

The Christian Salvation Bridge

This illustration shows how a person becomes a Christian (is saved) and what happens next.

PEOPLE WITHOUT JESUS (Not yet saved)

People who do not know Jesus as Savior are spiritually separated from God because of sin. They cannot reach God on their own.

Sin's Reality

All have sinned and fall short of God's glory.
Romans 3:23

Sin's Penalty

The wage of sin is death (separation from God).
Romans 6:23

Sin's Result

Apart from God we face judgment and eternity without Him.
Hebrews 9:27

JESUS CHRIST

Bridges the gap between us and God by doing what we couldn't do ourselves.

Jesus died for us.
Romans 5:8

He forgives our sins.
Ephesians 1:7

He did what we couldn't do.
Ephesians 2:8-9

PEOPLE WITH JESUS (Saved)

When a person repents of their sin and believes in Jesus, they are forgiven, made right with God, and given eternal life with Him.

Required Response

Repent and believe in Jesus.
Acts 20:21

Forgiven and Made Right with God

Your sins are forgiven.
Ephesians 1:7

Assurance of Salvation

You can know you have eternal life with God.
1 John 5:11-13

What to Do Next (If You Have Become a Christian)

After you have put your faith in Jesus and are saved, there are two important things to do:

1. Live like a saved person.

Let your new life with Jesus be shown in the way you think, speak, and act.

Philippians 1:27

2. Learn how to do that in the Bible.

Read and study God's Word to learn how to live for Jesus and grow in your faith.

2 Timothy 3:16-17