

Welcome To
Celebrate Recovery
"Turn"

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A. Introduction

B. "T" stands for "TRUST".

1. Jesus' deity and humanity.

"In the beginning the **Word already existed**. He was with God and **He was God**. He was in the beginning with God. **He created everything** there is. Nothing exists that He didn't make." John 1:1-3

"So the **Word became human** and lived here on earth among us. He was full of unfailing love and faithfulness. And we have seen his glory, the glory of the only Son of the Father." John 1:14

5 truths about Jesus.

- Jesus was God in the beginning (He is still God).
- He is called the Word (He communicated God's truth).
- He has always existed (He is eternal).
- He created everything (He is all powerful).
- He became a man.

2. Jesus is Redeemer

"The law of Moses (God's rules) was unable to save us because of the weakness of our sinful nature. So God did what the law could not do (God is just). He sent his own Son in a body like the bodies we sinners have. And in that body God declared an end to sin's control (punishment in hell) over us by giving his Son as a sacrifice for our sins. Romans 8:3

5 truths about us.

- We are sinners -- we regularly break God's rules.
- We sin because we have a sin nature.
- The penalty for each sin we commit is hell.
- The penalty has to be paid, because God is just.
- Jesus paid our penalty for us when He sacrificed Himself on the cross.

3. Jesus is Lord.

"Therefore, God elevated him (after redeeming us) to the place of highest honor (God put Him in charge) and gave him the name above all other names, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow (everybody must submit to Him), in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father." Philippians 2:9-11

5 truths about lordship

- After redeeming us Jesus went back to heaven.
- God elevated Him to the place of highest honor.
- That means He is in charge of heaven and earth.
- Everybody must submit to Him.
- That means He is Lord.

Prayer

Lord, I just read some passages about Jesus. I understand that You supply the faith I need to believe them. I ask You to give me that faith. I also ask You to fan that faith into a huge flame. In Jesus name I pray. Amen

C. "U" stands for "UNDERSTAND".

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding. Seek his will in all you do, and he will direct your paths." Proverbs 3:5-6

Prayer

Lord Jesus, I am going to my job this morning. This is a job that You provided and I am grateful. You tell me in Proverbs 3:5-6 to trust You. I want to do that today, so I ask You to use me in this job for Your purposes. Use me any way You see fit. I am open and available. I ask You to direct my paths, because You say You will. In Your name I pray, Amen.

D. "R" stands for "REPENT".

"But you must not forget, dear friends, that a day is like a thousand years to the Lord, and a thousand years is like a day. The Lord isn't really being slow about his promise to return, as some people think. No, he is being patient for your sake. He does not want anyone to perish, so he is giving more time for everyone to repent".
2 Peter 3:8-9

4 Steps to repentance.

- The first step is to agree we are sinners.
- The second step is to agree we owe penalties for our sins -- which Jesus paid for us.
- The third step is to understand that God offers to forgive us.
- The fourth step is to accept His offer AND ask Him to take charge of our lives.

"He has removed our rebellious acts as far away from us as the east is from the west." Psalm 103:12

"I - yes, I alone - am the one who blots out your sins for my own sake and will never think of them again." Isaiah 43:25

E. "N" stands for "NEW LIFE".

"What this means is that those who become Christians become new persons. They are not the same anymore, for the old life is gone. A new life has begun!"
2 Corinthians 5:17

The first Change -- God breaks the control of our sin nature.

"Our old sinful selves were crucified with Christ so that sin might lose its power in our lives. We are no longer slaves to sin. For when we died with Christ (when we became Christians) we were SET FREE FROM THE POWER OF SIN". Romans 6:5-7

The second change -- God us the Holy Spirit.

"The Spirit of God, who raised Jesus from the dead, lives in you." Romans 8:11

Prayer

"Lord Jesus, we submit to your authority. YOU ARE LORD. We are sinners, and we owe a debt for our sin that we cannot pay ourselves, except in hell. We know you paid this debt when You took our punishment on the cross. You are now offering to forgive us completely and remove all our sins. We accept Your offer, and we ask You to come into our lives and take control. Please make us like You. We pray this in Jesus' Name. Amen".