always the opposite of what God's will is and what he wants for you or where he wants you to be or who he wants you to know, etc. The devil always opposes

the truth and tries to deceive you by adding part of the truth sometimes.

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Bad things that happen to you are never God's fault.

The devil called satan, never wants anything good for you. Thus, there is good vs. evil on this earth. In the first book of the bible, it shows some of the good and peaceful life God set up for us. It's how we were supposed to be living, however, Adam and Eve were deceived and tempted by satan and gave into his plan which made them disobey God. So. You see, we were never meant to give into the temptations of satan and believe his lies. Disobedience, temptation, lies and deception are all demonic spirits. This means these demonic spirits come from the devil. Demons are persuasive. These are just a few demonic spirits that we may come into contact with every day. But don't be dismayed, Jesus was sent by God to help us. Jesus is our hope for the world.

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## <u> Selah Moment</u>

Always remember that God is the one and only true living God and he only wants good to come to you and for you.

God gives us strength to endure and overcome the many deceptions and tricks of the devil. He does it with his unconditional, unfailing love. "Grace to Love: It's a New Day!" is a book written by me that talks about the many tactics of satan, the love of God, and receiving healing. When you receive Jesus as your Lord and Savior, and become born again, the love of God is poured out into you from the Holy Spirit.

Love never gives up, never loses faith, is always hopeful, and endures through every circumstance – 1 Corinthians 13: 7 NLT

Who is the Holy Spirit? The Holy Spirit is a part of Jesus. Jesus calls him his helper. Jesus leaves his helper with you as a gift to lead and guide you and teach you

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all things and show you things to come while he takes care of what God needs him to. He becomes your best friend. He is the Trinity – God the Father, Jesus God's son, and your helper whose small voice you hear telling you to do what is right (the will of God) called the Holy Spirit.

But the comforter (counselor, helper, intercessor, advocate, strengthener, standby), the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name (in my place, to represent me and act on my behalf). He will teach you all things. And he will cause you to recall (will remind you of, bring to your remembrance) everything I have told you - John 14: 26 AMPC

So anyway, there are a lot of things I did not know. At that first crossroad I didn't make the decision to become born again. I had feared that I would not be as happy. I would not be able to party anymore and do what I want to. No more Labor Day parade. No more Miami carnival. I thought I'd be extremely bored.

I began to make more mistakes. There was a longing inside me that I started to ignore. I was curious, but in fear. I wanted something to believe in and turned to the wrong things. I started believing in idols and believing the lies of the devil, just dumb stuff that did not honor God. Still holding onto the things of the world, I began to realize that God wanted me to become born again. I truly believe that you know when God is working on you to get you to come to him (become born again) and that we pretend not to see the signs sometimes because we want to wait until we are ready to come to God, not when he calls us. And so, your crossroads begin to look more and more like four

arrows going in all different directions, but only one road is the right road. Choosing to wait doesn't mean that God will not receive you with open arms. He is a loving God and will take you when you are ready as well. Knowing what I do now, I wish I'd come to Christ sooner.

#### Sooner?

Fear kept me from coming to Christ sooner. Don't let it do the same thing to you.

I remember being in that same church and wanting to give into the spirit, but fear was gripping me. I was afraid of all the people seeing me walk up to the altar and receive Christ. I felt like there were too many people there. Any excuse would have been good. Then one Sunday, my dad suggested I go up there and I went up feeling relaxed. I attended very short classes and was baptized on Halloween some years ago.

Here's what I learned, when you become saved, you are making a commitment to Jesus. The Holy Spirit takes over you. He becomes your built in, personal helper and best friend. The Holy Spirit wants to move and breathe through you and talk through you. This is what it means to submit to God, to yield to the Holy Spirit. God wants your obedience to him. It becomes like second nature after continuing to study and meditate on God's word and praying and confessing and spending one on one time with God. Ask him questions. Talk to God. Take time out to be in silence with God and listen (Be Still). He wants to be your best friend. Tell him about your day even though he already knows what happened. Love

him. He is an awesome best friend like no other and he has all the answers.

Don't beat yourself up if you are not submitting to God right away. You'll get there. You are learning to do this through God. The way you can help is by reading, studying, praying, meditating, and confessing his word daily.

