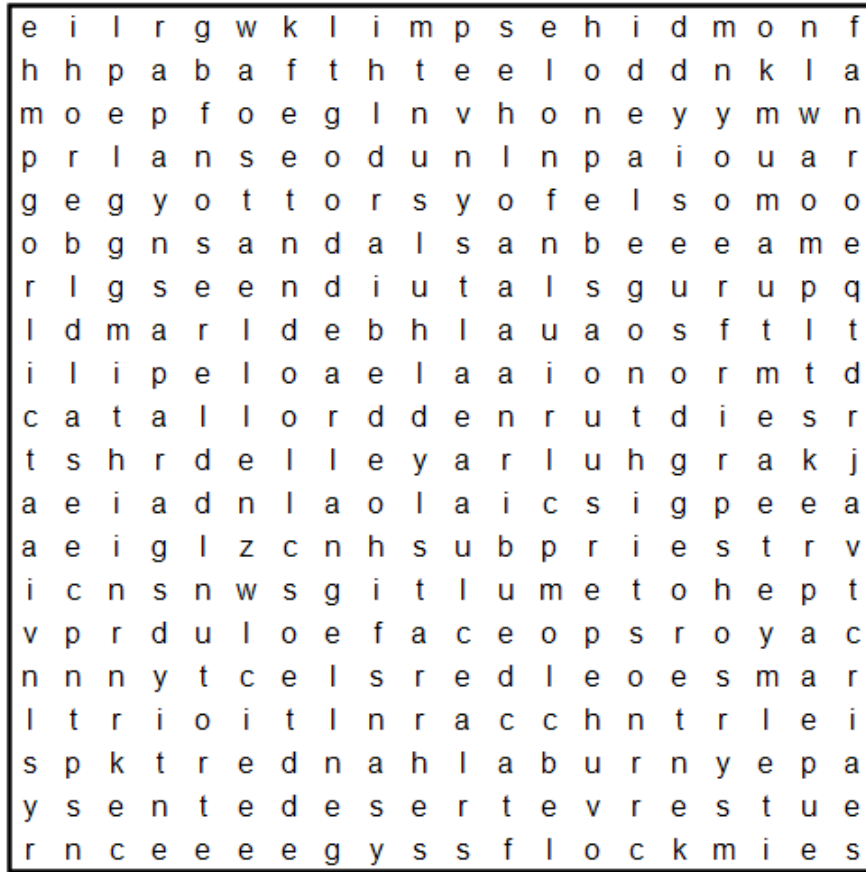


“Knowing the Father: God is Self-Existent”

May 29,2022



See if you can find the **BOLD** and UNDERLINED WORDS!

Exodus 3: 1-16 ¹Now **Moses** was tending the **flock** of **Jethro** his father-in-law, the **priest** of Midian. And he led the flock to the back of the **desert**, and came to **Horeb**, the mountain of God. ²And the **Angel** of the **Lord** appeared to him in a flame of fire from the midst of a bush. So he looked, and behold, the bush was burning with fire, but the bush was not consumed. ³Then Moses said, “I will now turn aside and see this great sight, why the **bush** does not **burn**.” ⁴So when the Lord saw that he **turned** aside to look, God called to him from the midst of the bush and said, “Moses, Moses!” And he said, “Here I am.” ⁵Then He said, “Do not draw near this place. Take your **sandals** off your **feet**, for the place where you stand is **holy** ground.” ⁶Moreover He said, “I am the God of your **father**—the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.” And Moses **hid** his **face**, for he was afraid to look upon God. ⁷And the Lord said: “I have surely seen the oppression of My **people** who are in Egypt, and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters, for I know their sorrows. ⁸So I have come down to deliver them out of the **hand** of the Egyptians, and to bring them up from that **land** to a good and large land, to a land flowing with **milk** and **honey**, to the place of the Canaanites and the Hittites and the Amorites and the Perizzites and the Hivites and the Jebusites. ⁹Now therefore, behold, the **cry** of the children of Israel has come to Me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. ¹⁰Come now, therefore, and I will **send** you to Pharaoh that you may bring My people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt.” ¹¹But Moses said to God, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and that I should bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?” ¹²So He said, “I will certainly be with you. And this shall be a **sign** to you that I have sent you: When you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall **serve** God on this mountain.” ¹³Then Moses said to God, “Indeed, when I come to the children of Israel and say to them, ‘The God of your fathers has sent me to you,’ and they say to me, ‘What is His **name**?’ what shall I say to them?” ¹⁴And God said to Moses, “I AM WHO I AM.” And He said, “Thus you shall say to the children of Israel, ‘I AM has sent me to you.’” ¹⁵Moreover God said to Moses, “Thus you shall say to the children of Israel: ‘The Lord God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has **sent** me to you. This is My name forever, and this is My memorial to all generations.’ ¹⁶Go and gather the **elders** of Israel together, and say to them, ‘The Lord God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, appeared to me, saying, “I have surely visited you and **seen** what is done to you in Egypt;” (NKJV)

