

The bible makes it clear we are all in need of saving, and we are unable to save ourselves. Because God loves us deeply, he has dealt with the problem of sin by sending his Son Jesus to live a perfect life and to offer himself in our place.

*“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.” (Jn 3:16)*

**Repentance and faith are our essential responses to God’s gracious actions.**

## PASSAGES FOR REFLECTION

**Ro 3:23, 6:23**

**Ps 51**

**Lk 15:11-32**

**1 Jn 1:8-9**

**Ro 10:9**

## REFLECTIVE EXERCISE

*When you pause and reflect, can you identify a sense deep down that you are in need of saving?*

*What would a change of mind, heart and will look like for you?*

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**Do you need to trust that God has forgiven and saved you because of what Jesus did on your behalf? If you are ready to do this, pray this prayer:**

*Lord Jesus, thank you that you love me, thank you that you came and died for me, and that you rose from the dead. I believe you are the son of God, and today I receive you into my life. I'm sorry for living without you, and for sinning against you. Please forgive me. I accept your offer of salvation, and thank you for the gift of eternal life. Fill me with faith and with your Holy Spirit, that I would now live for you, and follow you with all of my heart. **Amen***

**If you've prayed this prayer, we'd love to celebrate with you and help you grow. Let us know by clicking on the link below.**

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