You can find some suggested daily confessions towards the end of this book. The Holy Spirit teaches you many things. As you are learning about yourself through the Holy Spirit, you can pick out the scriptures you need that relate to what

you see in yourself that you may need to work on or how you would like to be. For Example: I would like to stop what I'm doing with my body and save myself for who I'm going to marry one day. You write down or type it and save it on your phone and carry it with you. "My body is the temple of the Holy Spirit and I will honor God with my body. The will of God for me is that I be holy, consecrated, and separated and set apart for God."

So, you would like to stop overeating. Well, stop talking about your glands and speak.

Pray and confess every day. Invite the Holy Spirit in. He is going to speak to you about food. God is here to help you. Change the way you eat by submitting to God. Find out what changes you need to make where eating is concerned. See your nutritionist. Consult your doctor. You may need a referral. Tell him what your plans are to change your eating habits.

#### It's time for healthy living!

Your confession: I submit to God and I resist the devil where eating the foods you don't want me to be concerned. I am strong and mighty in the Lord. I'm God's best. God loves me and I know it and I love him.

## Selah Moment

Everyone has things they need to work on, no matter how big or small.

Do you think you are the only one who has issues? If you do, this is part of self-pity, nobody likes me, all about me- party. Stop it! You have no idea what the person next to you went through. You are wasting time. Ask God to help you overcome this way of thinking and move on. It's time to receive healing from God. You got a good life to get to. Wake up, it's a new day!

What is The Good Life? The Good Life is the way we were meant to be before Adam and Eve ate that fruit in the book of Genesis. It's the path that God wants you on that leads to what you are supposed to be in life, your purpose. Knowing and doing it is where your prosperity begins. You become aware of the talents he's given you and the grace to do what he meant for you to do on this earth. True peace and happiness and joy is there. God knew what you were meant to do before you were even born. Listen to him. Pray about it.

OK, do all your problems go away once you're born again? No, satan tries even harder to get you and keep you off track because you've made the first step to being on the path that God planned for you. Remember, God's path is the right path,

satan wants you on his path which is the wrong path.

In this way, he disarmed the spiritual rulers and authorities. He shamed them publicly by his victory over them on the cross – Colossians 2:15 NLT

Now what? God becomes your Father, and he will help you walk out your victory throughout your battles in life. You've haven't learned it yet, but before Jesus died, he went through battles that you might face in life. He rose from the grave on the third day and all of this symbolizes a great and mighty victory over satan and his tactics for all eternity. When you become born again, you come in agreement with God that you already won the battle you may be in. Christ is in you and you are in Christ. You just walk it out with confidence and trust in God and his word. The day Jesus rose from the grave, satan was stripped of all power. This means you have authority over all the works of the devil. You have authority over all wicked, evil actions. You have authority over all demons, yokes, and chains of satan, not the person. It is a

spiritual battle, not against flesh and blood. These types of demonic spirits stem from principalities, rulers of darkness of this world, powers, and wickedness in high places. Our own flesh is the root of it all. Sometimes we give into the temptations of the devil and begin on a wrong path that takes us so far off course that we don't even know what hit us or how we became some way. Learn to say, "NO" to the temptations of the devil.

**Again, now what?** Put the whole Armor of God on you every day (discussed soon).

Find the right church for you and attend it regularly. It will help you grow spiritually, so make sure you pay attention to the sermons. The Pastors on earth are part of God's help to us. They help by teaching us through the sermons they preach. The least we could do is listen. It is for our own good. Listen to your praise and worship daily. Music and dancing have a way of bringing you joy. We have great Christian music today that you can sing and dance to with great beats and lyrics that honor God and his word. Pray day and night. Meditate on the word day and night. Walk in love and peace. Walk in the spirit every day. This

means you must obey (yield, submit) God in everything, all the time.

A final word: Be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power.

Put on all of God's armor so that you will be able to stand firm against all strategies of the devil.

For we are not fighting against flesh and blood enemies, but against evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, against mighty powers in this dark world, and against evil spirits in the heavenly places.

Therefore, put on every piece of God's armor so you will be able to resist the enemy in the time of evil. Then after the battle you will still be standing firm.

Stand your ground, putting on the belt of truth and the body armor of God's righteousness.

For shoes, put on the peace that comes from the Good News so that you will be fully prepared.

In addition to all of these, hold up the shield of faith to stop the fiery arrows of the devil.

Put on salvation as your helmet, and take the sword of the spirit, which is the word of God.

Pray in the Spirit at all times and on every occasion. Stay alert and be persistent in your prayers for all believers everywhere – Ephesians 6:10-18 NLT

What happens if you don't do these things? Well, there's a great possibility that you will fall prey to temptations of satan and backslide.