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Exodus 3:1-16

“Knowing Your Father – God is Self-existent”

I. Where did everything come from?

There are three possible explanations for everything that exists:

1. It is self-created
2. It was created by something else
3. It is eternal

The law of causality says, “Every change in nature is produced by some cause” (Merriam-Webster)

God is the uncaused cause, the eternal uncreated creator.

1. **Scripture is the proper place to begin if we want to know God.**
2. **Our conceptions of God are limited and fall short of reality.**
3. **God has used anthropomorphisms (described Himself with human attributes), but He is spirit.**

II. The Bible describes God as self-existent.

13 Then Moses said to God, "Indeed, [when] I come to the children of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they say to me, 'What [is] His name?' what shall I say to them?" 14 And God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." And He said, "Thus you shall say to the children of Israel, 'I AM has sent me to you.' " 15 Moreover God said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the children of Israel: 'The LORD God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you. This [is] My name forever, and this [is] My memorial to all generations.' " - **Exodus 3:13-15 NKJV**

8 But they are altogether dull-hearted and foolish; A wooden idol [is] a worthless doctrine. 9 Silver is beaten into plates; It is brought

from Tarshish, And gold from Uphaz, The work of the craftsman And of the hands of the metalsmith; Blue and purple [are] their clothing; They [are] all the work of skillful [men]. 10 But the LORD [is] the true God; He [is] the living God and the everlasting King. At His wrath the earth will tremble, And the nations will not be able to endure His indignation. - **Jeremiah 10:8-10 NKJV**

26 "For as the Father has life in Himself..." - **John 5:26 NKJV**

57 Then the Jews said to Him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have You seen Abraham?" 58 Jesus said to them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I AM." 59 Then they took up stones to throw at Him; but Jesus hid Himself and went out of the temple, going through the midst of them, and so passed by. - **John 8:57-59 NKJV**

15 He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. 16 For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. 17 And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist. - **Colossians 1:15-17 NKJV**

III. Does it matter that God is self-existent?

If God is not self-existent, then someone else caused God and someone else could terminate God.

We need to repent of our attempts at independence.

Don't be afraid.

20 But Jesus said to them, "It is I (I AM); do not be afraid." - **John 6:20 AMP**

Worship God.

He is independent and the source of all we see and know.

Church Activities

SUNDAY, May 29

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
11:00 a.m. International Fellowship
5:30 p.m. LEAP Dinner

MONDAY, May 30 – Memorial Day (Office Closed)

