

## THE “GOOD NEWS”--THE GOSPEL OF SALVATION



The Bible tells us that you and I were born into the world a lawbreaker, alienated from God... we are far from perfect. God’s law says that all sin demands the death penalty... and so not only do we die physically but we face something the Bible calls the “second death”—an entire eternity of suffering in the Lake of Fire. Since we are sinners, there is no way we can avoid this death... we are helpless!

Jesus, God himself, came to this earth to live as a man... he was perfect—sinless. Because he had no sin of his own to die for, he could die for someone else’s sin. In his love, he died in our place—taking the consequences of each of our sins on himself. As evidenced by Jesus’ resurrection, God accepted Jesus’ death as an overwhelmingly sufficient payment for yours and my sin—a fulfillment of the requirement of God’s holy law.

Our response is to receive Christ’s live giving death and resurrection as our own; through the gift of faith from the Son of God who loved us and gave himself for us.<sup>i</sup>

**Confess with your mouth and be saved...** I believe that when Jesus died on the cross, he died in my place for my sins and the sin of the world. I rest in the fact that he alone has saved me from the judgment on my sin. In Him, my resurrected Savior, I now have a perfection that is not my own, but is counted as mine because I trust Him. Because of what Christ has done I know that I will enjoy life with God both now and forever in heaven... *For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.*<sup>ii</sup>



### APOSTLES CREED for Christian Faith

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy universal church;  
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. AMEN

**When Christ who is your life appears you also will appear with him in glory.** Colossians 3:4

<sup>i</sup> Galatians 2:20

<sup>ii</sup> Romans 6:23