**Back what?** Backslide. This is when you purposely start sinning, usually going back to the old wrong ways you had before you became born-again. It is an act of rebellion.

Rebellion is as sinful as witchcraft, and stubbornness as bad as worshipping idols – 1 Samuel 15: 23 NLT I remember doing pretty good in life at the time. I was getting myself together after receiving Jesus as my Lord and Savior. I felt strong in the Lord at the time. Little did I know that, although I felt I was strong in the Lord, satan was still baiting me. Just to let you know, satan tries to bait you 'til the day you die. Temptations started coming my way. Some of my circle had not changed so I still had some of the same associations. This aided a lot in me giving into the temptations. They were not saved and far from ever wanting to. I loved going out to party. I love music, singing and dancing. If it was going on, I was most likely there for several days of the week whether I had to work the same morning or not. Anyway, I would turn down the invitations, except that one time. I decided to go to one, of my own will. It was my decision to give into temptation no matter what I was around or who I still knew. I took a wrong turn that had me on a path to death in different ways. I began making some more dumb mistakes and doing more of the things I used to. I was simply not using wisdom at all and ignoring what God said. I was being wise in my own eyes, just several mistakes. Pride had me thinking I knew what was best for

me and that I got it under control. All the while, continuing to go to church. I remember sitting in the church smelling like smoke from the club I just left. Even when God was speaking to me through his word, I would still choose not to listen or take time out to meditate on it.

Oh, foolish Galatians! Who has cast an evil spell on you? For the meaning of Jesus Christ's death was made as clear to you as if you had seen a picture of his death on the cross.

Let me ask you this one question: Did you receive the Holy Spirit by obeying the law of Moses? Of course not! You received the Spirit because you believed the message you heard about Christ. How foolish can you be? After starting your new lives in the Spirit, why are you now trying to become perfect by your own human efforts? – Galatians 3: 1-3 NLT

God spoke to me through his word and I ignored him, partly because I did not want to receive it. I felt lost, like I knew what I was doing wrong but still kept doing it. I was just going through the motions.

I went through much from my disobedience and did not stop doing what I was doing and giving way to temptation. I would not recommend anyone to backslide. It has a great deception that says to you, "Oh, just one more time won't hurt," but it does. You hurt yourself and others. It's as if satan put his chains on me and told me, "You are staying with me. I'll take care of you. Let me teach you the way I do it."

How did you get back on track with God? I made a decision to stop doing the wrong thing and started doing what God told me to do. I realized that I was not missing anything. The joy I had and the light in me had changed. My countenance was not the same, neither was my joy. There is no joy like the joy from Jesus Christ, knowing he loves you and is always there with you and wants what is best for you. God loves you no matter what mistakes you've made. He will gladly take you as his son or daughter. At that crossroad, I knew it was time to get back to Jesus.

Knowing all this made me never want to backslide again. It was hell just to even realize that "Hey, this is not the right thing to do and I need to stop." It was as if wisdom went out the window and the blinders came on. Time was wasted. Breakthroughs were about to take place for me before I decided to backslide. I was in the city of foolishness. I didn't profit a thing from it. I was mad at myself for giving into temptation and mad at the devil for deceiving me.

How did you get even? I left the devil and went back to God. I repented sincerely (asked God for forgiveness for exactly what I did and/or didn't do). I explained how I should've handled it (say what God's word said). I got delivered from condemnation (feeling guilty about what I'd done and not forgiving myself) and began to put on the armor of God again. Despite the spiritual battles I face, I honestly have never been happier. There is a joy from Jesus that you just can't get from this world. Now, you could not pry me away from Jesus knowing what I know now and who I am in Christ, I love being Christian. It's never a dull moment. God's word is the truth and so interesting to me. God is the word and I know that if I ever need help again, I can always find him there.

It's time to know God for yourself. If you are ready to start and develop a mighty relationship with God, say this prayer out loud:

#### The Prayer of Salvation

Lord, I realize and admit that I am a sinner. Forgive me Father, I repent of all my sins and confess with my mouth and I believe in my heart that God raised Jesus from the dead. Jesus is Lord and the living Son of God.

You are my one and only true God. I want a close relationship with you. Fill me with your love Lord and help me to let your light shine in me every day. Help me to submit to your ways and your will, Holy Spirit. Thank you for saving me this day. I belong to you Jesus, Amen!