SATURDAY, June 4

10:00 a.m. Pray and Go
6:00 p.m. "Planning for the Future" Dinner

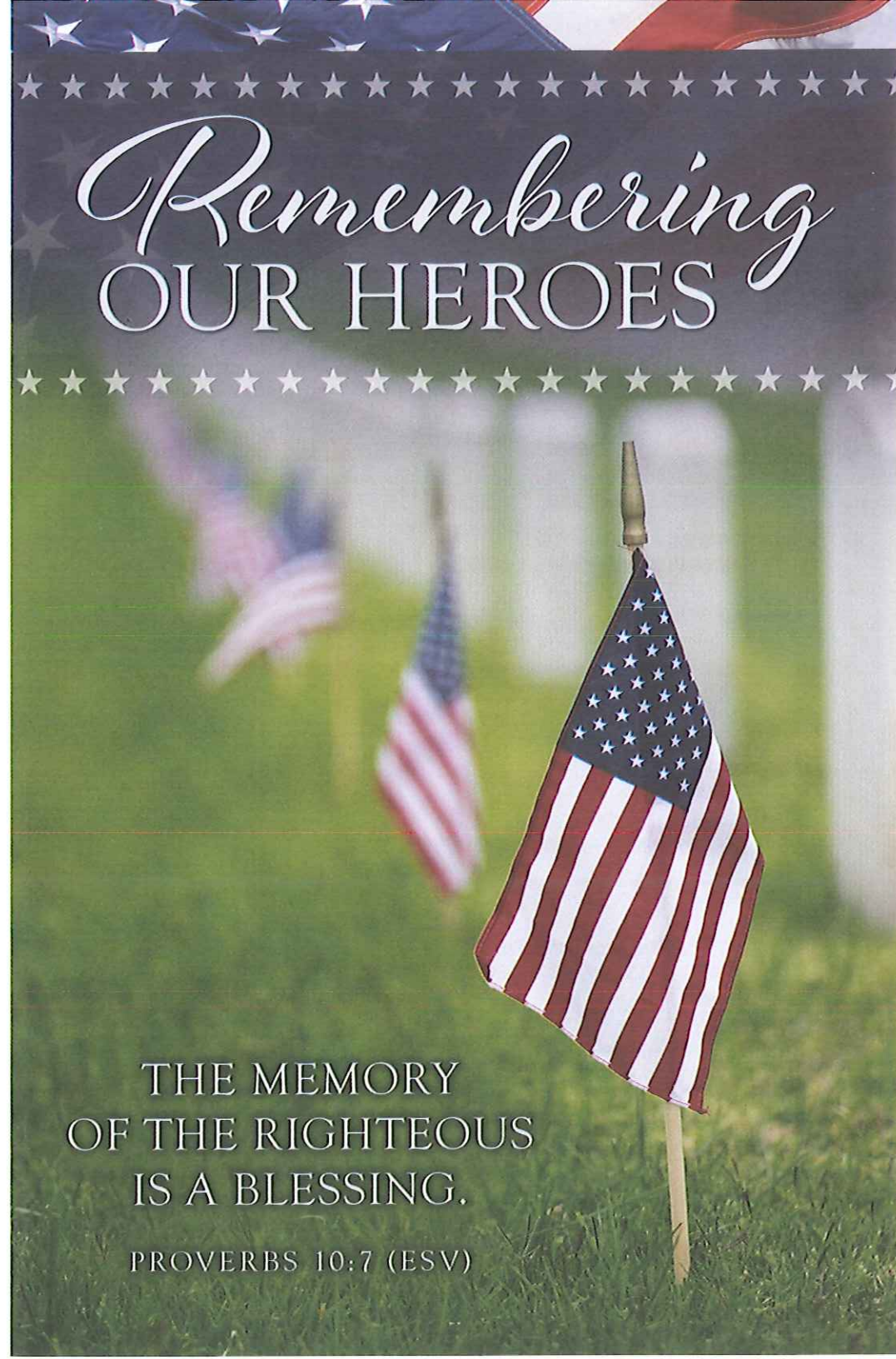
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THE MEMORY
OF THE RIGHTEOUS
IS A BLESSING.

PROVERBS 10:7 (ESV)

Morning Worship

Fifth Sunday of May – Memorial Day Weekend

MAY 29, 2022

11:00 a.m.

*For just as the Father has life in Himself, even so He gave to the Son also to have life in Himself.
John 5:26*

Prelude Anne Wilkinson
Welcome..... Rev. Ian McManamey
Congregational Praise
Across the Lands Congregation
Opening Prayer Vye Esposito
Congregational Praise
Great Is Thy Faithfulness (#139)
I Want to Be Like Jesus (#550)..... Congregation
Time of Giving Prayer..... David Edwards
Congregational Praise
Singspiration – Fifth Sunday Hymn Sing..... Congregation
Message Rev. Ian McManamey

“Knowing the Father – God Is Self-Existent”
Exodus 3: 1-16 (page 90 in the pew Bible)

Invitation
Jesus Loves Even Me (#495)..... Congregation
Closing Prayer Rev. Mark Simpson
Postlude..... Anne Wilkinson

Evening Bible Study

Fifth Sunday of May – Memorial Day Weekend

MAY 29, 2022

6:00 p.m.

In observance of the Memorial Day Holiday, there will be no Adult or Youth Bible Study tonight. We wish you a safe and happy Memorial Day!

Announcements:

We wish **Rev. Todd Greve** all the best as he leaves Chestnut Hill after this morning's service. It has been an enjoyable seven years of music ministry – we appreciate him! Thank you for your ministry, Pastor Todd.

Saturday, June 4, at 6 pm, we will be holding our “**Planning for the Future**” dinner here. It will be a potluck; please plan to bring a dish and enjoy the fellowship and discussion of ideas for Chestnut Hill's future.

Come join in as Chestnut Hill members go out into the neighborhoods in our community on a monthly prayer walk. **Pray and Go** is scheduled for **this Saturday at 10 a.m.**

We are pleased that **Tori McKinney** will join us at Worship on **June 5** to talk about what she will be doing on mission in Mongolia!

