

we may boldly say, The Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me.”—Hebrews 13:5–6

⑥ Act on the faith that God will take better care of His children than the best of human parents can care for their children.

“Like as a father pitith his children, so the LORD pitith them that fear him.”

—Psalm 103:13.

“I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread.”

—Psalm 37:25

Right now—as urgently as we would call out for the lifeguard if we were drowning—we should ask Jesus to be our Savior and Lord.

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

—Romans 10:13.

If you have trusted Christ as your Savior, this advice will help you become a strong Christian:

1. **Follow** Jesus Christ by studying and obeying the Bible, I Peter 2:2.
2. **Pray** for guidance, protection, and for power to be obedient, Philippians 4:6–7.
3. **Go** to an active, Bible teaching church on Sundays to worship and serve God with other Christians, Hebrews 10:25, Acts 2: 1–47.
4. **Tell** others every day about Jesus and His wonderful gift of eternal salvation, Acts 2:47.

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need is to . . .**

① Know how to pray so we know for sure God is listening.

*"We know that God **heareth** not sinners: but if any man be a worshipper of God, and doeth his will, him he **heareth**."* –John 9:31

First thing, **God's will** is that you be saved from the penalty and power of sin. "**God our Saviour . . . will** (wills to; wants to) have all men to **be saved**, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth." –I Timothy 2:3-4 "The Lord is . . . not willing that any should perish, but that **all** should **come** to repentance." –2 Peter 3:9

Then, "If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall **ask** what ye will, and **it shall be done** unto you." –John 15:7.

Simply listen to God, and God will listen to you.

② Put ourselves in “protective custody” of the one and only Almighty God.

*"He that dwelleth in the **secret place** of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the **Almighty**. I will say of the LORD, He is my refuge and **my fortress**: my God; in him will I trust." –Psalm 91:1-2*

③ Get prepared to meet God on judgment day in case today is our last day on earth.

"It is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment." –Hebrews 9:27.

But because "God commendeth [showed] his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, **Christ died for us.**"

-Romans 5:8

"There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus." –Romans 8:1.

*"For I delivered unto you **first** of all that which I also received, how that Christ **died for our sins** according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that **he rose again** the third day according to the scriptures."* –I Corinthians 15: 1-4

*"For the wages of sin is **death**; but the gift of God is **eternal life** through Jesus Christ our Lord."* –Romans 6:23.

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Please ask Him right now to forgive you and deliver you from the punishment you deserve for all your sins.

④ Understand God's plan for us here and now on earth and follow His leadership.

*"He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and **what doth the LORD require of thee**, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?"*

-Micah 6:8

*"Thou art worthy, O Lord,
to receive glory and honour
and power: for thou hast
created all things, and **for thy**
pleasure they are and were
created." – Revelation 4:11*

*"If ye know these things,
happy are ye if ye do them."*

5 Face each day with the peace, confidence, and optimism that God's presence and favor will give us.

"Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, **I will never leave thee**, nor forsake thee. So that