You did it! The angels are rejoicing at your decision and God is smiling down on you.

The next step is to be baptized in water (Matthew 3:6) and receive the baptism of the Holy Spirit with the evidence of speaking tongues (Acts 2:3; Acts 8:14-17). Be sure to complete these steps. You won't regret it.

Be sure to read your bible everyday so you can get to know the Holy Spirit who lives on the inside of you. I pray God will guide you to the right church for you if you do not already have one in Jesus' name.

#### II. What Do I Do Now?

Here are some confessions for you to speak out loud every day, for you belong to Jesus now. These are suggestions, so feel free to make your own from the word of God.

#### **Daily Confessions**

I love you Lord. You are my strength. The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my savior.

My God is my rock, in whom I find protection. God is my shield, the power that saves me. I call upon the Lord and I am saved from my enemies. The Lord lives! Blessed be my Rock; and let the God of my salvation be exalted. The Lord is faithful, and he has set me on a firm foundation and keeps me guarded from the evil one. You are the one and only true God.

God is my Father. I love God with all my heart, mind, and soul. I worship and submit to God and resist the devil. I am led and controlled by the Holy Spirit. I wear the whole armor of God on me every day.

Thank you, God, for being my refuge, the God in whom I trust. Thank you for protecting me and providing for me daily. You truly are my way maker, my healer, my deliverer, and my best friend.

I give thanks in all things no matter what the circumstance may be. I do not fret or have any anxiety about anything, but in every circumstance and in everything, by prayer and petition (definite requests), with thanksgiving, I continue to make my wants known to God. Thank you for supplying all

of my needs. You are my provider and source.

I do not possess the spirit of fear, but of power, love, and a sound disciplined mind. I trust in the Lord with all my heart and lean not unto my own understanding. I acknowledge God and consult him about decisions. Great is the peace of me. My heart is fixed in peace, trusting in the Lord.

I study and meditate on God's word day and night (2X a day) that I may observe and do all that is written therein. For then I will make my way prosperous and deal wisely and have good success. God's word is powerful.

Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of God. I walk by faith and not by sight. Faith is the substance of things hoped for and the evidence of things unseen. I believe in God. By the stripes of Jesus, I am healed, whole, delivered and set free in Jesus' name.

God speaks to his people. I am God's sheep and I know his voice. The voice of a stranger I do not hear or follow. I hear God daily and obey him.

I am an imitator of Jesus Christ and his love. I stay rooted and grounded deep in the love of God. Thank you, Lord, that the love of God in me touches all those whom I come into contact with and helps them to open up their heart to you. I am full of the joy of the Lord.

Love is patient and kind. Love is not jealous or boastful or proud or rude. It does not demand its own way. It is not irritable, and it keeps no record of being wronged. It does not rejoice about injustice but rejoices whenever the truth wins out.

Love never gives up, never loses faith, is always hopeful, and endures through every circumstance (1 Corinthians 13:1-8 New Living Translation).

I have the same humble mind, heart, and attitude just like Christ Jesus. I have the mind of Christ. My thoughts have become agreeable to God's will for me, for he knows the thoughts and plans that he has for me. They are thoughts of good not evil to give me an expected end.

I set my affections on the things above, not the things of this earth. I fix my mind, thoughts, and heart on what's right, true, positive, excellent, lovely, worthy of good praise and report. I speak the word of God to cast down wrong thoughts and false imaginations promptly.

I let no foul polluting language proceed out of my mouth. God, let everything I say be good and helpful so that my words will be an encouragement to those who hear them. Set a watch guard before the door of my lips, Lord.

My body is the temple of the Holy Spirit. I honor God with my body and practice self-control and respect. I respect the body of others. I walk in the spirit and do not fulfill the lusts of the flesh.

I am not ignorant of the devils' devices, for one of his biggest tricks is lies and deception. Thy word is truth and truth is my shield and buckler. The spirit of truth which is the Holy Spirit lives on the inside of me and leads and guides me into all truth. I am anointed and appointed by the Holy One and I know the truth.

Thank you, God, for giving me complete knowledge of your will for me so that I will know what the call of God for my life is.

Thank you, God, for giving me spiritual wisdom and understanding.

Thank you, Holy Spirit, for showing me the right path O Lord and pointing out the road for me to follow and leading and guiding me in your truth and faithfulness always in Jesus' name.