Offertory Prayer

May 29 – David Edwards
June 5 – George Barth



Across The Lands

Verse 1

You're the Word of God the Father
From before the world began
Ev'ry star and ev'ry planet
Has been fashioned by Your hand
All creation holds together
By the power of Your voice
Let the skies declare Your glory
Let the land and seas rejoice

Chorus

You're the author of creation
You're the Lord of ev'ry man
And Your cry of love rings out
Across the lands

Verse 2

Yet You left the gaze of angels
Came to seek and save the lost
And exchanged the joy of heaven
For the anguish of a cross
With a prayer You fed the hungry
With a word You stilled the sea
Yet how silently You suffered
That the guilty may go free

Verse 3

With a shout You rose victorious
Wresting victory from the grave
And ascended into heaven
Leading captives in Your wake
Now You stand before the Father
Interceding for Your own
From each tribe and tongue and nation
You are leading sinners home

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Chorus

Great is Thy faithfulness
Great is Thy faithfulness
Morning by morning
New mercies I see
All I have needed
Thy hand hath provided
Great is Thy faithfulness
Lord unto me

Verse 1

Great is Thy faithfulness
O God my Father
There is no shadow
Of turning with Thee
Thou changest not
Thy compassions they fail not
As Thou hast been
Thou forever wilt be

Verse 3

Pardon for sin
And a peace that endureth
Thy own dear presence
To cheer and to guide
Strength for today
And bright hope for tomorrow
Blessings all mine
With ten thousand beside

I Want To Be Like Jesus

Verse 1

I have one deep supreme desire
That I may be like Jesus
To this I fervently aspire
That I may be like Jesus
I want my heart His throne to be
So that a watching world may see
His likeness shining forth in me
I want to be like Jesus

Verse 2

He spent His life in doing good
I want to be like Jesus
In lowly paths of service trod
I want to be like Jesus
He sympathized with hearts distressed
He spoke the words that cheered and blessed
He welcomed sinners to His breast
I want to be like Jesus

Verse 3

A holy harmless life He led
I want to be like Jesus
The Father's will His drink and bread
I want to be like Jesus
And when at last He comes to die
Forgive them Father hear Him cry
For those who taunt and crucify
I want to be like Jesus

Verse 4

O perfect life of Christ my Lord
I want to be like Jesus
My recompense and my reward
That I may be like Jesus
His Spirit fill my hung'ring soul
His power all my life control
My deepest prayer my highest goal
That I may be like Jesus

Jesus Loves Even Me

Chorus

I am so glad that Jesus loves me
Jesus loves me
Jesus loves me
I am so glad that Jesus loves me
Jesus loves even me

Verse 1

I am so glad that our Father in heaven
Tells of His love in the book He has giv'n
Wonderful things in the Bible I see
This is the dearest that Jesus loves me

Verse 3

Oh if there's only one song I can sing
When in His beauty I see the great King
This shall my song in eternity be
Oh what a wonder that Jesus love me



**POTLUCK
DINNER
&
PLANNING
MEETING**

Saturday, June 4, 6 p.m.

CHESTNUT HILL BAPTIST CHURCH PRAYER CONCERNS
May 26, 2022

IN THE HOSPITAL

Edna Puckette, LGH, Room N330

AT HOME

Carol Deans
Jean Brown
Patrick Parnell
Ken Bush
Sylvia Clements
David St. John
Malcolm Gowell
Kelly Parnell
Tim Saxon
Edna Puckette
Ray Simms

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Joyce Myers, 102 David Ridge Rd., Galax, VA 24333
Frank Harris, Runk & Pratt Pearls of Life, rm#11, 107 Monica Blvd., 24502

