



THE LIFE OF CHRIST

WORDS FROM THE CROSS

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Teacher, Prophet, Priest, King
Lion of Judah and the Lamb of God
Jesus is Savior

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Redeemed us by His sacrifice Restored us by His sacrifice
Adopted us by His sacrifice Intercedes us by His sacrifice
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FORGIVENESS

Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing. Luke 23:34

Do you remember the last words of Stephen?

As they stoned him, Stephen prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." ⁶⁰ He fell to his knees, shouting, "Lord, don't charge them with this sin!" And with that, he died. Acts 7:59

Remember how Jesus taught us to pray?

Forgive us our sins, as we have forgiven those who sin against us. Matthew 6:12

SALVATION

Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise. Luke 23:43

He was handed over to die because of our sins, and he was raised to life to make us right with God. Romans 4:25

I passed on to you what was most important and what had also been passed on to me. Christ died for our sins, just as the Scriptures said. 1 Corinthians 15:3

Christ suffered for our sins once for all time. He never sinned, but he died for sinners to bring you safely home to God. He suffered physical death, but he was raised to life in the Spirit. 1 Peter 3:18

RELATIONSHIP

Woman, here is your son. John 19:26

An angel of the Lord appeared to **JOSEPH** in a dream. The angel said, “*Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife. For the child within her was conceived by the Holy Spirit. ²¹ And she will have a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.*” Matthew 1:20

God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a village in Galilee, ²⁷ to a virgin named **MARY**. ²⁸ Gabriel appeared to her and said, “Greetings, favored woman! The Lord is with you! ³⁰ “*Don’t be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God! ³¹ You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you will name him Jesus. ³² He will be very great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his ancestor David. ³³ And he will reign over Israel forever; his Kingdom will never end!”* Luke 1:26

FORSAKEN

Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani? Matthew 27:46, Mark 15:34, Psalms 22:1

1. Because He was abandoned socially, we become children of God.
2. Because He was deserted, we become born again — in the image of God.
3. Because He suffered separation, we are united to God.
4. Because He was forsaken, we are forgiven.

DISTRESS

I am thirsty. John 19:28

Jesus, tired from the long walk, sat wearily beside Jacob’s well about noontime. ⁷ Soon a Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, “*Please give me a drink.*” John 4:6

Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted there by the devil. ² For forty days and forty nights he fasted and became hungry. Matthew 4:1

TRIUMPH

It is finished. John 19:30

Jesus knew that his mission was now finished, and he said, “*It is finished!*” Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit. John 19:28

REUNION

Father, into your hands I commit my spirit. Luke 23:46. Psalms 31:5

He is so rich in kindness and grace that he purchased our freedom with the blood of his Son and forgave our sins. Ephesians 1:7

He gives us power over sin

⁷ For when we died with Christ we were set free from the power of sin. ⁸ And since we died with Christ, we know we will also live with him. ⁹ We are sure of this because Christ was raised from the dead, and he will never die again. Death no longer has any power over him. ¹⁰ When he died, he died once to break the power of sin. But now that he lives, he lives for the glory of God. ¹¹ So you also should consider yourselves to be dead to the power of sin and alive to God through Christ Jesus. Romans 6:7