#### **Covenant Promises with God**

These are some of the covenants you have with God. You will discover much more in the bible. So, remember to stay in faith. The kingdom of God works through and by faith and love. These can be used as daily confessions also. Personalize it by putting your name in it. Here, I got it started for you. There are many more promises in the bible besides these below.

**Deliverance** – For he has rescued us and has drawn us to himself from the dominion of darkness and has transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son. – Colossians 1:13 AMPC

**Holy** – For this is the will of God, that you should be consecrated (separated and set apart for pure and holy living) that you

should abstain and shrink from all sexual vice, that each one of you should know how to possess (control, manage) his own body in consecration (purity, separated from things profane) and honor – 1
Thessalonians 4: 3-4 AMPC

**Truth -** But you have been anointed by (you hold a sacred appointment from, you have been given and unction from) the Holy One, and you all know (the truth) or you know all things – 1 John 2:20 AMPC

**Authority** Joy

**Blessings** Justice

**Dominion** Love

Faith Longevity

Favor Peace

Forgiveness Power

Freedom Prayer

Grace Praise

Healing Presence

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Holy Spirit Property

Increase Prosperity

**Purity** 

Redemption

Restoration

Salvation

Seed

Strength

**Submission** 

**Success** 

**Prayer** 

**Victory** 

Wealth

**Wisdom** 

There are more covenant promises as well.

#### Purpose?

If you should ever feel like you don't know what your purpose is as a Christian, just read this below. If you should ever backslide or are tempted to backslide (get caught up in the old habits and ways of thinking), just read this below. When the enemy lies to you about this, you will remember that the devil doesn't like you or me and he is happy when you are off God's path. Then you will remember that:

God wants you to walk in the spirit of God so that you will not give into the temptations of the devil. He needs you to carry the whole armor of God on you every day. You can only do this with the help of the Holy Spirit. Be conscious of your relationship with God and your character. Study to be an imitator of Jesus Christ and his love. Pray and confess daily. Meditate on God's word day and night. Spend quiet one on one time with God listening to him and talking to him. Thank God daily. Praise and worship him daily. Listen to the sermons from your Pastor. Examine your heart. This means be careful how you treat people. Respect people and their things. You can disagree with someone and still be respectful. Obey God.

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# Now, say this prayer and if you need to repent about anything, do so first and be genuine about it:

God, I repent. Help me not to do this again. Create in me a clean heart and renew a right preserving spirit in me. Search me thoroughly O God and know my heart. Try me and know my thoughts. Point out anything in me that offends you, if there is any wicked or hurtful way in me and lead me in the way of everlasting. Thank you, Jesus.

Now go back to the page that reads," <u>Daily Confessions</u>" and say it out loud with confidence (that God forgives and still loves you). Remember, God still loves you, does not mean go out and sin some more. It means you are my son or daughter. I am your Father. I love you. Get back on track with me. I will help you.

But be doers of the Word (obey the message), and not merely listeners to it, betraying yourselves (into deception by reasoning contrary to the Truth) – James 1:22 AMPC

Don't ever forget my son or daughter, that God is the truth. God's word is the truth. I am the Word of God. If you're looking for me, I'm right here. Keep my word in your heart. You will always find me there. Remember that I am always with you.

## Welcome to Who You Are

For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only *use* not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another - Galatians 5:13 KJV

Sometimes people get an understanding of what grace is and the freedom we have in Christ and the devil tricks them into thinking it's okay to sin. They say, "I will just repent later." Well, that is not how it works. If we all thought this way after being saved, what would the point of Jesus going through all of that suffering for us be for? He was beaten, spit on, tortured and nailed to the cross and left for dead. It would have been in vain. Jesus' dying on the cross was not in vain.

We can honor him after being saved by doing what his word says to do, by obeying him.

In this scripture above, it clearly tells you not to give into your flesh, for it will lead you back to satan. There's no profit in the flesh. Once you are saved, you become a representative of Jesus Christ.

## Again, Welcome!

You are a citizen of the kingdom of God. Congratulations!!! Your covenant promises list is below. Do not fear, you will learn more about these things in church and throughout your walk with Christ. Here are a few suggestions (everything suggested to do in this entire book is optional: Always choose what God may suggest first)

Study the book of Ephesians until you understand it and believe it. It tells you a lot about who you are in Christ.

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Read the book of Proverbs, one chapter daily. This is a book of wisdom and will help you greatly in life.

Read the book of John. It will teach who Jesus is.