SPECIAL PRAYER CONCERNS

Wayne Figg, nephew of Delores Figg in Richmond, adrenal cancer
Aleta Robertson's daughter, Candis Grishaw
Reggie Akers, heart/health issues
Michael Bomar, emphysema
Bettie Almond, health issues
Phil Davis, Jean Gilliam's brother, cancer
Steve Conley, Joyce Myers' son, cancer
Carolyn Smith, breast cancer and heart issues
Frank Knight, in memory care center
Bobby Moyer, Debbie Montgomery's brother, heart issues
Edna Puckette's brother, Lloyd Jones, health issues
Ann Reynolds, Elizabeth Johnson's daughter, cancer
Ida Wright, health issues
Courtney Middleton, health concerns
David St. John, mass on kidney
Pastor Ian McManamey, utilizing cochlear implant
Sherry "Penny" Martin, Jean Deaner's niece, recent stroke
June Coffey, blockage in carotid artery causing reduced vision in right eye
Macon Clements, wound therapy for knee
Trustyn Love, youth, healing from foot surgery
John "Rocky" Ruffin, friend of Barnes family, diagnosed w/ throat cancer
Laura Simpson, health concerns
Jerry Zengler, George Barth's brother-in-law, complications after heart surgery
Edith Barley, Butch Barley's mother, heart issues
Chelaine Carlton, Ken and Melody's daughter in law, recovering from lower back surgery
Mary St. John, kidney issues
Cindy Hammond, Melody Carlton's sister, at Lynchburg Health & Rehab
Ronnie Parker, knee replacement surgery 4/7
Ken Carlton, pinched nerve causing leg pain
Amanda Pitts, Nora Saunders' granddaughter, surgery at UVA 4/14
Betty Burton, Nancy Barnes' aunt, brain tumor
Manie Wilkinson, Ben Wilkinson's mother, broken femur after a fall
Suzanne Montgomery, surgery to repair broken elbow, health issues
David Johnson, recuperating from fall

Prayer for salvation request list:

Christy Brian
D. and L. John

S.C. and J.C.

L.
C.G.
M. G.

To join our conference call prayer meeting at 6:15 on
Wednesday evenings, call: (351) 999-4569

Prayer Requests from our neighbors:

Ms. Delphia – Her brother-in-law Renaldo Lynch has cancer. She also struggles with chronic pain in her legs.

Mildred Jones – Asked for prayer for her children Delina, Anthony, and Herman Jones. She also asked for prayer to stop smoking.

Chris Stamp – He was thankful to have gotten his driver's license back and he also asked for prayer to stop smoking.

June	1	Psalms 119:89-176
	2	Song of Solomon 1-8
	3	Proverbs 1-3
	4	Proverbs 4-6
	5	Proverbs 7-9
	6	Proverbs 10-12
	7	Proverbs 13-15
	8	Proverbs 16-18
	9	Proverbs 19-21
	10	Proverbs 22-24
	11	1 Kings 5-6; 2 Chronicles 2-3
	12	1 Kings 7; 2 Chronicles 4
	13	1 Kings 8; 2 Chronicles 5
	14	2 Chronicles 6-7; Psalm 136
	15	Psalms 134, 146-150
	16	1 Kings 9; 2 Chronicles 8
	17	Proverbs 25-26
	18	Proverbs 27-29
	19	Ecclesiastes 1-6
	20	Ecclesiastes 7-12
	21	1 Kings 10-11; 2 Chronicles 9
	22	Proverbs 30-31
	23	1 Kings 12-14
	24	2 Chronicles 10-12
	25	1 Kings 15:1-24; 2 Chronicles 13-16
	26	1 Kings 15:25-34; 1 Kings 16:1-34; 2 Chronicles 17
	27	1 Kings 17-19
	28	1 Kings 20-21
	29	1 Kings 22; 2 Chronicles 18
	30	2 Chronicles 19-23

Remember your father on Father's Day; "Honor your father....," and, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." (Matthew 19:19) (NKJV)

THE ROMANS ROAD TO SALVATION

Is anyone perfect?

*As it is written, There is none righteous, no not one. (Romans 3:10)

*This means no one is perfect

Is there any exception?

*For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God. (Romans 3:23)

*None of us meet God's holy standards.

Where did sin come from?

*Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin, and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned. (Romans 5:12)

*Adam, the first person created by God, sinned and passed sin on to every human being.

What do we deserve for our sins?

*For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. (Romans 6:23)

Who paid the price?

*God commandeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. (Romans 5: 8)

*Instead of us dying, Jesus died in our place in order to give us life.

What is the way out?

*That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth, the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart God hath raised him from the dead thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the scripture saith, whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed. (Romans 10:9-10)

*For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

(Romans 10:13)

*Jesus is the only way out.

How can I get out?

By Salvation, which is as simple as A...B...C:

***A - Admit you are a sinner**

***B- Believe in your heart that Jesus died and rose from the dead**

***C - Confess with your mouth that God raised Jesus from the dead, and that you accept Jesus Christ as the lord of your life.**

And simply pray this prayer:

"Father, I know that I have broken your laws and my sins have separated me from you. I am truly sorry, and now I want to turn away from my past sinful life and turn toward you. Please forgive me, and help me avoid sinning again. I believe that your son, Jesus Christ, died for my sins, was resurrected from the dead, is alive and hears my prayer. I invite Jesus to become the Lord of my life, to rule and reign in my heart from this day forward. Please send your Holy Spirit to help me obey You, and do your will for the rest of my life. In Jesus' name I pray, Amen."