

FIRST STEPS



WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO SAY “YES” TO JESUS

1. DID YOU KNOW YOU ARE A PART OF GOD’S BIGGER STORY?

God loved you before you were even born. He loves you right now. But there is something that separates us from Him and keeps us apart from God’s Big Story. It’s called sin. It’s the stuff we do wrong. Because God is perfect, there is no way we can get into God’s story on our own, but because God loved us, He made a way for all of us to have a part in His Big Story. The sin problem has a BIG solution! God has a GREAT rescue plan!

QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER:

- What is sin?
- Have you ever sinned?

2. GOD GAVE US A HERO!

God gave the most important, valuable, and perfect thing He had for you. He knew that our sin would keep us out of His Story forever. We’re apart from God and would stay that way but because God loved us, He gave us His Son to fix that relationship forever. Jesus came to make a way for us. And Jesus gave up His life on the cross to pay a price we can never pay for our sin. That is BIG love!

QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER:

- What did God give us?
- Why did God give us this gift?

3. WE CAN BELIEVE THAT JESUS MADE A WAY FOR US!

When you receive a gift, what do you do? You open it! God said you can open His gift to you by believing. Believing simply means to trust. It’s a lot like sitting in a chair. When you sit in a chair, you put all your weight in it. You trust that it will hold you up. That’s what it’s like to believe in or trust in this gift. To open the gift that God gave you, you trust Jesus with your whole life and rests in the fact that He died for you.

QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER:

- How can you take part in God’s Big Story?
- What does it mean to trust in something?
- How do you know God loves you?

4. GOD WANTS TO BE YOUR FRIEND FOREVER.

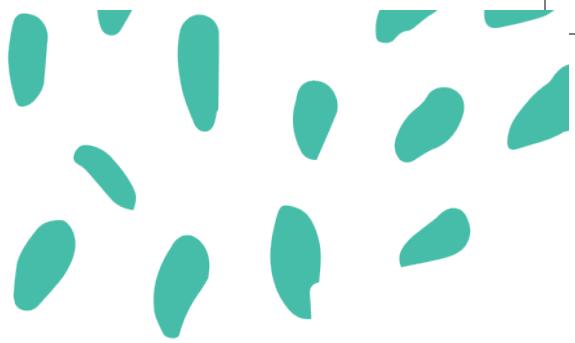
John 3:16 tells us that we receive eternal life. That means we get to spend forever and ever with God in a place that He made perfect. Once we believe, there is nothing we can do to take that love away. God wants to be your friend forever.

QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER:

- What happens when you believe in Jesus?
- What are some differences in God’s story and all other stories?
- What will being a part of God’s Big Story mean for you?



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NOW WHAT?

You can use the following prayer with your child as you lead him or her to trust in Christ. Prayer is simply a way of expressing our trust in Christ for all He has done for us.

"Dear Heavenly Father, I know I am a sinner. I know my sin should separate me from You forever. I believe Your Son, Jesus, died for my sin. I accept His death as payment for my sin. Thank You for loving me and for giving the gift of Jesus so I could be with You in Heaven. Come into my life and be my Savior and friend. In Jesus' Name, Amen."

DID YOU KNOW?

If you have never trusted in Christ as your Savior, or you are not sure if you have, why not settle the question for yourself as well as for your child?

WHAT IS BAPTISM?

At Cross Point, we believe baptism is an outward act of obedience for an inward personal decision to trust in Jesus. Jesus set the first example of baptism over 2,000 years ago! Baptism reminds all believers of the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ. When we go under the water and come back up, we are reminded that we are given a new life in Christ!

SIGN UP FOR FIRST STEPS!

In Cross Point Kids, we understand the challenges faith conversations can bring, and we want to help! Our First Steps experience is specifically designed for the elementary-aged kid and their parent to hear more about how to begin a relationship with Jesus, why baptism is important and if your child is ready for these faith steps.

If your family is beginning to have these faith conversations and you'd like someone to partner with you in the journey, go to crosspoint.tv/kidsfirststeps to sign up for the next First Steps experience.

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