Memorize Psalms 23 and Psalms 91.

Are you considering tithing? No, this is not a membership. Tithing, for those employed, is giving a tenth of your income to the church you attend. You can give the church money also besides regular tithing, any amount, anytime. This is all your willingness to give, not by force. The covenant you have with God is that you give without grudges unto God with the right motives, because you love God and genuinely want to help others. No one forces you or asks for your W2's or any other financial forms for this. The devil is a liar and has been lying for years about this. Those kinds of things go against God's will, so if anyone is doing that just know that it is the wrong thing to do. You can become a tither and/or partner with a church/ministry if you want. God doesn't say you have to do this. But if you do, you will help the finances of the church, you will help the

outreach ministries that go into the immediate communities and the global ministries. These churches must pay for being on TV, back to school events, free bibles, shipping food to countries, building shelters and homes in the countries that God put on their heart to, coat drives, etc. Sometimes the ministers, staff, and/or volunteers work overtime by taking time out to talk to married couples, parents, or those who lose loved ones (without complaint) and have families of their own to get to. They are sometimes surprised with a monetary blessing for it from the church as per the Lord just to show their gratitude. By giving, you are helping someone be blessed. It helps somebody, help somebody, no matter what their age is. You are helping them experience the love of God. You are also blessed for your giving, but again, give with the right motives. Giving is an act of love.

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Your church will teach you about giving, not condemn you for not doing it.

Play, dance, and/or sing to the Lord every day. There are many Christian songs now of different types of music. There are great lists on YouTube and iPhone. It may be old songs by the time you get to it, but it's okay. Christian songs never get old. We play our songs anytime and any kind and love hearing a favorite tune. The spirit of God can move you to play Christian songs from way back and that's never a problem. Sometimes God is trying to get a message to us or encourage us or simply just want us to have fun singing, dancing, and praising him. I picked out some CD's, at least three and I would consistently play them over and over during the day, just for fun or worship and praise or just to play music and keep Jesus on my mind. Looking back, it helped me a great deal. Make sure the lyrics edify you and honor God and his word, not all Christian music does. I love music. I have such a good time picking out just the right

songs that I like. Try it. You'll be surprised what fun you have doing it.

Here are some examples of Christian artists in case you don't know of any yet: Hillsong, Elevation Worship, CeCe Winans, Yolanda Adams, William Murphy, William McDowell, Covenant Worship, All Sons and Daughters, Ben Tankard, Candi LaFlora, Donnie McClurkin, Pucchi Colon, Christafari, Todd Dulaney, Canton Jones and more. You can type "Christian Contemporary, Gospel, Christian Jazz, Christian Christmas Jazz, Christian Country, Christian Latin music" etc. in the search section. There are Christian songs from different countries in different languages. Enjoy Jesus!

Okay are you bored? Don't worry I got something for you to do. You see those confessions of faith that you are now confessing daily? Type a sentence in search mode on your computer and write down the scripture from the bible that matches it. Then meditate on it. I usually compare the other versions to the King

James Version. This means look up the scripture in many versions and compare it, reread it, memorize it, and study it for as long as you need to. Sometimes I'm on one scripture for 10 minutes, sometimes an hour or over. How long is between you and the Holy Spirit, the important thing is did you get any light or understanding from it. What you understand, the devil cannot steal from you. Doing this also increases your faith and strengthens you. I love the revelation that comes from a scripture each time you read it. Okay now, have fun!!

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Do you know that you can meditate on the same scripture as long as you need to and really get fresh revelation from that same scripture, and then again some more, for years to come?

**Uh, one more thing.** Those covenant promises, I took the liberty of starting you off with three. For the rest of them, look them up on your google search engine. You

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have many covenant promises. This is God showing you how much he loves you again, through his promises. Make your list, for you will be utilizing it throughout your spiritual walk with God.

**Note:** Some of these have more than one category, so be careful to read the scriptures for the different areas of promise.

**For Example:** authority in church, with spouse, as a parent, job, as a Christian, etc. are a few.

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As a Christian, there is no such thing as "There is nothing to do" or "I'm bored." Ha, Ha, Ha

### III. Here We Go Again

What did you say? You think you will not have control of your life anymore or your decisions?

Here we are at those crossroads again, Do I become born again or put it off for a later date again?

