

What We Believe

ABOUT HOW TO BECOME A CHRISTIAN

1. One Must Believe that Salvation is by Grace through the Blood of Jesus Christ

- Romans 3:21-25
 - Righteousness that comes from God comes through _____ in Jesus.
 - Believers are justified freely by God's _____ through the _____ that comes through _____.
 - God offered Jesus as a _____ of _____.
- Ephesians 2:8 – it is *by Grace through Faith* that people are saved.

2. One Must Believe in Jesus Christ

- John 1:12 – In order to _____ Jesus, you must _____ in him.
 - You must believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.
- John 3:16 is a broad statement of the place of faith in having eternal life.
- Romans 3:25 – it is through faith in his _____.

3. One Must Confess Faith in Jesus Christ

- Romans 10: 9 – if you confess that Jesus is _____ and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.
- Matthew 16:16, Peter confessed, “*You are the _____, the _____ of the Living God.*”
- 2 Corinthians 9:13 – The Corinthians confessed that they believed to good news.
- **Q** – Why do you think confession is included as a part of what people must do to become Christians?

4. One Must Repent of Sins

- Repentance means *to change one's thinking* but implies changing behavior as well. It means *to change any or all of the elements: attitudes, beliefs, and behaviors.*
- Acts 3:19 – Repent and _____ to _____ so your sins may be wiped out.
- Acts 17:29-31. Idol worshipping Athenians had to reorder their _____.
 - Once you see the truth that God raised Jesus from the dead, *your worldview must change.*
- 1 Thessalonians 1:9. The Thessalonians turned to _____ from _____.
- **Q** – Why do you think repentance is required by God to be saved?

5. One Must be Baptized

- Acts 2:37-38, 41

- When the people were convicted by Peter's message about Jesus, they asked what to do. Peter told them to _____ and be _____.
- The purpose was for the _____ of sins.

- Acts 8:34-39

- Philip told the Eunuch the _____ about _____.
- Once the Eunuch heard the good news, he saw water and asked, *Why shouldn't I be baptized?*
- Once the Eunuch was baptized, he went on his way rejoicing.

- Romans 6:1-4. When you are baptized, you are baptized into his death, burial, and resurrection. Your New Life in Christ begins after your baptism.

- **Q** – Why do you think God would include baptism as part of conversion to Christ?