The whole point of being saved is so that you can give Jesus the control and not satan. The Holy Spirit will now control you and govern your choices so that you will make right decisions in life. God becomes your refuge and best friend. Just remember, you have free will. You can still make decisions just make sure they line up with what God wants for you. Sometimes we want things that are not in God's will for us to have or have yet. Consult God for all your decisions and talk to him every day.

For Example: Sometimes we want a job that is not in God's will for us to have yet or ever. Sometimes we want a spouse that does not belong to us. Hello, he is already taken. Stop.

Here we go again. You think your friends are going to abandon you? The truth is that some might leave, but usually it is the one God needs you to separate from because it will interfere with your concentration on God. It does not mean the person is bad to

the bone or something. It means that it is not in God's plan for neither of you to continue a friendship/relationship with one another. One day they will understand. You think you will have to make a choice between whether or not you can be friends with them anymore? If they are your real friends, they will respect what you have become and support you. If they cannot support you, they will not try to influence you to behave the same old way and not hold a grudge about it or resent you. Friends want what is best for you.

So, are we ready to have a relationship with an awesome God?

Here we go again. You had some bad experiences before at church and you think all churches and people are the same. Well, thank God that they are not all the same. You must find the church that is right for you. Trust God. Pray about what church to attend and meeting the right people there. Don't forget to talk to God about forgiveness too.

Here we go again. You're saying, "Well, I read the bible at home and I go to church.

I already have an awesome relationship with the Father." No, you do not. You had no idea about all these covenants and how it's an agreement that God has with those who have chosen to become born again. These people took the first step in receiving God as their Lord and Savior with boldness and joy. Jesus is who they live for. You know what? Go back and read those covenants again.

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Keep attending church and reading the bible until you've made the decision to become born again.

After all, some of you grew up doing these things because you were taught by a parent or guardian. You were taught to respect people and their things. You were taught to give your seat to the elderly or pregnant lady. You were taught to say your prayers before bed and to say grace (bless your food before eating). Hey, I said some

people. I remember going to church on Sundays and waiting for service to be over because a special Sunday dinner was going to be eaten and dessert. I remember church music playing that morning or during the day. I was not a Christian yet.

#### Ready?

Here we go again. So, what is holding you up from making this decision? I know.

You think you won't be able to do the same things you do now. Well of course not, that's the point. To partake in this grace that's been made available for you so you can access the promises of God by faith which you have just read. The choice is yours.

You know, before I became born-again, I still went on my knees and bowed down to God and prayed to him. I prayed the Lord's

prayer and blessed people after every night.

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from the evil one.

God bless \_\_\_\_, \_\_\_, \_\_\_Amen.

Psalm 23 is a prayer of peace.

Psalm 91 is a prayer of protection.

Keep respecting people and their things. Remember, this is something your parents, grandparents, guardian, or teacher taught you first. Read the book of Jonah and maybe a chapter of the book of Proverbs every day until you've made the decision to commit your life to Jesus. You become born again by saying the prayer of salvation and believing what you are confessing from this prayer. You get baptized. **Then**, you've entered a covenant with God and all his covenant promises are yours. You become a citizen of the kingdom of God. God becomes your Father. You become a Christian who lives out the role of one in faith with God's word and a personal relationship with the Holy Spirit.

God is ready for you. Are you ready for him?

It's time to know God for yourself. If you are ready to start and develop a mighty relationship with God, say this prayer out loud:

#### **The Prayer of Salvation**

Lord, I realize and admit that I am a sinner. Forgive me Father, I repent of all

my sins known and unknown. I confess with my mouth and I believe in my heart that God raised Jesus from the dead. Jesus is Lord and the living Son of God.

You are my one and only true God. I want a close relationship with you. Fill me with your love Lord and help me to let your light shine in me every day. Help me to submit to your ways and your will, Holy Spirit. Thank you for saving me this day. I belong to you Jesus, Amen!

The angels are rejoicing at your decision and God is smiling down on you.

The next step is to be baptized in water (Matthew 3:6) and receive the baptism of the Holy Spirit with the evidence of speaking tongues (Acts 2:3; Acts 8:14-17). Be sure to complete these steps. You won't regret it.

Be sure to read your bible everyday so you can get to know the Holy Spirit who lives on the inside of you. I pray God will guide you to the right church for you if you do not already have one in Jesus name.

#### **OTHER BOOKS**

Grace To Love: It's a New Day!

Grace To Love: It's a New Day! Workbook

Let Your Light So Shine: Live a Life of Love

Let Your Light So Shine Workbook

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